

Reminder: Upcoming Friends Events

There are several upcoming Friends PTA events next week that you can get involved in.

For details of Friends events and to book, please [CLICK HERE](#)

The first event is our Pancake Celebration with Early Years and Year 1 & 2 on 12th and Years 3-6 on 13th Feb. Info from the website explains: Join us from 8am in the school yard for "Pancake Breakfast". £2 per person which includes unlimited pancakes with toppings. Toppings Available: Chocolate Spread, Jam, Sugar, Lemon, Maple Syrup. If you have any dietary requirements please let me know in the comments. **All pancakes must be purchased in advance and the children will be given tickets to be redeems that morning only.** These cannot be transferred to another pancake events.

There is also a Friends Valentine Cake Sale of Wednesday 14th February. Please bring cake donations into school at 8:45am on the day of the sale. You can then purchase cakes at:

Time - 3.20pm Location - School Hall

Donations - 9am on day of sale

On Friday 16th February, there will be a 'Break the Rules' day. Choose as many or as few rules to break as you like. You could: bring an unhealthy snack, change a piece of uniform, accessorize with jewellery or headwear, wear nail polish or colourful socks.

Thank you in advance for your support at these events. We also hope you will be able to join us for our Friends Annual general Meeting to see how you can get involved on Tuesday 5th March, 6pm at Brooksbottom Cricket Club. This is a great way to meet other parents and support the school raising funds at future events.

Reminder: APDR High Level Need Reviews

Our High Level Needs APDR plans will be coming out to parents ahead of the half term break. (All other plans will be reviewed prior to Easter at Parent Evening through extended SEN appointments) Teachers will be in touch to arrange an optional 10 minute telephone call with parents of HLN pupils to take place on Tuesday 13th February. Slots will be between 3:30pm—5:00pm.



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Award Winners

Who has been shining this week at Summerseat?

Acorn	Value: Teddy
Oak	Shine: Ayesha
Beech	Shine: Joey Value: Eleanor R
Ash	Shine: Marcie Value: Emily

Dates for your Diary—for dates further ahead, please visit the calendar on the school website.

[School Calendar](#)

12th Feb	Friends Pancake Celebration KS1
13th Feb	Friends Pancake Celebration KS2
13th Feb	HLN APDR Telephone Meetings
14th Feb	Friends—Cake Sale
15th Feb	Nursery & Reception 'Stay & Play' 9-10am
16th Feb	PTA Break the Rules Day
16th Feb	School closes for half term break (3:20pm)
26th Feb	School opens for Spring 2
7th Mar	World Book Day
21st Mar	Oak to Skipton Castle
25th Mar	Parent Evening & APDR Meetings
26th Mar	Intra School Tri Kids Event
26th Mar	Parent Evening & APDR Meetings

Holidays 2024-25

Holidays for 2024-25 are available to view on the school website. [CLICK HERE](#)

Please note, there has been a slight change to the holidays for next year to facilitate staff safeguarding training. School will be closed to pupils on Friday 20th December. All other dates remain the same.

Please note, we always provide as much advance warning as possible for school holiday dates. This should help parents plan ahead and avoid absence during term time.

Please be advised that Legislation does not give any entitlement to parents to take their child on holiday during term time. Any application for leave must be in exceptional circumstances and the Head Teacher must be satisfied that the circumstances warrant the granting of leave.

Taking your child/children out of school when a holiday is not authorised/requested, you may face legal action under Section 444 (1) or (1A) of the Education Act 1996 or be issued with a Penalty Notice under Section 23 of the Anti Social Behaviour Act 2003. Penalty Notices are issued per parent per child at £60 each if paid within 21 days rising to £120 each if paid within 28 days.

Please use the following form for any absence requests:

[ABSENCE REQUEST](#)

You will then be notified of the outcome.

Attendance	Grade Indicator
Above 98%	Excellent Attendance
94% - 97.9%	Satisfactory
92% - 93.9%	Poor
Below 92%	Low

Attendance

Every Day Counts!

Please see below your child's year group attendance and how this compares with the expectations above.

Acorn Class	94.0 %
Oak Class	97.4 %
Beech Class	97.7 %
Ash Class	96.8 %

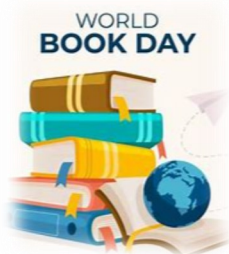
This week's winners are: Beech Class

Reminder: World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 7th March. This is something we always enjoy taking part in as it supports us with one of our favourite things; reading for pleasure!

This year, we will be getting involved in the following ways:

- Inviting grownups into school from 8:45am – 9:15am to come and share a favourite book with their child and other children and create a class reading recommendation poster that we will then circulate. We will have a wide selection of books for you to enjoy.
- Taking part in the Literacy Trust 'Great Big Footie and Bookie Quiz' at 9:30am. The 30-minute quiz will feature two rounds of questions (one football-themed, one reading-themed) pitched by your footballing heroes and also Literacy Trust writer pals.
- Joining the World Book Day live lesson with a range of exciting authors at 11am
- You will of course receive a World Book Day voucher for local shops to purchase your own reading for pleasure book.
- *Our dress up theme this year is inspired by the Literacy Trust 'Great Big Footie and Bookie Quiz' and we suggest you come into school dressed in your favourite sports wear or as a book character to mark the occasion.*
- As ever, reading for pleasure will be an even bigger focus than usual across the day.



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Early Years 'Stay & Play'

This half term, Acorn class have been learning all about dinosaurs. The children have thoroughly enjoyed this topic and have produced some amazing work. For the last two weeks of term, they have been exploring museums and the children are going to transform the classroom into a dinosaur museum.

We would like to invite you to join us for a stay and play session where you will have the opportunity to spend time with your child in our classroom. The session will take place on Thursday 15th February and run from 9am-10am. During this time the children will be making independent learning choices that you will be able to join in with. This will also be a brilliant opportunity for the children to show you all their amazing learning.

If you are unable to attend, please feel free to ask a grandparent or another relative to join us.

You should have received the letter with a slip attached to let us know if you intend to join us. If you haven't already done so, please let the school office know.

Parent Evenings

Our spring term parent evenings will take place on 25th & 26th March. Details will follow after half term, including a booking link.

We look forward to sharing all the learning your child has been doing and books will be available on the evening.

Reminder: Comic Relief

Comic Relief will be taking place this year on Friday 15th March. This year, Blue Peter will be turning RED to celebrate Red Nose Day and they are asking schools to go 'red-to-toe' too. At Summerseat, we will be getting involved in the 'Red to Toe' challenge. So as Red (Blue) Peter says, dust off your ruby slippers, pop on your lobster suit or simply don some scarlet socks - how far you take it is up to you! Plus, in true Blue Peter style they will be taking on a challenge just for Red Nose Day - plans are currently on a need-to-know basis, but they will soon be revealed on Blue Peter updates.

This is how you can get involved:

- Children should come to school with an item of Red or dress from 'Red to toe'.
- We will be putting on a Red Nose Day disco and releasing our inner Strictly stars with Red Nose Day hits by One Direction, The Saturdays, the Spice Girls and Peter Kay. This will take place during school time with Coach Natalie and staff from children's classes.
- We will be requesting donations for the disco that we will send to the charity. **These can be paid via:**
- You can tune in to Red Peter on BBC One on Red Nose Day to find out more about their challenge.

