

## Friday News 18.10.2024

The end of another very busy week this week, finished off with what will be an amazing disco. It was a pleasure to welcome so many parents on Thursday for our first parents' evening. It is always a privilege to be able to share your child(ren)'s learning with you. We had some wonderful feedback as well. We are looking forward to our next parents' evening on Tuesday.

### Phonics information session

Mrs Longhurst and Mrs Hutchings are holding a phonics information session on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 9am in the school hall. Any parents of children in Antarctica or Africa are warmly welcomed to come along to learn about how we teach phonics and why. No need to book, just turn up.

### Small toys / cards etc

There has been a slight increase in children bringing in toys to school. Please can you make sure that any toys are left at home. We cannot ensure that they will be kept safe in a busy school environment and especially if they choose to take them outside at play and lunchtimes.

### Attendance

We achieved **94%** attendance this week which is a decrease on last week.

Year 6 are our attendance champions this week with **98%**, well done Year 6! They were followed closely by Year 4 with 96.3% and Year 1 with 95.8%.

Reminder that you can check your child's attendance using the Arbor app  
#MomentsMatterAttendanceCounts

### Autumn Term Key Dates

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Africa (Y1) parents invited in for No Outsiders 2pm

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Parents' Evening

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October - North America (Y5) to Fitzwilliam Museum

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Antarctica (YR) parents invited in for No Outsiders 2:30pm

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November - Half Term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November - PD day no children in school

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November - Phonics information session for parents (EYFS / Year 1)

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November - Open morning 9:30 - 11:30 for parents and children who are due to start school in September 2025

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Individual school photos

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Christingle in school

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm

Happy weekend!



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**“Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them”**

MATTHEW 19:14