



Attendance: All day, every day will take you all the way!

Year 6 have won the best attending class award for this week, with 99.3% attendance. This week our attendance is 98.5% which is fantastic. This has lifted our overall school attendance to 96.7%. Our challenge this term is to lift our whole school attendance to over 97%. We are creeping towards 97% and with a good half term can get past 97% in the coming weeks.

Punctuality - Be in line by 10 to 9!

Learning starts at 8.50am. Children who are late are missing valuable learning and are disrupting the learning of others. It is not fair on your child and on others if they are late.

This Week

Year 5 Sports Coaching

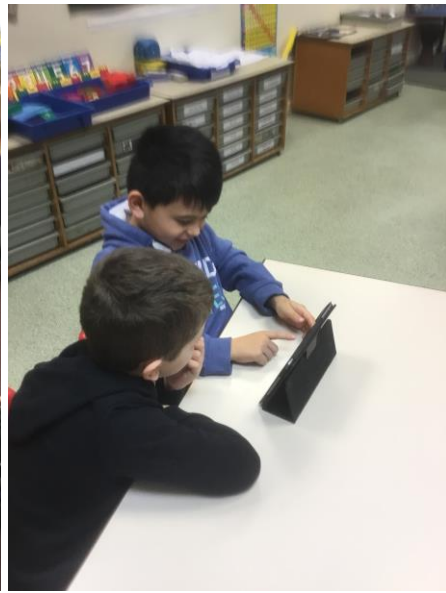
This week we were joined by staff and pupils from Rodillian for sports coaching in Year 5. It was great to see how children can grow into confident leaders at high school and our pupils really enjoyed the session and worked hard.

PTA

The PTA are currently organising a disco for this half term and have allocated £1000 of their funds to playtime equipment. School council are looking through catalogues choosing a wide range of playtime equipment from new goal posts to skipping ropes. PTA funds were boosted this week by Mrs. McIntosh who was able to secure matched funding from the Christmas Fair through her work. We want to say a huge thank you to her and First Direct for doing this and raising an extra £330.

Junior Jam, Kathy's Music and Elite Coaching

Fridays are the day of enrichment. We use Junior Jam to deliver computing through Ipads, Elite Coaching to deliver specialist PE provision and Kathy to deliver KS1 music. Pupils love Fridays and gain so much from these sessions. They learn well, have fun doing it and have access to specialist provision and resources.



Reading Challenge

We have an inter class competition for the number of minutes' pupils read each week. After 3 days Y6 appear to be in the lead but all of these times will be averaged over the number of children in the class so the smaller classes are not penalised. We are also using this as a way of increasing reading in each class so that next week all classes have the challenge of beating their class total for this week.

	Minutes	Total
Reception	71	196
Year 1	168	445
Year 2	176	535
Year 3	35	281
Year 4	122	530
Year 5	529	1373
Year 6	535	1487

Uniform

Please note that we will be checking uniform over the next week. We expect children to be wearing school shoes (or black boots as it is winter). Children may wear wellies on wet/snowy days but must have pumps in class to change into. Please also note that leggings are not school trousers. Thank you

New Starters 2019

The closing date for primary school applications was Tuesday 15th January 2019. If you still need to apply for a primary school place then please come and see the school office who will be able to help you with an application.

Dates for your Diary:

Dates	Event
Monday 21 st January 2019	Y5 & Y6 visiting Leeds Grand Mosque (letter to follow)
Wednesday 23 rd January 2019	Swimming re-starts for Year 4
Weds 6 th – Fri 8 th February 2019	Y5 Residential to Nell Bank
Friday 15 th February 2019	Last Day of Term before holiday
Monday 25 th February 2019	Back to school after February holiday
Wednesday 20 th March 2019	Last swimming lesson for Year 4
Friday 29 th March 2019	Last Day of Term before Easter holiday
Monday 15 th April 2019	Back to school after Easter holiday
Friday 19 th April 2019	School Closed – Good Friday, Bank Holiday
Monday 22 nd April 2019	School Closed – Easter Monday, Bank Holiday
Monday 6 th May 2019	School Closed – May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May 2019	Last Day of Term before holiday
Monday 3 rd June 2019	Back to school after holiday

For absences please call on 0113 8591842. All absences must be reported by 9.20am.

We take safety very seriously at our school

If you have any concerns please contact Mr Foulke or Mrs Owen