



**THE ROOKERIES  
CARLETON**

JUNIOR, INFANT  
& NURSERY SCHOOL

## **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021**

Dear Parents / Carers

...and just like that our first half term is at an end. It has been an action packed start to the academic year with lots of exciting events that have gone on in and out of school. This half term has seen Year 4 start swimming sessions at the local pool in Featherstone; all three KS1 classes go out on their first school trip of the year; parent visitors coming into school to share their experiences; pupils competing in PAT games; parent workshops to support learning at home; and parents coming into school for class celebrations to share in their children's learning experiences.

Thank you to all those parents who were able to come into school and share in these. All your kind comments about the events were gratefully received. Your support for the school is very much appreciated. For those who were unable to attend, please be comforted that this is only the start, throughout the year there will be many more opportunities as the school strives to fulfil its goal of wanting every pupil at the Rookeries to flourish and achieve.

Over the half term, there might not be any pupils in school but there will definitely be things happening on site. Our school hall will be receiving a much needed redecoration as the Trust continues to support the school in its development. I look forward to bringing you further updates over the coming weeks to share all the new and exciting additions in and around school.

I hope you all have a lovely half term and I look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 1 November.

Kind Regards,

**Richard Grogan**  
**Headteacher**



Follow us on twitter to see what the children are up to on a daily basis!

**Tempest Photography School  
Photographs**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

Please make sure children are wearing the correct uniform, looking smart ready for school photographs on Tuesday when we return to school.

## Pupil of the Week



Class	Pupil of the week
Nursery	Zachary W
Reception – Julia Donaldson	Jackson B
Class 1 – Oliver Jeffers	Liberty
Class 1/2 – Rachel Bright	Noah
Class 2 – Anthony Browne	Alfie D
Class 3 – David Walliams	Lyra
Class 3/4 -Cressida Cowell	Lilly M
Class 4 – Valerie Bloom	Milo R
Class 5 – Charlie Mackesy	Harry E
Class 6 – Maya Angelou	River

## Attendance

Class	Attendance This Week	Attendance This half term so far
Nursery	90.2%	92%
Reception	99.1%	97%
Year 1	94.8%	93.5%
Year 1/2	96.6%	97.3%
Year 2	92.3%	96.2%
Year 3	96.4%	94.7%
Year 3/4	97.3%	97%
Year 4	99.3%	97.5%
Year 5	96.5%	96.4%
Year 6	90.2%	92.9%

Attendance this week  
overall – 95.4%

Attendance this year  
overall – 95.7%

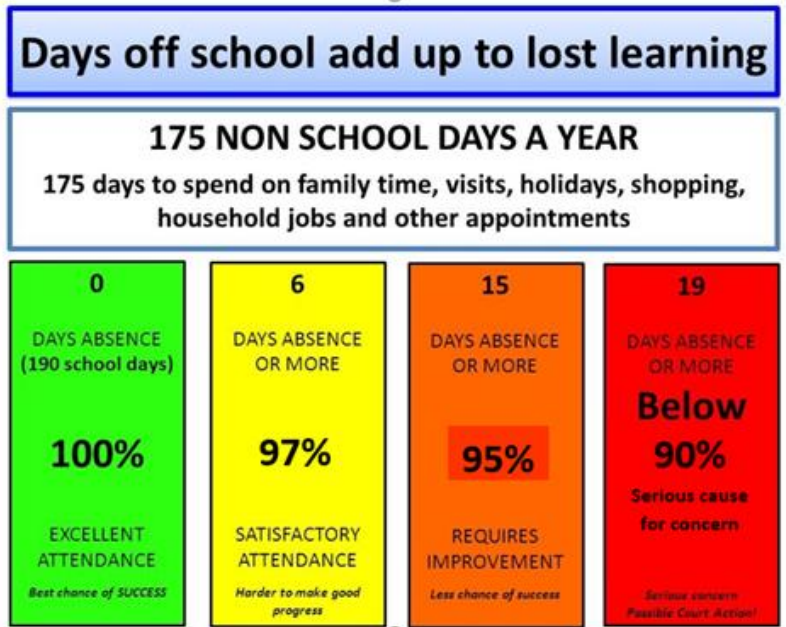
### Half term attendance update:

This half term has been very poor attendance wise with 177 sessions of learning lost due to holidays, 56 unauthorised absences and a further 18 sessions lost to medical appointments.

Lost learning time is very hard for children to catch up and impacts not only on their attainment now but also in the future.

All medical appointments without evidence will be unauthorised and all unauthorised absences are accumulative and may result in a penalty notice being issued.

Please ensure your children attend school every day, as every day matters.



### Sleep and Anxiety Clinic

Just a reminder Future in Mind will be holding a sleep and anxiety drop-in session on November the 22nd. If you have any worries about your child's anxiety or sleep, our practitioner will be available from 9:00 a.m. for advice and guidance.

## Office Updates



### Parking outside of school

Please do not park on the yellow zig zag lines outside of school. Parking here is in breach of the highway code and is a serious risk to the safety of our children. Please remember to park responsibly and where possible walk to school.

### Keeping pavements clear

Please can we also be mindful not to block paths outside school. It is important to keep pathways clear to enable children access. Children should not be walking on the road or kerbside to pass by.

### Car Park

Please be aware that the car park outside school is for Staff use only and must not be used as a drop off and pick up point. This is to ensure the safety of our children. There are a limited number of spaces in the car park for taxi's for those children who require transportation and for blue badge holders. Please be considerate of these requirements and where possible we ask that pupils walk to school. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Music Lesson - Timetable

Please make sure you send your child with their instrument on the below days:

Strings – Tuesday  
Guitar - Wednesday  
Keyboard - Wednesday  
Brass - Wednesday  
Woodwind – Wednesday

### Phonics Training

Here is a link for parents to use for Phonics Training online.

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/parents-copy-2/>

### Breakfast Club – MCAS booking

Breakfast club is extremely popular this year. We are only allowed to have a **limited number** of children.

Places **must therefore be booked through the MCAS app** – this can be done through the “wraparound care” option. **We can only allow children to attend if places are booked.**

## [Poppies made from Plastic Bottles Activity for the town hall display](#)

Pontefract Civic Society are asking pupils to make poppies out of plastic bottles for the display at Pontefract Town Hall for Remembrance Day. The poppies are made from the base of plastic bottles, instructions can be found on how to make these on the YouTube video below:

<https://youtu.be/ILPiavqj7mQ>

We would appreciate if your child could make a poppy over half term. **Poppies will be collected on Tuesday after half term** and be added to the display!



## [For more activities over half term...](#)

Take a look at <https://wakefield.mumbler.co.uk/school-holidays/october-half-term/>

There are lots of events and activities here including many free ones such as...

-  Days out, events & Halloween
-  Childcare & holiday clubs
-  WordFest – events for families & children
-  Pumpkin patches
-  10 free & low cost activities
-  5 not so spooky days out
-  Autumn scavenger hunt
-  11 fun things to do with pumpkins
-  10 activities to do with conkers



## Next Week's Dinner Menu....

'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Veggie Meatballs with a Mediterranean Tomato Sauce & Fluffy Cous Cous	Traditional Toad in the Hole with Gravy	Roast of the Day Turkey with Stuffing & Gravy	Rich & Rustic Lamb & Root Vegetable Hotpot	Classic Friday Fish & Chips with Tomato Sauce
Wholemeal Margherita Pizza with a half portion of Baby Baked Potatoes	Autumn Vegetable & Wholewheat Tortilla 'Lasagne'	Quorn Roast with Stuffing, & Gravy	Creamy baked macaroni cheese	Mozzarella & Fresh Tomato Melt with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Mixed Vegetables Garden Salad	Green Beans Cauliflower	Wok Bashed Vegetables Carrots	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans				
Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna
Chocolate Shortbread with Apple Smiles	Carrot Cake Cookie	Peach Shortcake Bar & Custard	Watermelon & Pineapple Slices	Lemon & Courgette Slice

## Dates for your diary

<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October</b>	Break up for half term
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	Children return to school
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	Tempest Photography School Photographs
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Class cinema trip – class 3 and 3/4 – <i>Early Mann at Xscape</i>
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Class cinema trip – class 5 & 6 – Abominable at Cineworld Wakefield
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Class cinema trip – class 4 – <i>Addams Family 2 at the Reel</i>
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	KS1 – Wakefield Theatre Trip
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Reception – Wakefield Theatre Trip
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	School finishes for Christmas break
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Inset Day – School Closed

## Government guidance

Please note Government guidance on self-isolation for under 18 year old's has changed:

From 16 August, you will not be required to self-isolate if you are notified you have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 and any of the following apply:

You are below the age of 18 years 6 months

Children and young people aged under 18 years 6 months who usually attend an education or childcare setting and who have been identified as a close contact should continue to attend the setting as normal. They do not need to wear a face covering within the setting, but it is expected and recommended that these are worn when travelling on public or dedicated transport.

Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms or a positive test result should stay at home and self-isolate immediately. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you should arrange to have a PCR test as soon as possible and inform school. School will then need proof of your result, either positive or negative.

**The most important symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of any of the following:**

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)



Netflix offers a massive variety of TV shows and movies. Users can stream old favourites or watch brand new original content.

If this is your streaming platform of choice, check out our step by step instructions for setting up parental controls below.

Follow these instructions to set maturity levels on separate profiles:

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- From your web browser, go to your **Account** profile.
- Select **Profile & Parental Controls** for the profile you want to manage.
- Select **Viewing Restriction** and change the setting.
- Enter your Netflix password.
- Set the maturity level for the TV shows and movies you want to allow in that profile.
- Don't forget to hit **Save**.

Learn how to create a profile for younger children:

- Go to **Manage Profile**.
- Select **Add Profile**.
- Make sure to name your profile & select **Kids** to use the 'Kids Experience'.
- Select **Continue**.



Add a PIN code to a viewing account by following these instructions

- From your web browser, go to your **Account** profile.
- Select **Profile & Parental Controls** for the profile you want to lock.
- Change the **Profile Lock** setting.
- Enter your Netflix password.
- Select the option **Require a PIN**.
- Enter your four digit PIN code to create your profile lock.
- Select **Submit**.



Turn off Auto-Play on your Netflix Account

- From your web browser, go to your **Account** profile.
- Select **Profile & Parental Controls** for the profile you want to manage.
- Select the **Playback Settings**.
- Make sure you **deselect Autoplay next episode in a series on all devices**.





# Born and Bred in Wakefield

## Priority Setting Workshop

16 November 2021, 10AM – 12PM, via Zoom



Born and Bred in Wakefield (BaBi Wakefield) is a new project which links routinely collected data to inform research projects, to learn more about how local families can live healthier, happier lives.

This exciting new initiative aims to link existing data across health, education and social care, creating a picture of families' lives over time. Women are asked during their pregnancy for their permission to access and use information that is routinely collected about themselves and their child for research purposes. This is called an electronic birth cohort study.

The concept was originally set up in Bradford, as Born in Bradford (BiB). Now called BiB4ALL, it has grown to be embedded into regular care. It has shown that it is possible to link data from maternity, health visiting, GP, social care and education services. Once connected, the data will be used by researchers, in collaboration with local services and commissioners, to help improve health, care and services through research and planning. [This video explains how it works.](#)

The aim is to create a series of BaBi cohorts across the country, each providing health intelligence which can help shape local services. The data can also be brought together as one, to help answer research questions nationally. BaBi cohorts are currently being established in Doncaster, East London, Leeds and Nottingham, as well as Wakefield and Bradford.

### What to expect from the workshop

The aim of this workshop is to bring people together to discuss what is important in Wakefield regarding child health and development, so that we understand local priorities. This will inform the research that is carried out as part of BaBi Wakefield in the future.

People from a variety of backgrounds are being invited to take part, including parents, midwives, health visitors, clinicians, service commissioners and researchers.

The workshop will include a short presentation explaining the study in more detail, with the opportunity to ask questions. There will also be smaller group discussions where you will be asked to consider the health development areas you think the research should prioritise, with people from similar backgrounds (session one) and from different services (session two).

### How to register

To book your place, please email [midyorks.babiwakefield@nhs.net](mailto:midyorks.babiwakefield@nhs.net) by the 9<sup>th</sup> of November 2021. Prior to the session, a link to the Zoom workshop and a more detailed agenda will be shared.

BaBi Wakefield is a collaboration, supported by Wakefield Research Hub, including:

- Conexus GP Confederation
- Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust (MYHT)
- NHS Wakefield Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)
- South West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust (SWYPFT)
- Wakefield Council
- Yorkshire Ambulance Service (YAS)

# Lateral Flow Self-Test Kits

Lateral flow tests are now available for parents / carers to order – please see the links below to support you with this:

<https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>

[Schools, nurseries and colleges testing: order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow home test kits - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)



## Useful Contacts

Useful well-being and mental health information:

For children and young people:

WF- I-CAN

<https://wf-i-can.co.uk/>

Young Minds

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

CAMHS Single point of access

01977 735865

<https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/services/camhs-wakefield>

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## DEAF ZONE

If you are d/Deaf or hard of hearing, we've got lots of advice and support for you in English and British Sign Language (BSL)

### Deaf Zone BSL Video

Deaf Zone

How can we help? First of all, have a look at the videos.

Childline has an advice and support section with British Sign Language and ways to contact childline. Deaf zone | Childline

## Young Minds

Young minds offer a lot of support for both children and also for parents to help their children.

Please visit the Young Minds Parent page on the website to find out more.

[Parents Mental Health Support](#) | [Advice for Your Child](#) | [YoungMinds](#)



For Adults:

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/public-health/mental-health-wellbeing/mental-health-support>

Mind

<https://www.mind.org.uk/turning-point-talking-therapies>

01924 234860

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/public-health/mental-health-wellbeing/mental-health-support>

School Uniform Stockists

Our School Uniform stockists are both still operating and orders can be made for school wear, book bags and PE kits.

[Signature Retail, Ropergate, Pontefract](#)

Signature Retail are operating a click and collect system as well as accepting orders online through their website [www.signatureretail.co.uk](http://www.signatureretail.co.uk)

If you would like to make a purchase via phone, please telephone 01977 600324. Payments can be made over the phone and items can be collected at certain times.

[Better and Bright Schoolwear](#)

Better and Bright Schoolwear are currently taking orders through their website:

[www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk)

Alternatively, you may purchase items by calling 07486 140776 or 07837 078981

**Thank you for your continued cooperation and support**