

# NEWSLETTER



*'Be kind, work hard and fly high.'*

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the lengthening days appear, we mark the close of a fulfilling first half of the spring term. This period has been a dynamic blend of learning, growth and shared experiences. May the half term break provide an opportunity for rejuvenation and reflection, allowing everyone to return refreshed and ready to embrace the challenges and opportunities of the term ahead. Your ongoing support remains invaluable to our shared vision and for this, we extend our sincere gratitude.

## Road Safety

PLEASE... park safely around our school – avoiding parking around school crossing points. Cars are causing a danger for our children and wider community. We don't want this to be a cause for a more serious incident. Please support us with considerate actions!



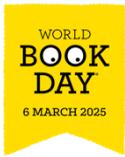
## Diary Dates – Including Holiday Dates 2024/2025

2025	
February	
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of spring 1 term
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY – School Closed
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	First day of spring 2 term
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Road Safety Day – Classes to take part in road safety sessions
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Creative Workshop Day
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 trip to the Holocaust Centre
March	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Women's History Month
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm Year 6 Parent Meeting – KS2 SATs information meeting
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Hathersage residential
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day – Dress up
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day Dinner
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	International Women's Day
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Science Week
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Global Recycling Day

<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Dress in red for Comic Relief
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	Height and Weight Measurements – FS2 and Year 6
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	1:00pm Family High Tea event
<b>April</b>	
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	9:15am EYFS Easter 'Eggs'travaganza 2025
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	1:00pm Year 3/4 Easter Craft afternoon
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Easter Dinner
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day of spring 2 term
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	First day of summer 1 term
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Year 3 Trip to Creswell Crags
<b>May</b>	
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Class photographs
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	5:00pm Year 6 Tenby Residential Parent Meeting
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Sports Day 2025
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Last day of summer 1 term
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>INSET DAY – School Closed</b>
<b>June</b>	
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	First day of summer 2 term
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Year 4 multiplication Check Week
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Year 6 Tenby residential
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	Phonics Screen Week
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Reserve Sports Day
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	7:30am Family Breakfast event
	INSET DAY – School Closed
<b>July</b>	
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	9:30am F2 trip to Pizza Express
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Year 6 pupils transition to Holgate School
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Reports to Parents
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	5:00pm Year 5/6 Summer Production
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	5:00pm Year 5/6 Summer Production
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	'Transition Day' into new classes
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day of summer 2 term
<b>September</b>	
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>INSET DAY – School Closed</b>
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	First day of autumn 1 term for pupils

### **REMINDER**

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February, school will be closed to pupils as it is an INSET day for staff.



## **World Book Day – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

We are planning a range of in school activities to celebrate this day, including a themed school lunch. Your child is invited to come dressed up on the day – see the link below for some low-cost ideas.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/World-Book-Day-2025-low-cost-dressing-up-pack.pdf>

### **Young Voices**

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February, our Key Stage 2 students experienced an unforgettable evening at the Young Voices concert held at Sheffield's Utilita Arena. This extraordinary event provided a platform for these talented youngsters to showcase their vocal prowess before a live audience, an experience that will undoubtedly resonate with them for years to come.



We extend our sincere gratitude to the dedicated staff whose unwavering support throughout the day made this remarkable opportunity possible, creating a cherished memory that will last a lifetime.

### **Year 3 Enquiry Outcome**



Our Year 3 children demonstrated a profound sense of empathy and social responsibility this past week, as they personally delivered a generous collection of clothing to the British Red Cross. This act of kindness stemmed from their recent immersive study of volcanoes, which organically transitioned into an exploration of the Red Cross's vital work in disaster relief and community support. The children's engagement with this project transcended mere academic exercise, embodying a genuine commitment to making a tangible difference in the lives of those in need.

### **OT Food Club Easter Egg Collection**

The OT Food Club is spearheading a community-focused initiative this Easter, aiming to distribute Easter eggs to residents of local care homes and families in need. To facilitate this heartwarming project, Hucknall Flying High Academy will serve as a designated collection point for donations throughout the upcoming term.

We invite you to join us in making a tangible difference in the lives of others by contributing to this fantastic cause. Your generous donations of Easter eggs will help bring joy and a sense of connection to those who may be facing isolation or hardship.

Please drop off your contributions at the school office. Together, we can share the spirit of Easter and make this season a little brighter for everyone in our community.



## Safeguarding – Navigating the Online World

We are committed to helping you keep your child safe while they are exploring the digital world. With the rise of technology – with many children receiving digital devices for Christmas, it has become increasingly important for parents to be aware of the potential dangers online. Here are some helpful hints and tips to keep in mind:



- Set boundaries: It is important to set clear boundaries for your child when it comes to technology use. Decide on a specific time for them to use the internet **and what websites or apps are appropriate for their age.**
- Monitor their activity: Keep a close eye on what your child is doing online by **regularly checking their browsing history and social media accounts.** This will help you identify any potential risks or issues early on.
- Educate them: Talk to your child about the importance of online safety and the potential dangers they may encounter. Encourage them **to talk to you if they ever feel uncomfortable or unsure about something they see online.**
- Use parental controls: Most devices and apps have built-in parental controls that can help you restrict access to certain websites, apps or content. Take advantage of these features to help keep your child safe.

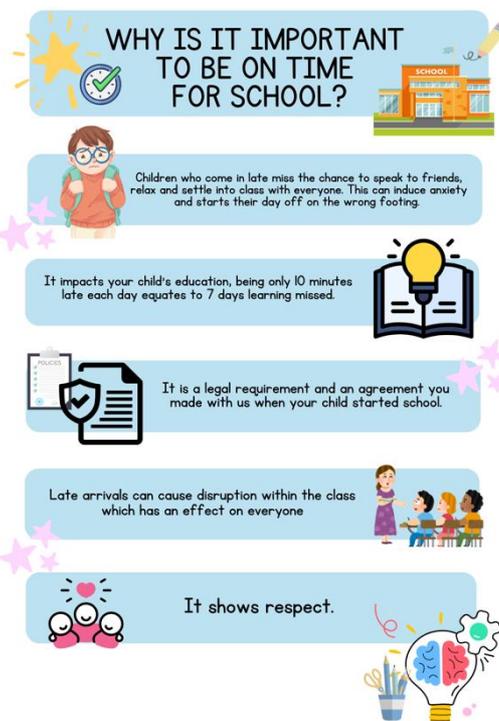
**Remember, online safety is a shared responsibility between parents, children and schools.** By working together, we can help ensure that our children have a positive and safe experience online. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

## The Importance of School Attendance

Working in partnership with families is key to fostering a positive learning environment, and one area where we can collectively make a real difference is punctuality. Consistent attendance and timely arrival at school are crucial for a child's success. To support families in this effort, Mrs. Dempsey, our Family Support Worker, has prepared an informative leaflet. Please take some time to review it – we believe it will be a valuable resource.

Have a great half term! Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr K Clowery



Half Term Event



**OT FUNDRAISERS**  
Presents

# FUN DAY

**THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2025**  
**11AM - 2PM**

- Crafts
- DJ
- Face Painting

**Food Available**  
**Parking in tesco for 3 hours**

**OT Thread Shed**  
**Mancor House**  
**Bolsover St**  
**Hucknall**  
**NG15 7TZ**

