



# Yorkmead Primary School

## Friday 16th January 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all from my staff and I! We wish you a prosperous 2026.

As we have begun the new calendar year, I spoke with the children at last Tuesday's whole school assembly about this half term's value of curiosity and setting new year resolutions. For many families these may include the following: getting to school on time, completing reading logs and TT Rockstars, completing homework and handing it in on time, remembering all of their equipment to have a successful day at school. This includes glasses, water bottles, book bags, swimming kits (when required) and coats. If your child is absent please ensure you inform school by 9:15am.

On page two you will see our school uniform expectations. Please ensure that your children comply with these. Therefore, looking smart and presentable. Parents will be contacted if uniform is incorrect.

Any parent who has an outstanding dinner money balance must clear this or send their child with a packed lunch from Monday. Deficits cannot increase. Thank-you.

### **Inset Days' 2025 — 2026**

Please note the following inset day, school will be closed to all pupils.

Monday 20th July 2026

### **Workers of the Week:**

Year One	Amelia (West Midlands) & Ihsaaan (Warwickshire).
Year Two	Yaqub (County Antrim) & Amayah (Devon).
Year Three	Whole Class (Gwynedd) & Xayarni (Gloucestershire).
Year Four	Jawad (Scottish Highlands) & Rahma (Dorset)
Year Five	Amelia (Cheshire) & Affan (Hampshire).
Year Six	Elias (Suffolk) & Rasha (Yorkshire).



Well done Year 5!  
Whole school attendance this week: 94.9%

Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
92.8%	93%	92.6%	95%	96.7%	97.9%	95.6%

Best Wishes,

Mr Newman-Smith



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### Early Years Department

A plea from our Early Years department! If anyone has any old wellington boots at home, please feel free to donate them to Reception.  
Thank-you.

### The Monthly Yorkmead Social

Come and join Mr Newman-Smith, Mr Sutton and others for a chat.

This is not a workshop!  
This is not a parents' evening!  
This is not formal!

It is simply a chance to chat, you can drop in anytime between 3-3.30pm and stay for as long or as little as you like. We will provide tea and biscuits but feel free to bring along your own food and drinks and snacks if you prefer to share.



**Wednesday 28th January 3-3.30pm.**



### School Uniform

#### **The school uniform is as follows:**

- Head scarves: navy blue only.
- Shirts/polo shirts: white only.
- Cardigans/jumpers: navy blue only.
- Trousers/skirts/pinafore: grey only.
- School shoes/boots: black lace/Velcro only. NO TRAINERS unless it is PE day.
- Tights: grey only.
- Girls' hair ties must be either black or navy, no bows/ribbons/flowers/headbands.
- No hoop earrings, studs only.

PE kits - plain black bottoms (can be shorts or tracksuit bottoms) with a plain white top and trainers.

From Monday, I will ask Mrs Crathorne to contact parents if there are issues around school uniform.

