

#### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

It has been pleasing to see how well the children have settled back into school after the half term break. Our classrooms are once again filled with children fully engaged in learning.

Having reflected over the break, I wanted to share with you the events that will be taking place for the rest of this term. Please find included in this week's newsletter all the dates for the different thing's children will experience in school over the next two months. We have been working hard to ensure we create a balance across school, so all our pupils experience exciting events, including those which parents will be able to share in. Before we break up for Christmas, the events and experiences planned for spring will be shared. This will ensure that as a community you are fully aware of the events taking place in school across the year.

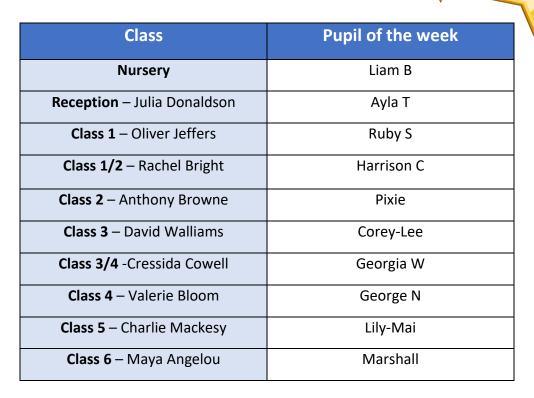
I hope you all enjoy the weekend and I look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday.

Kind regards

Richard Grogan Headteacher



#### **Pupil of the Week**



#### **Attendance**

Class	Attendance This Week	Attendance This half term so far	
Nursery	88.5%	91.5%	
Reception	99.6%	97.4%	
Year 1	95.3%	93.82%	
Year 1/2	97.4%	97.2%	
Year 2	98.8%	96.5%	
Year 3	97.7%	95.1%	
Year 3/4	100%	97.3%	
Year 4	98.9%	97.7%	
Year 5	97.6%	96.6%	
Year 6	90.7%	92.7%	

Attendance this week 97%

Attendance so far this year 95.8%



Attendance was a little bit better this week but we are not hitting the numbers we did last year or near our ideal target of 98%.

Any absence impacts on attainment so for your child to achieve their full potential, it is vitally important that they attend every day.

#### **Sleep/Anxiety Workshop:**

We have had some good interest in the clinic but there is no limit to numbers so please feel free to attend. The workshop is being run on **Monday 22nd November** in the school hall.



#### **Office Updates**

#### Breakfast Club – Places must be booked beforehand

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

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.

To enable registration places must be booked before 4pm the previous day, and for Mondays places must be booked before 4pm on the Friday beforehand.

As always, we appreciate 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





# "Odd Sock Day" – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November

As part of anti-bullying week, to embrace diversity and celebrate our differences, please come to school wearing odd socks.

#### **Children In Need – Friday 19**<sup>th</sup> **November**

To celebrate Children In Need, children can wear Children In Need accessories or t shirts over their school uniform, something yellow or something spotty.

The children will also be doing lots of fun activities to celebrate this day in school!

A link will be made available on the MCAS app for donations.



#### **Poppy Appeal**

There will be an opportunity next week for children to purchase a range of merchandise for the poppy appeal. Cash can be used to purchase these as donations are going straight to the Poppy Appeal.









Silicon wristband - **Suggested** Donation: £1.00

Reflector - Suggested Donation: 50p





Zip pull - Suggested Donation: 50p

Snap band - **Suggested** Donation: £1.50



For this academic year we are delighted to announce that we are supporting The Prince Of Wales Hospice in Pontefract again. Throughout November we are asking each class to fill a bag to help raise much needed funds for the Hospice.

Please remember the Prince of Wales Hospice shops are always in need of donations of your unwanted items, and depend on your generosity and support. An average bag of good quality donations can be worth as much as £30 - enough to fund a home visit to a bereaved relative who doesn't have family support.

#### What do they accept?

- Clothing ladies, men's and children's
- Shoes, handbags and belts
- Household textiles curtains, bedding, tablecloths, towels, scatter cushions, rugs
- Books, CDs, DVDs, computer/console games and vinyl records
- Crockery, cutlery, ornaments, pictures and other household items
- Electrical equipment
- Toys and jigsaws
- Furniture

Please bring any items that you can donate in to school **by 2<sup>nd</sup> December**. Items can be handed in to class teachers.

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

'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wholemeal Margherita Pizza Slice with Jacket Wedges	Classic Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Roast of the Day Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	BBQ Pulled Pork Bun with Wedges	Crispy Fish Cheeseburger with Chips & Tomato Sauc
Thai green vegetable curry with mixed rice and naan Bolognese & Garlic Bread		Quorn Roast with Stuffing & Gravy	Sticky Barbecue Vegetables & Noodles	Crispy Veggie Burger with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Green Beans Sweetcorn	Broccoli Roasted Summer Vegetables	Cauliflower Seasonal Greens	Wok Bashed Vegetables Carrots/Mixed Salad	Baked Beans Garden Peas
	d Jacket Potato with your Ch	oice of Toppings: Tuna & M	ayonnaise, 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
Orange & Banana Traybake	Apple Flapjack	Oaty Raisin Cookies with Watermelon Slice	Watermelon & Pineapple Slices	Chocolate Cookie

## **Dates for your diary**

Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Peter Mata'utia Year 5 and Year 6 Main Hall		
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Class cinema trip – class 3 and 3/4 – Early Mann at Xscape		
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Class cinema trip – class 5 & 6 – Abominable at Cineworld Wakefield		
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Class cinema trip – class 4 – Addams Family 2 at the Reel		
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd Sock Day		
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need		
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Sleep/Anxiety Workshop – Coffee Morning		
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Carol – In school performance		
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Wonder Dome – Year 5 and 6		
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	KS1 – Wakefield Theatre Trip		
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception – Wakefield Theatre Trip		
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch		
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Christmas Nativity		
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	School finishes for Christmas break		
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Inset Day – School Closed		

School Events 2021-22							
Week	Whole School Event	EYFS	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2		
Week 1 1.11.21	Tempest School Photographs						
Week 2 8.11.21	Remembrance Day	Food bank visit		Visit the Cinema (50 Things)	Visit the Cinema (50 Things)  Pete Mata'utia motivational talk		
Week 3 15.11.21	Anti-Bullying Week Children in Need	Make a Trail (50 Things)					
Week 4 22.11.21	Future in Mind Coffee Morning	Maths Parent Workshop		Maths Parent Workshop	Maths Parent Workshop		
Week 5 29.11.21	A Christmas Carol Performance	Local Library visit	Pantomime Visit - signed performance (50 Things)		Planetarium visit		
Week 6 6.12.21	Reindeer fun run (Prince of Wales fundraiser)	Pantomime visit	Nativity performance	Christmas performance	KS2 carol concert		
Week 7 13.12.21	Christmas Jumper Day  Class Christmas Parties  School Christmas Dinner	Nativity performance Class Celebrations	Class Celebrations	Class Celebrations	Class Celebrations		

#### **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)

# November

11th @ 10am & 25th @ 8pm

# Emotions

Emotions are a completely natural part of life. However, there can be periods where we feel that different emotions are ruling the roost in our homes and with our children.

Why is my child reacting this way?
What is causing this out-pouring of emotion?
What triggers the emotions in your child?
What can I do to best support my child?

Book yourself into the November FREE Parenting Clinic where Anisa, a Positive Parenting Coach, will be exploring the answers to these questions.

Join us on zoom.

https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic

or

email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link

# Free Parenting Clinics

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## Netflix

# **NETFLIX**

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

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:

- 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 <u>midvorks.babiwakefield@nhs.net</u> 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)





#### **Useful Contacts**

Useful well-being and mental health information:

For children and young people:

WF- I-CAN

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

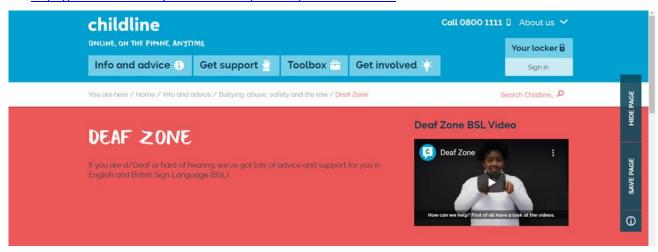
Young Minds

https://youngminds.org.uk/

CAMHS Single point of access

01977 735865

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



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 <a href="https://www.signatureretail.co.uk">www.signatureretail.co.uk</a>

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: <a href="https://www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk">www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk</a>

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

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