



Newsletter – Monday 12th November 2018

Attendance

Week ending 16th
November:

Nursery	98.3%
Reception	99.0%
Class 1	96.3%
Class 2	95.6%
Class 3	95.5%
Class 4	98.7%
Class 5	95.9%
Class 6	99.3%

Overall 97.2%

Attendance Champions:

Class 6

Congratulations.

Our school attendance expectation is 97%.

Well done to everyone who achieved this.

'Please consult the attendance policy on the school website for details of procedures such as fixed penalty notices for holidays in term time.'



Forest Schools

Last week during Forest Schools the children built large shelters using tarpaulin, rope & pegs. Their communication and idea sharing was fantastic, even incorporating other natural materials into their work. Mr. Baker was very impressed.



Computing Inspire Mornings

Last week we held two Inspire Mornings for Class 1 and 2 and Class 3 and 4.

The theme for this terms Inspire Mornings have provided opportunities for children to demonstrate to family members their Computer Science skills and to share how we are using the new technology that we have recently invested in as a school.

Thank you for supporting and helping make these events such a success. We hope that you enjoyed the sessions.

Anti-Bullying Week

Last week was Anti-Bullying week. A range of activities and assemblies took place to raise awareness of this important issue.

World Kindness Day

The children were excellent ambassadors for World Kindness Day last week and it was their challenge to make people smile with kind words and compliments.

As part of celebrating 70 years of the NHS, Year 3 and 4 engaged in a project with Healthwatch Wakefield producing cards which were delivered to staff, residents and patients of local health and care services such as care homes and hospitals with a view to discussing being kind, thinking about the NHS and care, and raising awareness.

Values for Life

This half term in Collective Worship the children will be focusing upon the value of: **Trust**

This week our focus will be: **Belief**

Friendship
Trust

Upcoming Diary Dates:

Week Beginning 19th November – Nursery Inspire Morning
Monday 19th November – Year 5 and 6 Inspire Morning
Tuesday 20th November – Reception Inspire Morning
Wednesday 21st November – Parent Consultation Meetings
Thursday 22nd November – Class 1 Assembly
Tuesday 27th November – Coram House Matinee Performance (Y4+5)
Thursday 29th November – Class 3 Assembly
Thursday 29th November – Pantomime (Peter Pan)
Saturday 1st December – Christmas Fair
Monday 3rd December – School Hackathon
Tuesday 4th December – Governors Meeting
Friday 7th December – Flu Vaccinations (R-Y5)
Monday 10th December – Community Choir Singing
Wednesday 12th December – Christmas Dinner

Vacancies in School

We are currently advertising for a Lunchtime Assistant and Cleaner. If you are interested in either position, please enquire at the school office.

I would like to thank Mrs. Byrne for her service in the role of Lunchtime Supervisor and wish her luck in her future ventures.

School Applications

The local authority are now taking applications for school places for the next academic year (2019/20). If you know of any child born between 1/9/14 and 31/8/15 then their parents need to be applying for a place now.

Parents can apply online by visiting: <http://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/schools/admissions/reception>. The closing date for applications is **15th January 2018**.



Headteacher's Award

Congratulations to all of the children who were given a Headteacher's award during the last week for outstanding learning behaviour and demonstrating respect.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely week.

Mr. Michael Walker - Headteacher

Communications with School

At Ackworth Howard we are committed to ensuring that the communications parents / carers have with the school are dealt with robustly and effectively. As such, we have reviewed our communications procedures and corresponding complaints procedures which you can now find on our website. The communications procedures have been sent home with the children too.

Governors have also recently approved the schools Pay Policy and Financial Management Policy.

Thank you for your continued support.

Children in Need

Thank you for supporting Children in Need on Friday with your kind donations. As a school we have raised £206 to support projects working with disadvantaged children and young people across the UK.



Celebrating Us!

The following children have been recognised by their class teachers for going above and beyond whether it be academic, socially or physically within the school week:

Harry P (Rec), Layla C (Rec), Molly C (Y1), Ewan F (Y1), Jack D (Y2), Dexter W (Y2), Connor M (Y3), Jessica A (Y3), Zakk H (Y4), Rumen D (Y4), Harry W (Y5), Ellie-Jay Y (Y5), Whole Class (Y6)

Well done to the children who have been living our values.