

Sitwell Nursery & Infant School Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing 02.02.2026



What's happening in school...

We had another wonderful week in school last week filled with lots of learning and laughter. We have completed our second assessment point, and the children's progress is amazing. We are very proud of how hard they are working and the progress they are making!

We had a few parents who had not signed up for a slot at Parents Evening, and did not let us know of an issue with attending. In these cases, we have booked a time and date for you. An email with this information will be sent to you today. Please get in touch if there is a problem with this. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!

We were really disappointed to find that someone had drawn on the Year 1 and Year 2 toilet walls last week; and there have now been a total of 4 separate incidents where someone has written or scribble on the wall. Measures have been put into place to monitor this and consequences will be put into place for anyone caught damaging school property in this way.

Looking forward to this week, we are getting really excited about the NSPCC number day on Friday! As per the letter shared earlier on in the term, children can come to school dressed down in something linked to numbers! If your child does dress up, we would be grateful for a small donation of £1 for the NSPCC. **If your child decides not to dress as something linked to numbers, they will need to wear their school uniform as usual.**

Our next PTA event - which is an Afternoon Tea session held in the school hall - is also happening this week. On Wednesday afternoon, the PTA will be serving lots of sandwiches, sweet treats, with tea and coffee. Make sure to go onto Arbor to book your ticket if you would like to attend this event with your child!

Mrs Peart 😊

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Whole school	95%
Roses	98.8%
Tulips	95.2%
Bluebells	93.5%
Poppies	92.9%
Snowdrops	94.6%
Sunflowers	96.6%
Buttercups	93.9%
Daisies	95.2%
Daffodils	93.8%

Attendance Zones

96% - 100% attendance is seen as good attendance, and as a school we aim for every child to achieve this target. Sitwell Infant School uses 'attendance zones' to monitor attendance and provide support.

Red - below 91% Amber - 92% - 95%

Green 96% - 100%

Attendance Ladder

Below you will see the attendance ladder, which shows the impact that days absent from school can have on a child's attainment and well-being. To give children the best chance of success, they need to be in school as often as they possibly can.



Be In SCHOOL
Be On TIME

Attendance matters...

Our attendance last week was a little disappointing with lots of classes in the amber zone. Attendance overall declined to 95%, which is just below our target of 96%. We need children in school every day to be able to make the most progress with their learning and development. Please try to ensure this happens.

As we move further along into the year, we are tracking children's absences very closely, looking for patterns in days off and lateness. Where we have concerns, a letter will be sent to you to make you aware of our concerns, and we will then monitor this. If there is not an improvement, we may then need to organise a meeting to discuss your child's attendance and how you can improve this. The same applies for lateness.

We need your support to ensure your child gets the very best start in life and attendance is a crucial part of this.

You can find more information about attendance and absence on our website here:
<https://www.sitwellinfantschool.co.uk/learning-achieving/attendance>

Thank you so much for valuing and supporting your child with excellent attendance. It really does make a difference!

Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

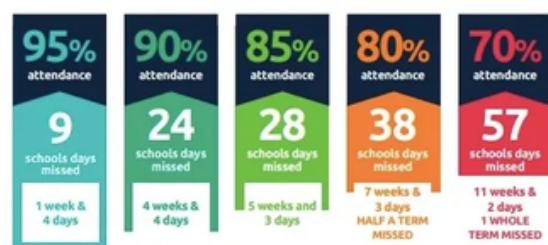
When your child misses just...	they miss days per year
5 mins per day	= 3 days
30 mins per day	= 18 days



Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

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Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



This week in pictures



Upcoming Events

SPRING TERM 2025



**FEBRUARY
2**

**Parents Evening
Buttercup Class Only
15:20-18:00**

Now bookable on Arbor - any problems please contact the school office



**FEBRUARY
3**

**Parents Evening
15:20-18:00**

Now bookable on Arbor - any problems please contact the school office



**FEBRUARY
4**

PTA Afternoon Tea Party

Please find information below about this event and how to book. Tickets are limited!



**FEBRUARY
5**

**Parents Evening
15:20-18:00**

Now bookable on Arbor - any problems please contact the school office (excluding Buttercups)



**FEBRUARY
6**

NSPCC Number Day

Staff and children dress up linked to numbers for a small donation. Letter has been sent to families. Poster below



**FEBRUARY
10**

Safer Internet Day

Children will be learning all about how to stay safe online.



**FEBRUARY
12**

**Space Explorers - Tea Club
15:15-17:45**

Tickets £10 on arbor app. Register your child for tea club, top account up and book.



**FEBRUARY
12**

School Closes

School closes at the normal time for half term. We reopen on Monday 23rd February 2026.



**FEBRUARY
13**

INSET DAY

School closed today for teacher training.



**FEBRUARY
23**

School Reopens

School reopens after February half term. Welcome back everyone.



**MARCH
2**

**Spy School - Tea Club
15:15-17:45**

Tickets £10 on arbor app. Register your child for tea club, top account up and book.



**MARCH
4**

**KS1 Educational Trip
Yorkshire Wildlife Park**

During school time. Please order a sandwich option should you wish your child to take a school lunch



**MARCH
6**

World Book Day

Details to be sent out in due course



**MARCH
10**

**Reception Educational Trip
Austerfield**

During school time. Please order a sandwich option should you wish your child to take a school lunch



**MARCH
16**

**Reception Family Learning Event
13:15-15:15**

Information to be sent out in due course.



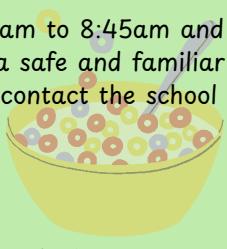
**MARCH
20**

Red Nose Day

Details to be sent out in due course.

Wrap around Provision

Our Wrap Around Provision is the perfect solution for busy families! We're open every morning from 7:45am to 8:45am and every afternoon from 3:15pm to 5:45pm. Children can enjoy a range of exciting activities and snacks in a safe and familiar environment with our dedicated staff. Spaces are limited, so please book your sessions through Arbor or contact the school office for more details.



We are excited to announce that we are offering a ****free tester session**** for our ****Tea Club**!** This is a wonderful opportunity for children to enjoy and experience all of the fun activities we have to offer. This free session will be a short tea club session, which will require you to pick your child up at 4.30pm. Please note that this does not include attendance for one of the themed tea club sessions.

We highly encourage you to sign up for your child for this session. It's completely free of charge, and we believe your child will have a fantastic time meeting new friends and exploring our club's offerings.

If you're interested in signing up, please inform the school office who will add your child to the requested date.



Our amazing Tea Club team will be hosting more exciting events throughout the year.

Next up we have Space Explorers.

This is now fully booked, should you wish your child attend please contact the office and we can add your child to the waitlist.



PTA Event
We still have plenty of availability.



NSPCC Number Day

