



Newsletter – Monday 4th March 2024

Educating 'for life in all its fullness.'

Striving for 100%

Attendance

Week Ending 1.3.24:

Reception	93.3%
Class 1	92.3%
Class 2	98.3%
Class 3	97.6%
Class 4	97.9%
Class 5	94.3%
Class 6	97.3%
Overall	95.9%

Attendance Champions: Year 2 - Congratulations

Our school attendance expectation is 97%. Well done to everyone who achieved this.

Growth in MIND, BODY, SPIRIT

Values for Life

This half term in collective worship we are focusing upon the value of: **RESPONSIBILITY**
This week's focus will be:

LEADERSHIP



Matthew 20:26-27:

"Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave."

This verse emphasises that true greatness comes from serving others selflessly and putting their needs before our own, reflecting the core value of humility and servitude.



Global Citizenship Thread

This half term our whole school Thread is **HEALTH AND WELLBEING**

*"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."
— Dr. Seuss, "Oh, The Places You'll Go!"*

Dear parents/carers

We're excited to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday! Here's a reminder of what's in store during the week:

Book Trail in School:

- Children can participate in a book trail (suggested donation 50p), and funds raised will support the updating of our reading resources.
- Exciting prizes for KS1 and KS2 - a £5 book voucher to use at the book fair!

Dress Up Fun:

- Children are encouraged to dress as their favourite book character or even as a word (like "hilarious").
- Prizes available - vouchers for the book fair.

Book Fair:

- The book fair will be open throughout the week starting Monday, March 4th.
- Open Mon-Thu after school, and parents are invited during specific mornings to browse and 'stay and read' in the hall with their children from 9 am.
- Schedule: Mon - EYFS, Tue - Y3&4, Wed - Y1&2, Thu - Y5&6.

Volunteer Opportunities:

We're looking for parents interested in volunteering their time during the week to read stories to classes or groups. Your participation is most welcome! Please let us know if you're interested.

Let's make this World Book Day a fantastic celebration of the joy of reading!

Official Comic Relief Noses are now on sale in school. These are £2 each – Meet Gigglesworth, McChortles, Smirklethorpe, LOL E Pops and The Golden Hooter...



Comic Relief 2024

Comic Relief is back on Friday, 15th March! The school council has been hard at work planning exciting activities for the day. Howards Got Talent is back and auditions will run throughout the week – we can't wait to discover the incredible talents our children possess!

On Friday, 15th March, we'll have a non-uniform day with the theme 'what makes you laugh.' To join in, a suggested donation of £1 is appreciated. The funds raised will be split between Comic Relief and supporting our Tanzania partnership.

Additionally, some thoughtful children are planning a bake sale, adding a sweet touch to our fundraising efforts. For those looking to show their support with a classic red nose, official ones will be available for purchase at £2 each from today.

Let's make this Comic Relief memorable and impactful at Ackworth Howard!

Recent Letters – [Parents Meetings](#) / [HSA Easter Hamper Raffle](#)

Calendar



February

Mon 4th – Y5/6 Fire Safety Talk

Wed 6th – Mother's Day Gift Sale

Thu 7th – World Book Day

Fri 8th – Y5/6 School Games

Football
Mon 11th – Andy's Man Club Event (9am)

Mon 11th – Bikeability

Mon 11th / Wed 13th – Parents Evening

Tue 12th – F1 in Schools National Finals / Y2 Walking to St. Cuthbert's (Ackworth Schools Easter Service Rehearsal)

Fri 15th – Comic Relief / Y2 St. Cuthbert's – Ackworth Schools Easter Service (Y2 Parents Invited – 1:45pm)

Key Dates 2023-24



Growth in **MIND, BODY, SPIRIT**

ANDY'S MAN CLUB



Reminder: ANDYSMANCLUB Event

- **Speaker: Jacob Sharratt**
- **Date & Time: Mon, March 11th, 9 am–10 am**
- **Location: School Hall**
- **Audience: Over 18s (Due to content)**

Learn about ANDYSMANCLUB, their mission, and how they support individuals. Join us for a 45-min presentation with Q&A. Open to all.

We hope to see you there!



Fasten your seatbelts, robots are racing...

As the F1 in Schools National Finals approach, the Robotic Racers have unveiled their updated car in a 'reveal video' just like the professional F1 teams! Check our social media for a glimpse. The team is thrilled to continue their partnership with Redsoul Design, collaborating on car development with insights from a genuine Mercedes F1 Team engineer!!! Best of luck in the upcoming finals.



Growth in **MIND, BODY**

Healthy Lifestyles Workshop

Last week, we hosted an NHS worker who conducted an engaging Healthy Lifestyles Workshop with our Year 4 children. The workshop delved into the essentials of maintaining good health, offering valuable insights into making informed choices.



Growth in **MIND, BODY**

Traditional Tales

Year 2 have been writing traditional tales based on Red Riding Hood and have been out in the deep, dark woods to collect vocabulary to enhance their story openings.



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Baking



Reception have been baking. They discussed where the different ingredients came from i.e the eggs, the flour etc. They worked hard as a team to follow the recipe and the instructions. The children carefully measured the ingredients.



Growth in **MIND, BODY**

Health and Hygiene

As part of their work on health and hygiene, Year 2 have been investigating what happens when they wash their hands using cold water, warm water and warm water and soap. Which do you think is the best method to kill the glitter germs?



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Dodgeball Match

A group of children from Year 3/4 took part in a dodgeball competition against Badsworth Primary School last week. They displayed amazing teamwork and resilience. Well done!



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Team Work

Reception had lots of fun in their outdoor area. They worked as a team and used the crates and loose parts to construct a tractor. The children took turns, shared the resources and used their imaginations to make some great constructions.



Growth in **MIND, BODY**

A1 Football Factory

Fantastic chance for our young talents to hone their football skills at the A1 Football Factory event last week. Loads of fun had by all!



Growth in **MIND**

Evaporation

Year 4 delved into scientific exploration, investigating evaporation. After soaking tea towels, teams placed them in designated spots, measuring weight and temperature throughout the day. Despite considering variables, heavy rain led to some unexpected results – a learning adventure in every weather!



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Howard Family Celebration Worship

Gathering Together and Encouraging One Another

The following children have been recognised for their:

- Outstanding achievements through the school week:
Arthur (Rec), Ruben (Y1), Freddie (Y2), Ollie (Y3), Isabella (Y4), George (Y5), Charlie (Y6)
- Living our Christian values:
Oliver (Rec), Millie (Y1), Isaac (Y2), Bradley (Y3), Ernie (Y4), Jenson (Y5), Alannah (Y6)
- Living our school vision:
Joey (Rec), Reginold (Y1), Theo (Y2), Seb (Y3), Daisy (Y4), Madison (Y5), Millie (Y6)
- Living our school vision and flourishing / Golden (Play) Welly Award:



Sports Competitors – Showcasing enthusiasm, resilience, teamwork, and, above all, a willingness to try...

- Reading Class Champions:
Year 2



*****Dinner Debate*****

This week's question to debate with family and friends at home:

If you could be friends with any magical creature from a book, like a dragon, a unicorn, or a talking animal, who would it be and why? Share your enchanting ideas!

Stay safe, well and keep the faith – your support is greatly appreciated

Michael Walker – Headteacher

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Bega Kwa Bega (Shoulder to Shoulder)

