

July Newsletter 2025



Another year has flown by and the holidays are upon us. The staff and I would like to say a huge thank you to you for all your support this year. Your children have worked hard and enjoyed rich learning experiences and we are delighted with the progress they have made which was celebrated in their end of year reports.

We wish a fond farewell to our talented Year 6 children as they begin their secondary education and know that they will use the skills and knowledge they have learned with us to continue on their important learning journey. We also say goodbye to other children across the school who will relocate and enjoy meeting new teachers in their new schools.

We would like to say a massive thank you to all our school volunteers without whom we would not be able to run our swimming session or support our children with their reading or on school visits. We also extend this to our small and perfectly formed Friends of Robert Wilkinson.

During the last few weeks there have been many kind words and gifts that have been very much appreciated by the staff. We hope you enjoy some sunshine and happy family times and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

UNIFORM SALE

Thank you to everyone who donated items of preloved uniform. Over the holidays we are hoping to organise this and starting in the new school year we will be holding sales during the first week in each month. The uniform is housed in the school bungalow and during the sale days there will be open access from 8am-9am on Monday and Wednesday and 3pm-4pm on Tuesday and Thursdays during

the designated week. This will commence on Monday 29th September. The store will not be unsupervised so please simply make your selections. If you are able to make a small donation there will be a box available.

UNIFORM REMINDER

Children will still be able to wear their PE kit for PE days however we are insisting on a unified approach. Children will no longer be able to wear uniform from other organisations or sports clubs. PE sweatshirt or zip ups should be plain black no logos or branding. Our uniform supplier has a suitable one that parents can order.

Leggings will only be considered as PE uniform and should not be worn for the rest of the week.

Full details of our uniform can be found on the school website.

CHANGES TO CHARGES IN SCHOOL

Following our LGB meeting the following price increases will be applied for 1st September. These increases have not been taken lightly and are reflective of our continually rising costs.

School lunches for Year 3-6 £3.00 per day

School clubs will be £4.00 per session

Tiny Steps charge £7.60 per hour (2 year olds)

Nursery charge £5.70 per hour (3 year olds)

LATE ARRIVALS

This year we have had changes to our admin team meaning that particularly on a morning there is high demand on Miss Tunley in reception. An audit of punctuality has shown that some days last term there was up to 20 children arriving through reception. This means there is additional demand as some children need to be accompanied to their classrooms.

From the start of term the Year 5 door will be open until 9am and late arrivals should be brought to this door rather than in through the main reception area. Children arriving after 9am will receive a late mark and will need to be signed in by parents as the official school start time is 8.50am. Thank you for your support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

You have told us that early notice of school events is appreciated so we are working hard to make this a reality. Here are some of the dates for this academic year. More will be added as they are confirmed.

DATE	ACTIVITY
Summer holidays	
Monday 1st September	Staff training day
Tuesday 2nd September	Children back to school
Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th September	Year 6 to Leeds Museum
Wednesday 17th September	Year 3 parents information session 2.30pm
Tuesday 23rd September	Willow and Oak Reading meeting 2-3pm
Wednesday 24th September	Year 6 parents information evening 6-7pm
Week commencing 29th September	Preloved uniform sale
Wednesday 1st October	Flu jabs
Friday 3rd October	Staff training day - no children in school

Wednesday 8th October	Local Governing Board meeting 6-7.30pm
Thursday 9th October	KS1 open classrooms and KS2 book looks 3.30-4.30
Tuesday 14th October	Oak, Willow, Saplings and Seedlings Open classrooms 3.30-4.30pm
Thursday 16th October	Harvest assembly- collection of items for Trussell Trust
Week commencing 20th October	Parents evening appointments
Friday 24th October	School closes at 3.20 for half term
HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
Monday 4th November	Children return to school
Week commencing 4th November	Preloved uniform sale
Wednesday 12th November	Perspective new parents evening 5-6pm
Thursday 13th November	Children in Need - details to follow
Friday 14th November	School training day- No children in school
Week commencing 1st December	Preloved uniform sale

Tuesday 9th December	Nativity for Willow and Oak 5-6pm
Wednesday 10th December	Nativity for Willow and Oak 2-3pm
Thursday 11th December	Carol concerts Key Stage 2
Thursday 18th December	Christingle service Key Stage 1
Friday 19th December	School closes at noon for Christmas holidays
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
Monday 5th January	School opens
Week commencing 5th January	Preloved uniform sale
Friday 13th February	School closes for half term
HALF TERM	
Monday 23rd February	Children return to school
Week commencing 2nd March	Preloved uniform sale
Tuesday 3rd March	Key Stage 1 open classrooms KS2 Book looks 3.30-4.30pm

Thursday 5th March	World book day- details to follow
Week commencing 9th March	Parents evening appointments
Friday 27th March	School closes for Easter Holidays- normal school finishing times
EASTER HOLIDAYS	
Monday 13th April	Children to return to school
Monday 4th May	Bank holiday
Week commencing 4th May	Preloved uniform sale
Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th May	Key Stage 2 SATs
Friday 22nd May	School breaks up for half term
HALF TERM	
Monday 1st June	Children return to school
Week commencing 1st June	Preloved uniform sale
Friday 12th June	Sports day and Summer Fair

Friday 19th June	Back up Sports Day
Monday 22nd June	Staff training day
Monday 29th June	Report to EYFS parents
Wednesday 1st July	Tiny Steps open session 3.30-4.30pm
Tuesday 16th July	Reports to parents Year 6 performance 1.30pm
Wednesday 17th July	Year 6 performance 4pm Year 6 graduation 6-8pm
Friday 19th July	School breaks up at noon
SUMMER HOLIDAYS	

We have also added these dates to the school calendar on our website for your reference.

Best wishes

Donna Bedford

Headteacher