



Friday 26th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **CEO, Mr Knox**

This week, we had the pleasure of welcoming **Mr. Knox**, our CEO, to the school. He was incredibly impressed with the children's attitudes and behavior, and he was particularly pleased to see how focused and engaged they were with their learning. Mr. Knox also commented on how wonderful our new learning environment looks. We are so proud of the children for representing our school so brilliantly.

### **One Life: Physical, Social, and Mental Fitness**

We are proud of how the children have adapted to the new school-wide initiative, **One Life**, which is focused on helping children develop their physical, social, and mental fitness. This program is designed to support the whole child, ensuring they have the tools to lead a healthy and balanced life. After the half term, we will begin the next phase of our implementation plan by introducing the One Life lessons in addition to the Morning Routine.

### **A Huge Thank You!**

We want to extend a massive thank you to all the parents and carers who generously gave their time and effort to help us build the new sheds. Your support has made a significant difference. We are also grateful for the plants you've provided for our new quad area.





## **Halloween Disco**

The school council is busy planning a Halloween disco! The council members will be creating and sharing a poster with all the details, including the date, time, and ticket information. Keep an eye out for this poster, as it will be their way of communicating all the fun details with you.

## **Pantomime**

We are all very excited for our visit **Barnsley Civic Centre** to see a pantomime performance of **Sleeping Beauty**.

**Monday 15th December: Year 1, Year 3, and Year 5**

**Tuesday 16th December: Year 2, Year 4, and Year 6**

The cost of the trip is **£18pp** which includes transport, show and a small treat. Payment of the school trip will confirm that consent is given for your child to attend.

All payments for this trip must be made via Arbor by **Friday 17th October**. Please note that we are able to accept cash payments via the school office. Any children who are a recipient of **Free School Meals** receive a 25% discount of the total price (£13.50). If you would like to enquire whether your family is eligible for this, please visit

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>





## **Recognition**

*Congratulations to all of our children who have been recognised this week, we are extremely proud of you! Children are rewarded with Dojo points, Star of the Week certificates, Expectation bands and Recognition Awards!*

*All children who receive a Recognition Award or Expectation Band are invited to have a treat with Mrs Whalley on Friday afternoons. Here are this week's winners...*





## **Harvest Festival Assembly**

We would like to invite all parents and carers to our Year 3 and 4 Harvest Festival Assembly on **Monday 6th October** at **9am** in the school hall. The children have been working hard to prepare songs and poems to share with you all.

As part of our harvest celebration, we **kindly ask that each child brings in a donation of tinned or dried food, which will be collected and given to a local charity.** Your generosity will make a big difference to those in our community who need it most. We look forward to seeing you there to celebrate with us.

## **Reading Raffle**

We hold a Reading Raffle each week to celebrate and encourage our students' reading efforts. To be entered into the weekly raffle, all your child needs to do is read at home at least three times a week and have their reading diary signed by a parent or guardian. Each week, one lucky student from every class will win a brand new book to take home and enjoy! Reading regularly is a key part of your child's learning journey, and we hope this initiative will add a little extra excitement to their reading routine. Thank you for your continued support in helping your child become a confident and enthusiastic reader.

## **Attendance**

At our school, we believe that excellent attendance is key to a child's success. That's why we've set a whole-school attendance target of 97%. To celebrate this effort, any class that achieves 97% or higher in a week earns a star. Once a class has collected nine stars, spelling out the word EXCELLENT, they'll be rewarded with a special attendance party! We also want to recognise individual effort, so at the end of each half term, every child





*who has maintained an attendance of 97% or above will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win the coveted attendance box, filled with fun prizes and treats.*

| <u>Reception</u> | <u>Year 1</u> | <u>Year 2</u> | <u>Year 3</u> | <u>Year 4</u> | <u>Year 5</u> | <u>Year 6</u> |
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| 97.55%           | 94.24%        | 98.83%        | 93.94%        | 99.41%        | 92.01%        | 95.71%        |

*Congratulations **Year 4**, you are this week's winners!!*

*I hope you have a wonderful weekend.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Mrs Whalley*

*Headteacher*

