



WEEKLY NEWS



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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope you all had a lovely, peaceful Christmas and New Year. The staff would like to thank you for the cards, gifts and good wishes received – they were very much appreciated.

Ofsted

As you are aware our Ofsted report was published this week. Although the inspection happened in November, we were unable to publish the report until we had received permission from Ofsted, which was received by school on Monday. It has been brought to my attention that some parents/carers thought that we hadn't published it sooner because we didn't want to – this is definitely not the case!

Mathletics

ALL children from Year 1 upwards have access to Mathletics – the online Maths programme that can be completed at home. Key Stage 1 children had their username and password stuck in the front of their Reading Record books at the beginning of the school year. If, for whatever reason, this is not the case, please speak to Mrs Somerville who will make sure you are given a copy of this.

Brass Lessons

Before the holidays, we were treated to a musical extravaganza by members of Wakefield Music Services. The performance was amazing! We do have spaces for children in Key Stage 2 to learn a brass instrument. If you are interested in this then please contact the School Office.

Attendance

In Autumn Term, 169 children had attendance that was 97% or better, 79 of which had 100% attendance. All these children received a certificate for this excellent attendance. Overall, attendance is improving, something that was acknowledged by Ofsted. There are still however a large number of families taking children out of school for term-time holidays. Because of this, and after receiving information from the Education Welfare Service, Governors have taken the decision to issue penalty notices for those taking children out for holidays. More information about this will be sent out shortly.

Safeguarding

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.

Important Upcoming Dates

| Date | Event |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 07/02/19 | 6W Class Assembly |
| 13/02/19 | 3HM Class Assembly |
| 13/02/19 | Parents' Evening |
| 14/02/19 | DT Themed Day |
| 06/03/19 | PTA Event – Books Butties & Brew |
| 07/03/19 | World Book Day |
| 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

Netball 16th, 23rd & 30th Jan

Hockey Club 14th, 21st, 28th Jan, 4th, 11th Feb

Boccia Club 17th, 24th and 31st January

Dodgeball Club 15th, 29th January, 6th, 13th, 27th Feb

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Mad Hatter's Tea Party lunch – Thursday 17th January



A reminder that children who have sandwiches have been invited to join us for the Mad Hatter's Tea Party lunch. Reply slips should have been returned by today. All children are invited to wear their favourite hat at lunchtime.

Year 4 Residential Trip - Boggle Hole

The deadline is approaching for the final balance of Year 4's residential visit to be paid. All monies must be with the school office by Friday 25th January.

Junior Parkrun

This week we sent out a letter regarding participation in the Junior Parkrun competition for schools. If you did not receive this letter and think that it would be something that you and your child may be interested in, please contact the office so that they can send a copy of the letter home for you.

Full Time School Applications

If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 they will be due to start school in September 2019. You should have received a form from the Local Authority. You must return the form to the Local Authority before the 15th January 2019.

If you did not receive an application pack call 01924 306052 or download an application form at www.admissions@wakefield.gov.uk.

Want to improve your Maths, English or computer skills?

Wakefield Adult Education Service has FREE English and maths courses starting soon. Call 01924 303302 now to book a place or email manygates@wakefield.gov.uk

**** STAFF Car Park ****

A reminder that the staff car park is for STAFF ONLY and not to be used by parents/carers dropping off or picking up children. The exception to this is for parents/carers picking up from St Paul's United on an evening.



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Update

| CLASS | LAST WEEK OF TERM | YEAR TO DATE |
|---------|-------------------|--------------|
| NURSERY | 95.56 | 96.06 |
| RH | 93.64 | 96.46 |
| R:1W | 93.00 | 96.18 |
| 1:2M | 98.93 | 98.02 |
| 1:2CS | 95.32 | 96.97 |
| 3HM | 94.17 | 96.02 |
| 4I | 96.49 | 96.47 |
| 5S | 98.61 | 97.17 |
| 6W | 92.93 | 96.28 |

CONGRATULATIONS TO 5S FOR THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK OF TERM WITH 98.61%.

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 – 95.43%

Year to Date – 96.64%

Punctuality

33 children arrived late for school last week of term. They missed a total of 9 hours and 8 minutes of learning time!