



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

### Curriculum

Last week, the children found out which topic they will be learning about in school this term. Each class has a theme linked to the geography curriculum. I have already been impressed by how much the children enjoy learning about a different part of the world. You will find the new curriculum plans under the “Curriculum” section of the school website.

### Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Well done to year 3 for having an attendance of more than 99%! Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

| Upper Foundation | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Whole School |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| 85.3%            | 90.5%  | 85.4%  | 99.2%  | 97.1%  | 92.1%  | 86.2%  | 90.8%        |

### Word of the Month

We must allow our children to learn and use new words. Each month, the children are introduced to a special word. Below, you will find the word of the month for each class in January:

- Year 1 - typhoon
- Year 2 - overhead
- Year 3 - relinquish
- Year 4 - indignant
- Year 5 - inexplicable
- Year 6 - conscientious

We hope that our children can soon tell each other what the word means, use it correctly in their work and spell it correctly in their writing. Please encourage your child to use the word of the month at home.

### Special Mentions

Well done to all the children who received certificates and positive leaves in our first achievements assembly of the term. Like last term, we will be putting the leaves on our rainbow tree in the school reception.

### Dates for Your Diary

Below are the upcoming dates for the spring term. Further details about these events will be sent out nearer the time.

|                                      |                                    |
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| Year 6 SATS information for parents  | Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January  |
| Year 2 visit to Pontefract Castle    | Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> January    |
| Lower Key Stage 2 INSPIRE morning    | Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> January    |
| Foundation Stage INSPIRE morning     | Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January   |
| Year 3 visit to Hepworth Art Gallery | Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January   |
| Year 3 visit to Trinity Walk         | Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January |
| Key Stage 1 INSPIRE morning          | Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January  |
| Upper Key Stage 2 INSPIRE morning    | Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January    |
| Governors' meeting                   | Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February    |
| Year 2 visit to Renewi               | Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> February  |
| Year 5 Brazil Workshop               | Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February   |
| Parents' evening                     | Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March       |
| Parents' evening                     | Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March      |
| World Book Day                       | Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March     |
| Year 6 visit to The Deep             | Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March    |
| Year 1 visit to Abbey House Museum   | Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March      |
| Upper Foundation Stage Superhero Day | Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March      |
| Waterton's Got Talent                | Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March    |
| Key Stage 1 Mother's Day Assembly    | Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March      |

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher