

# Newsletter

Friday 17th October 2025 - Newsletter no.7

## A message from Miss Towler....

Dear Parents and Carers,

We started the week with our Phonics meeting which was held with the Parents of Nursery, Reception and Year One children. Thank you to all the families who were able to attend the meeting with Mr Foster. In the new year school will be in touch with Parents and Carers about our meeting for the children in Year One as they will have a phonics screening test in June. Look out for updates coming up soon and the 'save the dates' information overleaf for this and other statutory assessments for Y1, 4 and 6.

Next week we have our autumn term Parents evening which we ask all families to attend. You should have received your child's appointment time today however if you haven't please ask your child's class teacher who will ensure you have the timings. At Parents Evening we will have our TPAC preloved uniform sale out on show ready for families to purchase from.

Yesterday morning we welcomed Fit Fence into school to deliver fencing sessions to all the children in Reception through to Year Six. The children really enjoyed their time developing this new skill and definitely got stuck in! Check out the photographs here and on instagram to see what fun the children had.

This afternoon PCSO Jo Spooner delivered a really important Hate Crime Awareness input to all children in Years 4, 5 and 6. This was a very thought provoking session and certainly encouraged the children to think about respecting the different people that make up our diverse community. It built on the learning from my assembly on Monday about two of our school values: respect and tolerance.

Have a lovely weekend.

Caroline Towler, Headteacher





## Your Weekly Attendance Update

Our half termly attendance analysis has taken place today and so shortly some of our families will be receiving attendance letters based on their child's absences this half term. If your child has an attendance below 96% then you will be receiving a letter to notify you that your child's attendance is below the government requirement. If your child's attendance is at 90% or below then you will be asked to come into school to attend a persistent absentee



meeting. This is something that all schools are required to carry out for absences that are 10% or over. A "persistent absentee" is a student who misses 10% or more of their school days throughout an academic year, which is equivalent to missing 19 or more days. This can be a result of illness, disengagement, or other challenges, and schools monitor this to provide support. Persistent absence negatively impacts a child's education, and schools are required to contact families and discuss absences further where this is the case.

#### Wrap Around Care

This week the children have taken over our Wrap Around Care update for our newsletter. Please read on to find out what the children are enjoying.





'It's very fun and you get to do different things'

It's great for all different kinds of people. Because it's really unique and everything is beautiful.'

'I think it's good because you get to build dens and you have fun in it and you get to have snacks and there are lots of books!'

'The wraps are amazing!'

'It's just amazing'

'Miss Wu loves to do origami with you and different crafts'.

Our school R-Y6 attendance this week is: 95%

Our school attendance target is 97%.

Team Neptune: 92.7%

Team Saturn: 97.5% Top Team Attendance! 👏

Team Venus Reception/Y1: 91.3%

Team Nursery: 97.4%

\*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.



#### Save the Dates

Please see the following dates when children will be completing statutory assessments. It is really important that your child is in school and is not absent for medical appointments or holidays.

Thank you for your support with this.

Year Group	Dates	Reason
6	Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May 2026	Key Stage Two SAT assessments
4	Monday 8th June - Friday 12th June 2026	Year One Phonics Screening Check
1	Monday 1st June - Friday 12th June 2026	Year Four Multiplication Tables Check

Upda	ted: Dates for your diary for this term.
Dates	What's happening at TPA?
Monday 20th October	Parents Evening for all Teams 3.40pm - 6.00pm (please use the front school entrance)
Tuesday 21st October	Harvest Festival at 2pm at 5t Mary's Church for all families (Nursery - Y6) Don't forget your tickets!
Wednesday 22nd October	Parents Evening for all Teams 3.40pm - 6.00pm (please use the front school entrance)
Friday 24th October	Team Saturn trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park (see letter shared with parents)
Monday 27th October	Break up for Half Term
Monday 3rd November	Back to school
	<b>Team Neptune</b> - Everybody Dance event at York Theatre Royal (see details shared)
Thursday 6th November	Money Ready session 1 delivered by MyBank education - supporting children in Teams Saturn and Neptune to understand the importance of managing their money
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	Money Ready session 2 - supporting children in Teams Saturn and Neptune to understand the importance of managing their money
	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 next Tuesday afternoon!

We are really looking forward to our Harvest Festival which will take place at St Mary's Church in Tadcaster next Tuesday at 2pm. 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 should have received a harvest ticket which will admit two adults per family. Please bring this ticket along with you on the day.



Just a reminder 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 at some point throughout the week. 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!



# TPAC Feedback Survey

Would you be able to support TPAC with valuable feedback? If you can complete the survey (link below) they would really appreciate it, and if you provide your name/contact information you will be entered into a prize draw to win a 'Family Night In Hamper'.

Be in it to win it!

<u>Please click</u> here to complete our survey!





## We are now on Instagram!

I'm on Instagram as @tadcasterprimaryacad. Install the app to follow my photos and videos



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