



WEEKLY NEWS



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Safeguarding

As many of you will be aware, there has been a lot of attention in the news and on social media about a certain character and a 'challenge'. Children as young as Year 1 have been talking about this in school. A Parent Hub message was sent out along with an online safety guide to everybody from Year 1 upwards. Please take the time to read this.

As always, if you feel you need to talk to someone about safeguarding or have any concerns regarding a child then please contact school and ask to speak to Mrs McClean, Mrs Wood, Mrs Somerville or Mr Swift.

Side Gate (in between the two buildings)

Every morning at 8:45, Year 3 staff come and open the side gates in order to allow Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Year 3 children to access their classrooms. Before they have even opened the gates, children are charging forward followed closely by adults. Please make sure your children wait until the gates have been fully opened before letting them go to class.

Grass Banking

The children have been spoken to this week about the grass banking between school and the playgrounds. They have been asked not to go on this after school and to use the steps/slope instead. Please ensure your children follow this rule.

Comic Relief

We will be celebrating Comic Relief in school on Friday 15th March. Children can come to school in non-uniform (ideally with something red but this is not essential). We have decided to keep it simple as we are aware many of you will have spent money on costumes for World Book Day. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £1 to support this excellent cause.

Wakefield Hospice Mascot

We had a lovely visit from Treacle, the Wakefield Hospice Mascot yesterday. She ran around the running track with the children to promote the Wakefield Hospice Mini Fun Run on Sunday 24th March. The run takes place at Thornes Park after the Wakefield 10k run and will start at approximately 11am. The event is open to everyone and Wakefield Hospice would appreciate support from the community.

Important Upcoming Dates

Date	Event
06/03/19	PTA Event – Butties, Books & Brew
07/03/19	World Book Day
15/03/19	Comic Relief (non-uniform)
21/03/19	1:2CS Class Assembly
25/03/19	Class Photos
27/03/19-29/03/19	Boggle Hole Residential – Year 4
28/03/19	1:2M Class Assembly
03/04/19	Easter Service 2pm Church

After School Clubs

KS1 Singing Tuesdays 15:15 – 16:15
Dodgeball Club 4th March
Netball Training 5th, 12th March
Boccia Training 14th, 19th, 26th March
Tennis Club 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th March, 3rd, 24th April, 1st, 8th May
Golf Club 25th March, 1st, 23rd, 29th April, 7th, 13th, 20th May, 10th June

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World Book Day

The school will be participating in WORLD BOOK day on Thursday 7th March. Children may come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book.

We will also be celebrating throughout the day in a range of exciting activities, and a special pantomime themed assembly.

At the end of the day, the children will be given a World Book Day token which can be exchanged for a book at many book shops or can be used to get money off any book, a great excuse to read something new!

For more ideas, why not visit the World Book Day Website? There's also a website where free children's books can be downloaded.

<http://www.worldbookday.com/>

<https://freekidsbooks.org/?pop=desc>



Parent / Teacher / Consultations

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the parent teacher consultations. Your attendance demonstrates to your child the partnership between home and school. It is a wonderful opportunity for you to check on your child's progress and look at the work they are doing in school. We found it beneficial, and hope you did too.

Butties, Books and Brews

Don't forget the PTA Butties, Books and Brew event for all dads, step-dads, foster dads, grandads, uncles, older brothers and carers on Wednesday 6th March. If you fancy a bacon sandwich, a hot brew and the opportunity to read to the children, please let the school office know you'll be attending.

Are you stopping in the middle of the road?

Please find somewhere safe to pull in and park to let your children out of or into the car. Please don't just stop in the middle of the road and let them out - it's **DANGEROUS**.

Please remember that it is not only your children's lives that you are putting at risk but other people's children as well.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Update

CLASS	LAST WEEK OF TERM	YEAR TO DATE
NURSERY	90.77	95.62
RH	97.73	96.48
R:1W	98.33	96.44
1:2M	95.36	97.43
1:2CS	93.57	97.13
3HM	97.22	96.55
4I	94.32	96.74
5S	95.56	96.93
6W	96.76	96.13

CONGRATULATIONS TO R1W FOR ACHIEVING 98.33% THE LAST WEEK OF TERM, WELL DONE!

Attendance Indicators

98% + WELL ABOVE THE SCHOOL TARGET – OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE

96% + AT OR ABOVE SCHOOL TARGET

BELOW 94% - CAUSING CONCERN AND LESS CHANCE OF PROGRESS

90% & BELOW – PERSISTENT ABSENCE – SERIOUS ATTENDANCE CONCERN

WHOLE SCHOOL Target = 96%

Last Week Of Term – 95.81%

Year to Date – 96.66%

Punctuality

10 children arrived late for school the last week of term. They missed a total of **1 hour and 23 minutes** of learning time!