

Welcome back to the start of the final half of the Autumn Term. I hope you all had a restful half-term break. We have lots of exciting things coming up in the run up to Christmas. Please keep checking the dates on here to make sure that you keep track of everything. We will try and give you as much notice as possible about different events to enable you to plan.

<u>Library Update</u>- Over half-term, work began on putting together the new shelving and furniture for our brand-new library space. Over the next few weeks, we hope to have this completed and open as a usable, fabulous space for our children to simply enjoy reading in.





Whitby Residential-Last term, Year 4 were lucky to be the first year group to access Enquire Learning Trust's brand new, purpose built, residential centre in East Whitby. A fabulous time was had by all during our 3-day, 2 night stay and I would like to take a moment to praise the absolutely outstanding behaviour of the children during this trip! It was an absolute pleasure for myself, Mr Coulam and Mrs Sargent to accompany the children and we very much hope to be able to run this trip again next year!



Attendance

Year Group	Attendance for Autumn Term 1
R	97%
1	94%
2	97%
3	99%
4	95%
5	95%
6	96%

A big THANK YOU to all of the parents who are working with us to improve attendance. We understand that children become ill and are really not well enough for school. However, if your child has a cough or cold, we still expect them to attend school. If you let us know when you drop them off, we can keep an eye on them and if we need to, we'll contact you to collect them from school. National average attendance for Primary School Pupils is 96.1%. Attendance at school is essential to a child's ongoing success and it is therefore vital that all pupils attend as regularly as possible.

<u>Celebration assemblies</u>. This half term we will return to inviting parents into school to join us for our celebration assemblies. A reminder that these take place on a Tuesday morning from 8.55-9.15am. If your child has been selected for an award, you will receive a message on the Friday before inviting you to join us. The children will not know at this point they have been selected, so please help us by keeping it as a surprise for them! We hope to see many of you there to join us in our most rewarding assembly of the week!

Dates for your diary-

NOVEMBER		
Monday 4th	Staff and children return to school	
Thursday 7 th	Year 1/2 trip to Woodside Falconry	
W/C Monday 11 th	Anti-bullying week- Choose Respect	
Tuesday 12 th	Odd Socks Day	
Tuesday 12 th	Open day for new starters including an open evening	
Friday 15 th	Children in Need Day	
Wednesday 20 th	Flu vaccinations for R-Y6	
Wednesday 27 th	'Search for Santa' Pantomime for Wren and Robin Class	
Friday 29 th	Last swimming session	
Friday 29 th	Non-uniform day for Christmas raffle prizes	
DECEMBER		
Thursday 5th	Christingle celebration Y3 and 4- 9am	
Friday 6 th	Christingle celebration Y5 and 6- 9am	
Tuesday 10th	Nursery and Reception Christmas play- 2.15pm	
Wednesday 11th	Nursery and Reception Christmas play- 9.30am	
	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play- 2.15pm	
Thursday 12 th	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play- 9.30am	
Tuesday 17 th	Christmas parties KS1 am and KS2 pm	
Friday 20 th	Christmas Jumper day- Cinema experience	
	Break up for the Christmas holidays 2.15pm	
JANUARY		
Monday 6th	Staff inset day	
Tuesday 7 th	Children return to school	