

Friday 3rd October 2025 - Newsletter no.5

## A message from Miss Towler....

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*This week we have held our Open Day, welcoming new families into school. Over recent weeks we have invited prospective Reception parents to school to see what we offer. It has been lovely celebrating what is special about our school. We have heard some lovely feedback from potential new Parents who are really appreciating the support we offer for Wrap Around Care, the learning opportunities and how we prioritise children's wellbeing. Please spread the word about our wonderful school as we are keen to welcome new families to both our Nursery setting and our Reception team in 2026.*

*Don't forget to book your child's place in our Breakfast or After School Club for next week. We are getting more and more children joining the clubs which is lovely to see. For more information please see overleaf for details of the club times and costs. The children spoke so positively in assembly today about what they are enjoying about Hub Club and the other coach led sessions as well. Miss Bell's cheese and ham wraps have been going down a storm too!*

*Have a lovely weekend.*

*Caroline Towler,  
Headteacher*

Wrap-Around CARE

**Our school R-Y6 attendance this week is: 96.7%**

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

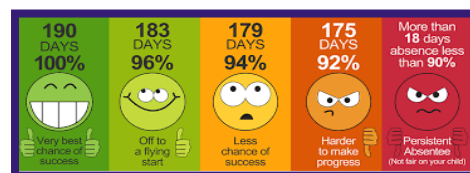
**Team Neptune: 95.3%**

**Team Saturn: 99.1% Top Team Attendance! 🙌**

**Team Venus Reception/Y1: 95.7%**

**Team Nursery: 96.6%**

**\*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.**



## Your Weekly Attendance Update

At this stage in the term we would expect that the majority of our children would have attendance of 100% as it is unusual for pupils to have time off after 25 days of school. If your child has had one day of absence then they will already have attendance which is below the government required figure of 96% or our Academy Trust target of 97% .

Don't forget when children are absent from school it is challenging for your child to pick up learning that they have missed and also difficult for the teaching team to support them with their learning.

| 100% Attendance:  | 99-97% Attendance:   | 96-95% Attendance:   | 94-90% Attendance:  | Below 90% Attendance:                        |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| <b>Fantastic!</b><br>We celebrate this excellent achievement. | <b>Very Good.</b><br>This is a great level of attendance, showing strong commitment to your child's education. | <b>Good.</b><br>This shows your child is consistently in school. | <b>Worrying.</b><br>At this level, your child is missing almost a month of school over the year, which can have a significant impact on their learning. | This is considered <b>Persistent Absence</b> |

## Updated: Dates for your diary for this term.

| Dates                   | What's happening at TPA?  |
|-------------------------|---|
| Monday 6th October      | MSP meetings for children on the SEND register (see individual invites sent home)   |
| Monday 13th October     | Nursery, Reception & Year One Phonics Meeting with Mr Foster at 4.30pm  |
| Thursday 16th October   | FitFence sessions for R-Y6 pupils   |
| Friday 17th October     | Hate Crime Awareness session with PCSO Kylie Boyle with all Y4,5,6 pupils   |
| Monday 20th October     | Parents Evening for all Teams 3.40pm - 6.00pm   |
| Tuesday 21st October    | Harvest Festival at 2pm at St Mary's Church for all families (Nursery - Y6)   |
| Wednesday 22nd October  | Parents Evening for all Teams 3.40pm - 6.00pm   |
| Monday 27th October     | Break up for Half Term  |
| Monday 3rd November     | Back to school  |
|                         | Team Neptune - Everybody Dance event at York Theatre Royal (see details shared)   |
| Wednesday 12th November | Individual photographs with Evelyn Sweet Peas - individual and sibling photographs for all pupils. Please note if you would like younger siblings to join in bring them along at the start of the day. If you have a younger child who is not in Nursery this day you may bring your Nursery child along at the start of the day. |
| Thursday 13th November  | Children in Need (more details to follow shortly)   |
|                         | TPAC Neon disco (more details to follow shortly)  |
| Friday 14th November    | Training Day - School closed to children  |

### Harvest Festival - make sure you add this date to your diary!

We are really looking forward to our Harvest Festival which will take place at St Mary's Church in Tadcaster on Tuesday 21st October. It is always lovely to get together in the Church and wonderful to see our families. For those families who have children in Nursery to Year 6 you will receive a harvest ticket which will admit two adults per family. Please bring this ticket along with you on the day. Unfortunately we are unable to give out additional tickets for this event.



We will also be accepting any donations of non-perishable foods eg cans, pasta, rice etc and any toiletry items. Please send these in with your child the week before the Harvest Festival. All donations will be shared with Tadcaster Food Bank and the Wetherby and District Foodbank. We can't wait for this special event in our school calendar and the children are certainly loving their singing rehearsals in preparation.

### We are now on Instagram!

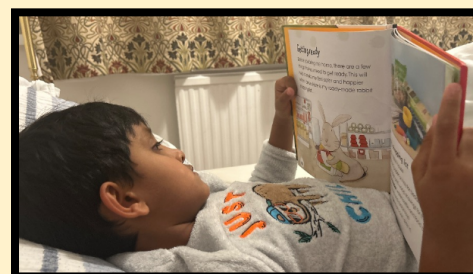
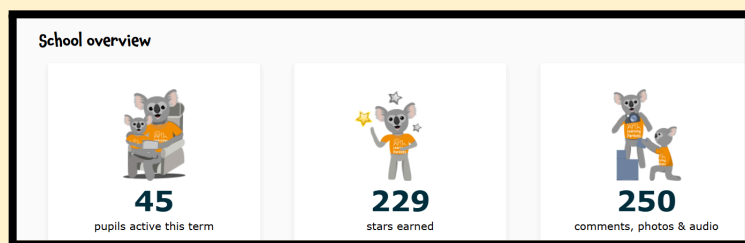
Check out our new social media account. Please sign up to Tadcasterprimaryacad and see if your child is appearing on Instagram.



## Is your child reading at home?

Children benefit greatly from reading at home as it significantly boosts their vocabulary, language, and academic skills, while also fostering empathy, confidence, and a love for learning. Home reading environments create comfortable spaces for concentration and offer opportunities to bond as a family, supporting development and preparing children for success in school and beyond. Please see the link below which shares more information about the benefits of children reading:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/resources/reading-benefits/>



Just over half of our children are now logged on Learning with Parents and their families are sharing photos and audio clips of their reading. Let's get everyone on there now Team TPA! The children love seeing each other reading at home during our Friday assembly.

## Our Wrap Around Care Offer - please support our clubs!

### Wrap Around Care - Breakfast and After School Clubs

#### Breakfast Club - led by Miss Wilson and Mrs King

| Day       | Timings         | Breakfast options                   | Cost  |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Monday    | 8.00am - 8.45am | Cereal and toast/ waffles/ pancakes | £4.50 |
| Tuesday   | 8.00am - 8.45am | Cereal and toast/ waffles/ pancakes | £4.50 |
| Wednesday | 8.00am - 8.45am | Cereal and toast/ waffles/ pancakes | £4.50 |
| Thursday  | 8.00am - 8.45am | Cereal and toast/ waffles/ pancakes | £4.50 |
| Friday    | 8.00am - 8.45am | Cereal and toast/ waffles/ pancakes | £4.50 |

Parents book children's breakfast club space on **Child Care Bookings**.

#### Message from Miss Bell and Miss Wu:

*The club runs from Monday to Thursday, 3.30pm-5.30pm. If during this time you would like to go to one of our sports or music clubs, you can. Otherwise you can join us in the Hub to have some fun with arts/crafts/games, or just chill out. We're looking forward to seeing you there!*

Click here if you would like to book your child a space in our Wrap Around Care provision: <https://tadcaster.cbfs.uk/>



#### After School Club - led by Miss Bell and Miss Wu Hub Club runs from 3.30pm - 5.30pm

| Day       | Timings                            | Meal                  | Cost   | Extra Curricular Club running for Y1-Y6 from 3.30pm - 4.30pm |
|-----------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Monday    | 3.30pm - 4.30pm or 3.30pm - 5.30pm | Wrap, fruit and juice | 3.30pm to 4.30pm - £4.50<br>3.30pm to 5.30pm - £9.00 | Dodgeball Club with Five Star Sport                          |
| Tuesday   | 3.30pm - 4.30pm or 3.30pm - 5.30pm | Wrap, fruit and juice | 3.30pm to 4.30pm - £4.50<br>3.30pm to 5.30pm - £9.00 | Music Club with Rebecca Oldfield                             |
| Wednesday | 3.30pm - 4.30pm or 3.30pm - 5.30pm | Wrap, fruit and juice | 3.30pm to 4.30pm - £4.50<br>3.30pm to 5.30pm - £9.00 | Multi skills Club with Five Star Sports                      |
| Thursday  | 3.30pm - 4.30pm or 3.30pm - 5.30pm | Wrap, fruit and juice | 3.30pm to 4.30pm - £4.50<br>3.30pm to 5.30pm - £9.00 | Dance Club with York Dance Space                             |

All clubs can be booked as part of the After School Club offer and are charged at the rate of £4.50 for the first hour or £9.00 for two hours. Bookings are placed on the Childcare Bookings website.