

Friday 17th November 2023- Newsletter 10

A message from Miss Towler...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Reflecting on the last few weeks since we returned in September we really have achieved such a lot. With visitors aplenty, fantastic trips to York, Wakefield YSP and Harewood Estate and exciting learning going on we are all very much blessed to be part of Team TPA. The commitment from our staff team, the fundraising efforts of TPAC and the drive of our school governing body have a significant impact on the success of our school. With supportive Parents and Carers and of course the best children in the world (we are very biased!) we have the ingredients for a fantastic school. I am sure some of our newer families won't mind me sharing how complimentary they have been about our school since their children have joined Team TPA, recognising the uniqueness of our school ethos and values.



This week we have packed in visits from Tadcaster fire service and PC Nicholas Woods and a trip to York with Team Neptune who had a calorific and fun filled day making pizzas and finding out all about the history of chocolate (and eating lots of it too!).

We have celebrated our uniqueness with Odd Socks Day which kicked off anti-bullying week. This was expertly planned by our very own Miss Bell and of course we are ending the week with the spotacular Children in Need. Thank you to everyone for bringing in donations of coins and cakes to raise money for those that are less fortunate. We raised a fabulous £116.15!



Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Caroline Towler,
Headteacher



Twitter at TPA

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

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

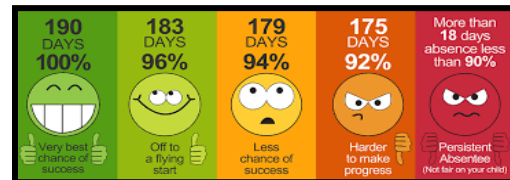
Our school R-Y6 attendance this week is:% 94.79

Our school attendance target is 97%.

Nursery: 90.70% Reception: 90.77%

Jupiter: 95.00% Neptune: 94.19%

Saturn: 98.80% Top Team Attendance!



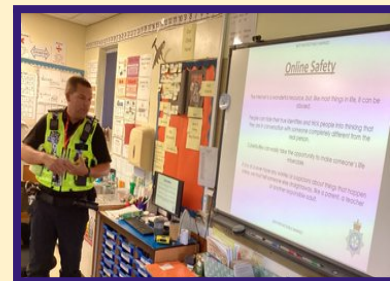
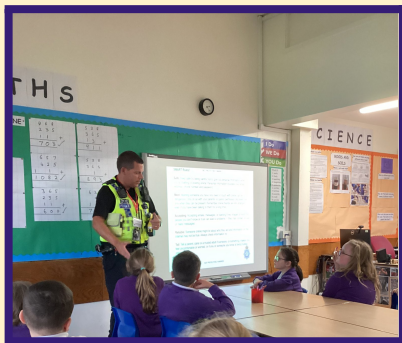
***As Government guidance states, your child's attendance is compulsory in school and unless they are unwell we ask that you ensure they are in school, on time, every day.**

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

Dates	What's happening at TPA?
Monday 20th November	KS1 and 2 Football Club with York City FC Foundation
Tuesday 21st November	Music Club with Mrs Oldfield for KS1 and 2
Wednesday 22nd November	Multisports club with Five Star Sports for KS1 and KS2
Thursday 23rd November	Everybody Dance at York Theatre Royal for children in Team Saturn
Friday 24th November	Individual and sibling photograph day
	Dodgeball Club with Five Star Sports for KS1 and KS2
Thursday 7th December	TPAC Non-uniform day - 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	Training Day - school closed to children
Tuesday 12th December	Early Years Christmas Extravaganza at 9.10am
Friday 15th December	Christmas Jumper Day - raise money for Save the Children - any donations will be sent on to help others
	Christmas Dinner Day
	Christmas Fair after school
Tuesday 19th December	Christmas Carols by Candlelight 2pm in St Mary's Church, Tadcaster
Wednesday 20th December	Key Stage One and Two - Christmas evening performance from 5pm (more details to follow)
Thursday 21st December	Key Stage One and Two - Christmas afternoon performance from 2pm (more details to follow)
Friday 22nd December	Break up for Christmas holiday

Keeping safe...learning from the experts!

As I mentioned last week this half terms' focus has been keeping safe. As part of this we have enjoyed watching the children experience opportunities to find out more about how we can keep safe from a few different visitors. We have welcomed the Fire Service from Tadcaster, PC Nick Woods this week, and last week Louis from Blue Cross. By learning how to keep safe around dogs, near water, out and about on dark nights and when online we are equipping our children with the skills to know what to do in a potentially difficult situation. See what they can tell you about what they have learnt.





In preparation for
our Christmas
Fair...

Bring a Bottle!

Thursday
7th
December

**FOR NON
UNIFORM DAY**

donations can include bottles of food, drink and
toiletries in a bottle bag





School Photographs

Our Individual Child School Photograph day is next Friday, 24th November.



Based on Parent and Carer feedback regarding our previous provider we will be using a new photograph company: Tempest Photography.

During the morning of 24th November, the photographer will take children's individual photographs as well as sibling photographs. There is no need to arrive early if your children already attend school. However, if you have a younger child who does not attend nursery on a Friday or does not yet attend school and who you would want a joint photograph, please arrive at 8.40am via the school entrance for this to be taken.

"Have you dusted off last year's Christmas jumpers only to discover they're too small? Fear not, we have a solution! Donate those outgrown Christmas jumpers to us at school so others can enjoy them this year! We will ask for a small donation when buying jumpers so we can raise funds for Save the Children at such a special time of year.

If you have a jumper that is a little too small or large..bring it along and then drop it off at school via your child's class teaching team. We will then get them ready for a Christmas jumper sale in preparation for our Christmas jumper day on Friday 15th December. More details to follow regarding our resale date...

