

Sitwell Nursery & Infant School Weekly Newsletter



Week Commencing 23.02.2026

What's happening in school...

We had a wonderful final week before the half term holiday. Lots of fantastic learning happening!

We are very excited to take the children out on their first educational visits this year. KS1 classes (Roses, Tulips, Bluebells, Poppies & Snowdrops) will be visiting Yorkshire Wildlife Park on 4th March and Reception classes (Buttercups & Sunflowers) are going to be visiting Austerfield Outdoor Centre on 10th March. Thank you so much to those parents who have offered their time to help out on the visit. We have now contacted all parents who have secured a place with us. Please note that each parent will be responsible for a small group of children during the visit to help the class teacher keep everyone safe. If you have any questions about this, please just get in touch. We are very grateful for your support! Don't forget to order a sandwich option on Parent Pay should you wish your child to take a school packed lunch for the visits.

We are also very excited about World Book Day, happening on Thursday 5th March. All children and staff can come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Please bring along the book too if you have it! The children will be taking part in lots of reading themed events during the day. Mrs Razaq and our Reading Buddy team have planned some wonderful events that will be happening over the half term. Keep an eye out on the website and key dates section of the newsletter for more information. The Secret Reader sessions are going to be so much fun!

Our next themed Tea Club event is Spy School on Monday 2nd March. Places are limited so make sure to book your child a ticket today! You can do this on the Arbor app.

Here's to a fantastic first week back in school!

Mrs Peart 😊

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Whole school	96.8%
Roses	99%
Tulips	99%
Bluebells	95.7%
Poppies	95.4%
Snowdrops	93.5%
Sunflowers	97.8%
Buttercups	99.6%
Daisies	94.6%
Daffodils	95.3%

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.



Attendance matters...

Our attendance during the last week of the half term was above our target of 96%! Well done everyone! There are lots of classes with green on the board this week - but who is our attendance winner?

We know that many of our families will be celebrating Eid when the holy month of Ramadan comes to an end. Please note that children are only authorised one day's absence for this celebration. We need parents to inform us before or on the day that your child will be absent so we can record this correctly. Please note that if we do not receive a message or email from you, the absence will be marked as unauthorised. You can telephone or email the school office or pass this information onto your child's class teacher.

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!

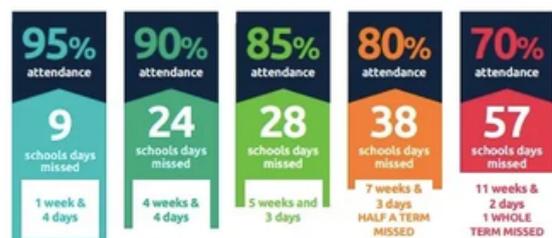
Minutes lost = days lost per year

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



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Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



 **Be In SCHOOL**
Be On TIME

This week in pictures



Upcoming Events

SPRING TERM 2025

FEBRUARY
23

School Reopens

School reopens after February half term. Welcome back everyone.

MARCH
16

Reception Family Learning Event

13:15-15:15

Information to be sent out in due course.

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
16

Red Nose Day

Details to be sent out in due course.

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
25

Egg-travaganza - Tea Club

15:15-17:45

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

MARCH
5

World Book Day

Letter has been sent out to families with information. All children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

MARCH
27

School Closes

School closes at the normal time for half term. We reopen on Monday 13th April 2026

MARCH
6

Daffodil Enrichment Activity Zoolabs

13:30-14:30pm

Mini Beasts to visit Daffodil class

APRIL
13

School Reopens

School reopens after the Easter holidays. Welcome back everyone.

MARCH
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Holi Colour Run

13:15-15:15pm

Letter has been sent out this week. Please complete the slip and return to school if you would like your child to take part.

MARCH
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Reception Educational Trip Austerfield

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

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 Spy School followed by our Easter Egstravaganza

TOP SECRET

Our wraparound Team Presents

SPY SCHOOL

MONDAY 2ND MARCH 2026 @ 3:15PM

£10 per Ticket bookable through the Arbor app.

Be quick as there is limited availability

The poster features a magnifying glass over a fingerprint, a footprint, a key, a hat, and sunglasses.

OUR WRAPAROUND TEAM PRESENTS

AN EGSTRAVIGANZA TEA PARTY

Wednesday 25th March 2026 @ 3:15pm

£10 per ticket. Bookable through the Arbor App
Limited Availability

See you there!

EGG HUNT

The poster features a green background with colorful bunting, two rabbits sitting on decorated Easter eggs, and several more decorated Easter eggs at the bottom.

ABM Theme Day Menus

ABM, our catering company, will be organising some great theme day menus after the holidays. You can book these on Parent Pay directly. They all sound delicious!



YEAR OF THE HORSE
新年快乐
2026

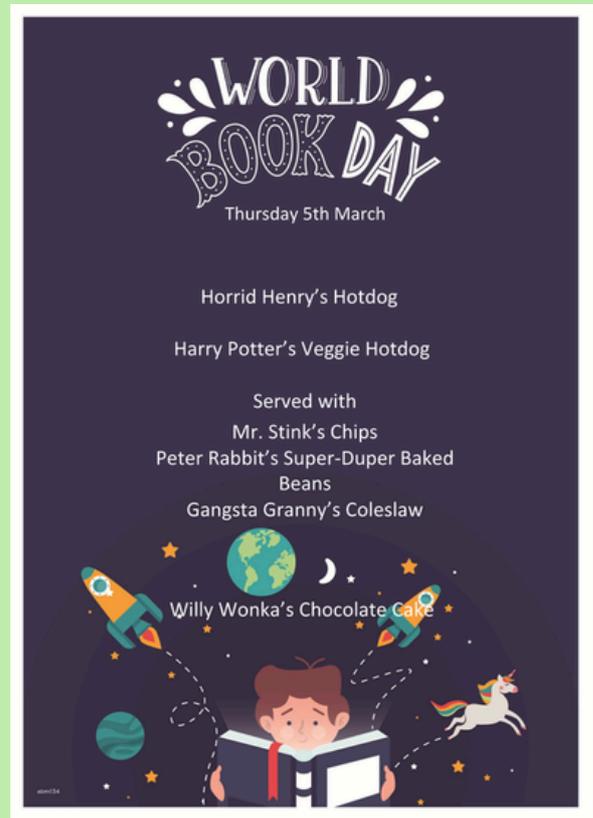
CELEBRATE
LUNAR NEW YEAR

Tuesday 24th February 2026

Chinese Chicken Noodles
or
Vegetable & Five Bean Noodles

Served with
seasonal vegetables

Dessert
Vanilla Ice Cream



WORLD
BOOK DAY

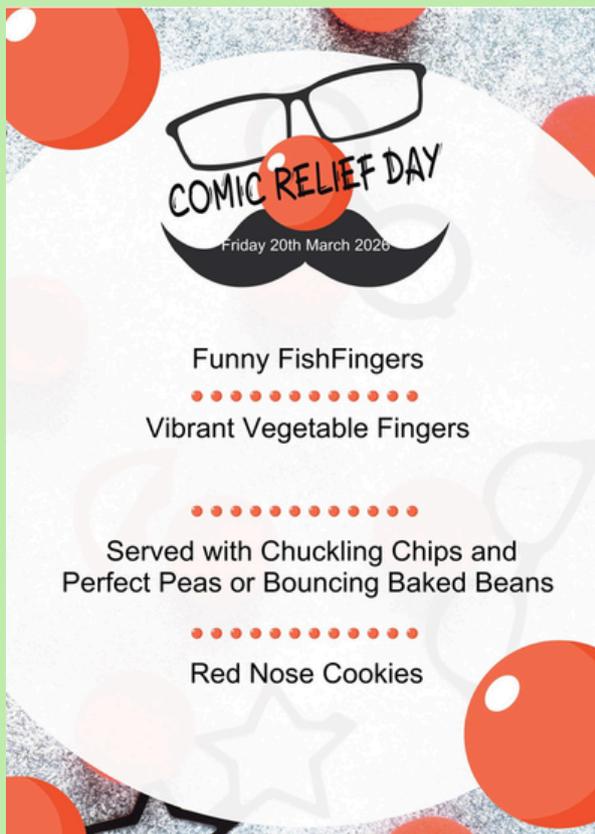
Thursday 5th March

Horrid Henry's Hotdog

Harry Potter's Veggie Hotdog

Served with
Mr. Stink's Chips
Peter Rabbit's Super-Duper Baked
Beans
Gangsta Granny's Coleslaw

Willy Wonka's Chocolate Cake



COMIC RELIEF DAY

Friday 20th March 2026

Funny Fish Fingers
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Vibrant Vegetable Fingers

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Served with Chuckling Chips and
Perfect Peas or Bouncing Baked Beans

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Red Nose Cookies



Eid
MUBARAK

Tuesday 24th March

Chicken Biryani

Or

Chickpea & Vegetable Biryani

Served with
Vegetable Samosa

Carrots and Peas
Kheer with Sultanas
(Rice Pudding)