



Yorkmead Primary School

Friday 23rd January 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank-you to those parents who turned up this week to watch their child's clarinet/brass performance. I am extremely disappointed to have to remind parents about not filming or taking pictures during school productions. Not all parents give permission for their child's image to be used/recorded. If you have recorded this morning or taken pictures, please delete these immediately.

Even though this is the beginning of a new year, the same old persistent issues around parking on the pavement and not following the highway code continue. Can I urge all parents who have issues take photos and upload to the following website: www.birmingham.gov.uk/parking

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.

Next week we are forecast to have snow. If the weather affects school, we will communicate with parents via text message and the school website.

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	Ayesha (West Midlands) & Mickale (Warwickshire).
Year Two	Ayuub (County Antrim) & Amar (Devon).
Year Three	Amelia (Gwynedd) & (Gloucestershire).
Year Four	Ubaid (Scottish Highlands) & Carter (Dorset)
Year Five	David (Cheshire) & Mohsin (Hampshire).
Year Six	Muqaddas (Suffolk) & Armaan (Yorkshire).



Well done Year Five!
Whole school attendance this week: 95.8%

Reception	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six
92.7%	95.5%	91.7%	95.1%	98.4%	98.7%	97.4%

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.





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Diary Dates 2026

Tuesday 27th January	Yr1 Parent Reading Meeting - 9:00am - in the school hall.
Monday 9th - 13th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 10th February	Yr4 visit to the Symphony Hall - please make payment using School Money.
Friday 13th February	Half term.
Monday 23rd February	Back to school.
Thursday 26th February	Yr2 visit to the Gurdwara - please make payment using School Money.
Wednesday 4th March	Play Village visits our Nursery - please make payment using School Money.
Thursday 12th March	Yr3 visit to the Mandir.
Tuesday 17th March	Reception visit the Transport Museum.
Friday 27th March	End of term.
Monday 13th April	Summer term begins.
Friday 22nd May	Half term.
Monday 1st June	Back to school.
Friday 17th July	End of academic year.

More dates to be added throughout the school year.