

Friday 4th February 2022- Newsletter 18

A message from Miss Towler...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has definitely been a tough week after we unfortunately had a number of confirmed cases throughout school. As always the whole school team: children, parents and carers and the staff, have been fantastic keeping going through what has been a week of many changes. Over the last two years, we have managed to keep Covid relatively at bay, however, this week has been more of a challenge. School staff are wearing masks throughout school, windows are being left open to increase ventilation, we have additional cleans in the toilet areas and now we have been required to keep teams separate where there are higher numbers of cases. Thank you for all your support this week, it is always appreciated. We are certainly looking forward to being back to normal and can't wait to have our postponed disco very soon. More news on this to follow next week.

For all our children who have been learning at home, well done for keeping going even though it has been hard. A special well done to the Parents and Carers as well who have no doubt seen enough of fractions and division for a little while!

Wishing you all well,

Caroline Towler,
Headteacher

Celebrating Chinese New Year in Team Venus!

What a fabulous week Team Venus has had celebrating Chinese New Year! They have loved learning all about China, especially the food tasting from Happy Wok Chinese takeaway. A great opportunity to learn about life in another country.



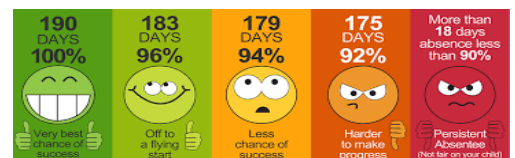
Our school attendance this week is: 75.18%

Our school attendance target is 97%

Top team attendance is: Jupiter: 80%

Saturn: 79.13% Venus Reception: 75% Neptune: 68.08%

*As Government guidance states, your child's attendance is compulsory in school and unless they are unwell or isolating; we ask that you ensure they are in school, on time, every day.



UPDATED: Dates for your diary for the coming weeks

Please see dates for this term's diary. We will always try to give you as much notice as possible if circumstances mean that dates need amending.



Dates	What's happening at TPA?
Monday 7th February - Friday 11th February	Children's Mental Health Week - This year's theme is Growing Together .
Tuesday 8th February	Safer Internet Day - The children will be learning all about how we can keep safe online
	Team Saturn Swimming Session at Tadcaster Swimming Pool
	York Dance Space Dance sessions in PE for Team Neptune and Team Jupiter
	Extra Curricular Dance Club for Y1-4 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Wednesday 9th February	Extra Curricular KS1 Music Club with Mrs Oldfield 3.30pm - 4.30pm Extra Curricular Y3-4 Art Club with Mrs Brooke 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday 10th February	Team Neptune Children's Society visit- Team Neptune will be learning this week about online safety.
	Extra Curricular Drama Club for Y3-4 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February	Whole school learning through week celebrating diversity: <i>Beautifully Different, Wonderfully the Same</i>
Thursday 17th February	Valentine's Disco for Team Venus 3.20pm - 4.00pm
Friday 18th February	Break up for half term
Monday 28th February	Return to school
Tuesday 1st March	Team Saturn Swimming Session at Tadcaster Swimming Pool
Thursday 3rd March	World Book Day
Friday 11th March	Training Day - school closed to pupils
Friday 18th March	Comic Relief
Friday 8th April	Break up for Easter Holidays
Monday 25th April	Return to school
Monday 9th May - Friday 13th May	Y6 SATs week - Please do not arrange appointments or holidays during this week for any Y6 pupils.



Twitter at TPA

Please click on the link below to see if your child is appearing on Twitter right now!

[Tadcaster Primary Academy 🌈 \(@TadPrimaryAcad\)](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

On **Tuesday 8th February**, we will be joining schools and youth organisations across the UK in celebrating **Safer Internet Day 2022**. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers, and more to join together in helping to create a better internet.

Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote at Tadcaster Primary Academy and celebrating Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year.

We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating the day, by continuing the conversation at home. There are links to other useful resources, videos, games etc. You may also be interested in downloading the free Safer Internet Day Education Pack for Parents and Carers which is available at: saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents.

There are also [top tips](#) and [films](#) which you can use at home with your child. Some other resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child online are:

- Advice for parents and carers from [Childnet](#)
- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the [UK Safer Internet Centre](#)
- Guides on popular apps and games from [NetAware](#)
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from [Common Sense Media](#)
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from [Internet Matters](#)
- Information and reporting of online grooming or abuse from [CEOP](#)

Online safety is an important issue which as a school we're committed to teaching our young people about.

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's teacher, in the first instance.

Kind regards,
Mr Ramzan
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Computing Lead
Tadcaster Primary Academy