

Friday 10th November 2023- Newsletter 9

## A message from Miss Towler...

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am really proud of how well the children have returned to school after their half term break. It has been lovely to see all children from our Nursery team right through to Year 6 with smiles on their faces, completely immersed in their learning.



Ten of our children made a fabulous start to the week by successfully completing their Bikeability training. This involves two days of learning how to keep safe whilst riding their bikes. We had some fabulous feedback from their instructors, Lisa and Bob. They both commented on the children's attitudes and fantastic behaviour which was lovely to hear.

This fits really well into our theme across school this half term where we will be helping the children to think about how they can keep safe. As always, we will be welcoming different visitors into school to help the children explore different themes throughout the half term. Please see some shots of the children learning how to keep safe around dogs which the children enjoyed with Lois from Blue Cross.

Today, Team Saturn have enjoyed a fantastic trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park. I am looking forward to finding out more about what they learnt once we are back in school next week.

Next week is anti-bullying week. As you will know children's mental health is something we are really passionate about and the focus for this year's anti-bullying week is 'Make Some Noise'. We will start the week with Odd Socks Day on Monday where we will celebrate being unique. Don't forget to join your children in popping on your odd socks on Monday!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Caroline Towler,  
Headteacher

**Our school R-Y6 attendance this week is: 96.52%**

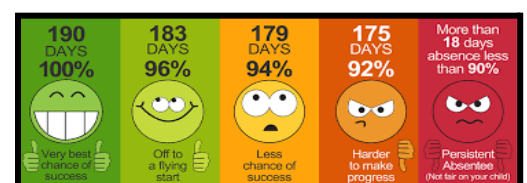
**Our school attendance target is 97%.**

**Nursery: 95.24% Reception: 90.77%**

**Jupiter: 97.31% Neptune: 96.77%**

**Saturn: 98.80% Top Team Attendance!**

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



**Don't forget your Christmas Card orders!**

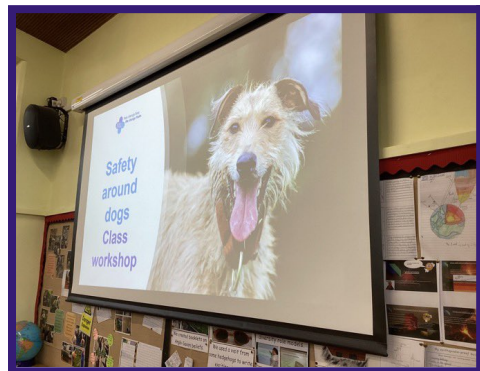
*Don't forget to order your children's personalised Christmas cards and gifts using the details sent home with them this week - deadline for orders is 23:59 on Sunday and items will be delivered early December.*



### Updated: Dates for your diary for the coming weeks including Christmas events!

| Dates                              | What's happening at TPA?   |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Monday 13th - Friday 17th November | <b>Odd Socks day</b> - Monday 13th November which kick starts Anti-bullying Week. The theme this year is 'Make a noise about bullying'. On Monday 13th November children can wear odd socks to school!   |
| Monday 13th November               | Fire Service visit in assembly and in Team Venus   |
| Tuesday 14th November              | <b>Team Neptune trip to Pizza Express and York's Chocolate Story</b>   |
| Wednesday 15th November            | Our local Policing Team are joining us on this afternoon to talk with Key Stage Two about keeping safe online and will carry out some work on being aware on how our online actions affect others.   |
| Friday 17th November               | <b>Children in Need</b> - We will be holding a cake stall so would appreciate any donations. Children can bring along any spare coins and wear something 'SPOTacular'. The spottier and cheerful the better!   |
| Thursday 23rd November             | <b>Everybody Dance at York Theatre Royal for children in Team Saturn</b>   |
| Thursday 7th December              | <b>TPAC Non-uniform day</b> - Children can wear non-uniform and are encouraged to bring a bottle ready for our Christmas Fair the following week. Send any bottles in a gift bag e.g. bubble bath, fizzy drinks, wine, beer and much much more. Please drop off any glass bottles directly to the school office. |
| Friday 8th December                | <b>Training Day</b>  |
| Tuesday 12th December              | <b>Early Years Christmas Extravaganza at 9.10am (more details to follow)</b>   |
| Friday 15th December               | <b>Christmas Jumper Day</b> - raise money for Save the Children - any donations will be sent on to help others   |
|                                    | <b>Christmas Dinner Day</b>  |
|                                    | <b>Christmas Fair after school</b>   |
| Tuesday 19th December              | <b>Christmas Carols by Candlelight 2pm in St Mary's Church, Tadcaster</b>  |
| Wednesday 20th December            | <b>Key Stage One and Two - Christmas evening performance from 5pm (more details to follow)</b>   |
| Thursday 21st December             | <b>Key Stage One and Two - Christmas afternoon performance from 2pm (more details to follow)</b>   |
| Friday 22nd December               | <b>Break up for Christmas holiday</b>  |

*The children in KS1 and KS2 enjoyed the keeping safe around dogs assembly with Louis, from Blue Cross. This is all part of our keeping safe theme in assembles this half term which will*



*include visits from the Police and the Fire Service. If you know anyone who might be able to contribute to our keeping safe theme this term please let us know. Thank you!*

**Don't forget Anti-bullying Week/ Wear Odd Socks Day next week on Monday...**



**Twitter at TPA**

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

[Tadcaster Primary Academy 🌈 \(@TadPrimaryAcad\)](https://twitter.com/TadPrimaryAcad)



## Thank you for not parking at TPA

Thank you to all those families who have responded to our request to no longer park in our school car park. Please don't forget to respect our neighbours and avoid parking on the roads alongside school as they do become very congested. Our local policing team will be dropping by in the area surrounding the school in the coming weeks to ensure that all families are being respectful of the local community and helping to keep our children safe. Thank you!



## Community News



*Tadcaster  
Remembrance Day  
Parade – Sunday  
12th November*

*Click here for more information:* [Remembrance Sunday](#)

On **Sunday 12 November 2023** there will be a Remembrance Day parade followed by a church service in St Mary's Church and wreath laying afterwards at the War Memorial.



SAVE THE DATE  
FOR OUR



# CHRISTMAS FAIR

FREE ENTRY!

FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER

3:30PM - 6:00PM

IN THE PLAYGROUND AND HALL

GAMES • STALLS • FOOD

FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF TPA

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

