



Friday 7th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic first week back we've had at school! It's been wonderful to see all the children again after the half-term break.

The children have settled back into school life brilliantly. We've noticed how quickly they've adjusted back into their routines and focus. They have enthusiastically continued with their learning right where they left off before the holidays, which is a real testament to their hard work and preparation.

### **Parents meetings (Maths and SEND)**

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to attend our Maths and SEND Parents Morning this week.

We were absolutely thrilled with the great turnout! We truly hope you enjoyed the opportunity to work alongside your child in the classroom and gain a bit of insight into the methods and approaches we use in their maths lessons. We also hope you found speaking with the WISSENDs team helpful. Your involvement and support are so valuable to us.

### **Anti-bullying Week - a busy week!**

**On Monday**, we will be celebrating Odd Sock day. Odd Sock Day is a fun and meaningful event that marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week in the UK. On this day, people wear mismatched socks to celebrate their individuality and raise awareness about bullying. It encourages the acceptance of differences and promotes kindness and respect.

**On Tuesday**, all children in reception - year 6 need to wear their PE kit. This is due to visitors being in school to complete physical tasks with them - all will be revealed.

**On Friday**, 14th November, children will be encouraged to dress up in line with the Anti-bullying week theme - 'Power of Good'. This is open to interpretation. e.g. Superheroes, Aspirational People, People who help (doctors, police, vets, firefighters), iconic characters (Harry Potter, Glinda) etc.





School council will also be selling buns on **Friday**. Each bun will be 50p or £1. The children will have an opportunity to purchase them within the school day, any remaining will be sold on the playground at the end of the day. We would be extremely grateful if families could bake/ buy and donate buns to raise money for a local good cause - we are still deciding who to give our donation to.

## 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...





## 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 attendance box, filled with fun prizes and treats.

<u>Preschool</u>	<u>Nursery</u>	<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>
62.5%	96.4%	100%	90.7%	99.4%	94.1%	95.5%	98.6%	94.7%

Congratulations Reception, you are this week's winners!!

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Whalley

Headteacher





## Diary Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thursday 13th November	Y3 Inspire afternoon @ 1.30pm <b>KS1 door</b>
Friday 14th November	Y5 Inspire afternoon @ 1.30pm <b>KS1 door</b>
Friday 21st November	Y6 Inspire afternoon @ 1.30pm <b>KS1 door</b>
Thursday 27th November	Christmas Fair @ 3.30pm
Monday 8th December	Preschool & Nursery Christmas Performance @ 10.30am
Tuesday 9th December	KS2 Christmas Performance @ 9am and 2.30pm ( <b>2 x ticket per family</b> ) pay via arbor £2pp
Wednesday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day/ Christmas Dinner Day - order via Arbor
	Reception, Year 1 & 2 Nativity @ 9am and 2pm ( <b>2 x ticket per family</b> ) pay via arbor £2pp
Thursday 11th December	SEND Coffee morning @ 9am @ <b>KS1 door</b>
Monday 15th December	Years 1, 3 & 5 at Barnsley Civic Panto - pay via Arbor
Tuesday 16th December	Years 2, 4 & 6 @ Barnsley Civic Panto - pay via Arbor
Friday 19th December	Christmas Party Day - Children wear party clothes all day
	Children break up for Christmas

**All Christmas performance tickets are available for purchase on Arbor. We will only be selling 90 tickets per performance.**

