



Newsletter October 2024

A message from the Head teacher

This is the first newsletter for this academic year and we have made the decision to print one per family as I feel they will be more accessible.

The children returned in September fully ready to learn and this has continued throughout the half term.

I am very pleased with our year 6 pupil leaders who have made an excellent start with their important roles in school.

This year we are looking to encourage all children with their reading. Please look out for a series of workshops, that we will be offering to families, that will focus on how you can support your child with reading at home.

I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming parents evening & winter fayre.

Mrs Shaw

Here, near and far: school trip information

We are very aware of the rising cost of living that affects everyone. Therefore we have made a decision to put a cap of, a maximum of £30, on how much we will ask families to contribute to the one-day educational visits, over the year.

Your children's teachers are looking very carefully at how off-site visits and in-school visitors will really enhance your child's learning.

School residential trips will be charged for separately.

Thank you for supporting this important part of your child's education. Without your contributions we could not run the trips.

Mrs Shaw



Key Dates for Autumn Term 2:

4th November—School opens to pupils

7th November—Early years open afternoon

15th November—Children in Need Day (School council to lead)

20th November—Parent's Evening

21st November—Parent's Evening

11th December - Winter Fayre

19th December—Christmas Party

20th December—school closes at lunchtime (1:05pm Kennion/1:15pm)

Attendance Update:

We have made an incredible start with whole-school attendance, this year. We are consistently reaching weekly targets of 95% + of pupils attending. Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Williams

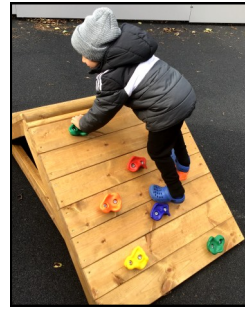
Meet our new Year 6 pupil leaders:



Their roles include supporting younger children with reading, helping over lunchtimes and supporting in assemblies.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW TWO-YEAR-OLD PROVISION:

In September we welcomed our first two-year-olds to school. We are absolutely delighted with how the children have settled into their new classrooms, Seedlings and Saplings. They are following a carefully designed curriculum that allows the children to explore their world through first-hand experiences and play.



On the **THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER** we will be opening up our Early Years for any families who would like to come into school to see what is available for children, aged 2, 3, 4 & 5 years old.

We can now offer a progressive, exciting programme for 2 year olds that builds and develops throughout the children's time in our fabulous early years.



INTRODUCING OUR NEW CHILDREN'S OUTDOOR GYM



Your children are thrilled with the new playground gym. What has been particularly pleasing is how they have shared the equipment and supported each other in using it properly. We will soon have super fit children!

IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING ARBOR— PARENTAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM



Please check your emails for your log in information, if you have not yet received an email or have never logged into Arbor then get In touch with the school office. You need to enable your notifications for Arbor as we will be sending in-app messages more frequently.

To enable notifications you need to go into your phone settings and click on notifications:

- For an iPhone—scroll to the Arbor App and allow notifications and click 'always'.
- For Android—click in app notification and scroll down to the Arbor App and click allow.

Thank you for your support, the Office Team

LINKS WITH THE COLLABORATIVE LEARNING TRUST



We continue to work very closely with our partner schools across the trust. This year we are going to be taking part in a collaborative art project. Selected children will have the opportunity to go to Leeds Art Gallery and take part in a whole trust art project.

A united, caring community of learners.