

Newsletter



March 2025

Basic Skills

Creativity

Emotional Literacy

Positive Contribution

Message from Mrs Bradbury....

Over the last few weeks, the children have wowed me with their commitment and progress. So many children are achieving personal bests and are pushing themselves to achieve more. Thank you for supporting your children. Making sure they do homework, practise spellings and read regularly at home makes a huge difference to how well they do and what they can achieve. I can't wait for the 'impressive performance' assembly on Friday where staff will nominate children for excellent academic achievement or for being the most improved learner in each area.



Over the last half term, we have had several educational visits. REY and Clever Kittens enjoyed a visit from Little Town of Play and loved pretending to do all the different job roles. Out of school, Year 1 visited the Botanical Gardens, Year 2 Boston Park Farm and Year 3 studied the river in Crowden. In addition to this, we had our first ever Year 5 residential. The children rose to the challenge of staying away from

home admirably. Thank you to all of the staff for organising these visits. Huge amounts of work go into making them happen for the good of our children.

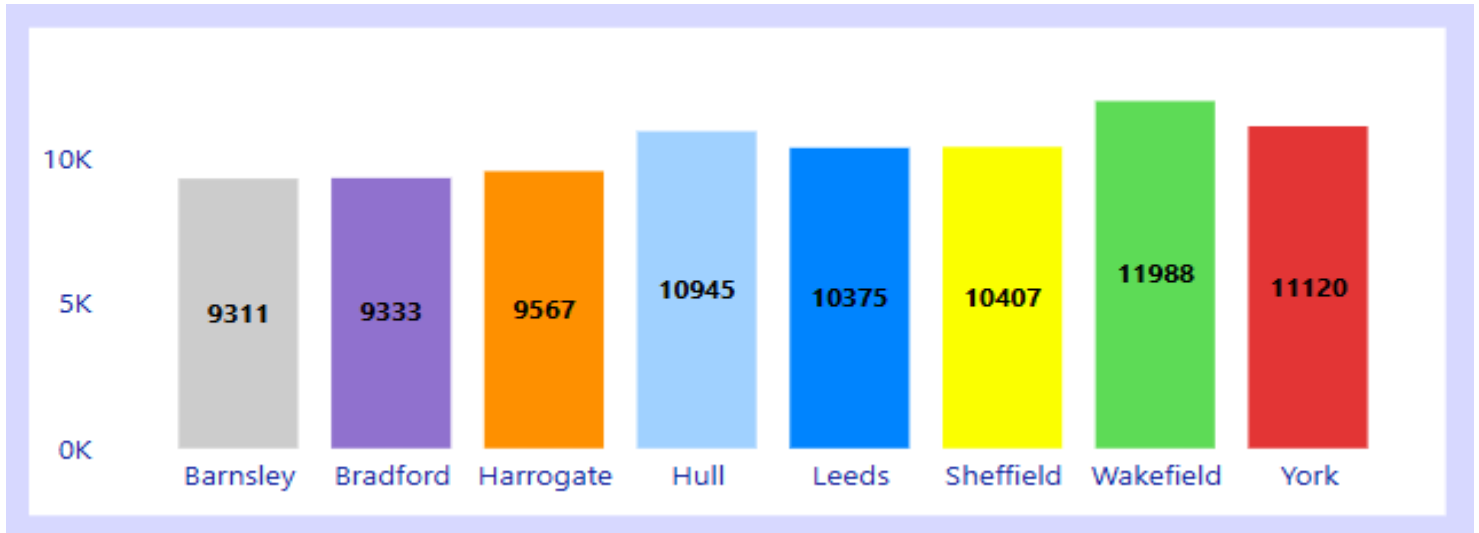
In addition, children have represented our school at the EIS, Rotherham Minster, RUFC Football quarter finals and taken part in a parkour event. It has been a really busy few weeks! The children have done an excellent job of representing our school.



Recently, we have been working with Rotherham Parent Carer Forum, Educational Psychologists, Learning Support and Sensory Specialists around neurodiversity. We have built on lots of the things already in place in school and used the specialist advice to make adjustments around school that will benefit all of our pupils. At a recent coffee morning, some of the parents shared some of the joys and difficulties of having a neurodiverse child. If you do see someone struggling when their child is in crisis, giving the grown-up a reassuring smile or offering help is really appreciated. Sometimes it is the small things that make the biggest difference and we wouldn't want anyone to feel that they were on their own.

House Points Update

Wakefield remain the house to beat at the moment!



	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Top Scorers	Brady C Noah G	Thomas A Weru N	Olivia M Kaleb P	Liliana H Jessica L	Andrei M Tayah L	Oscar C Jacob W

Attendance and Lateness

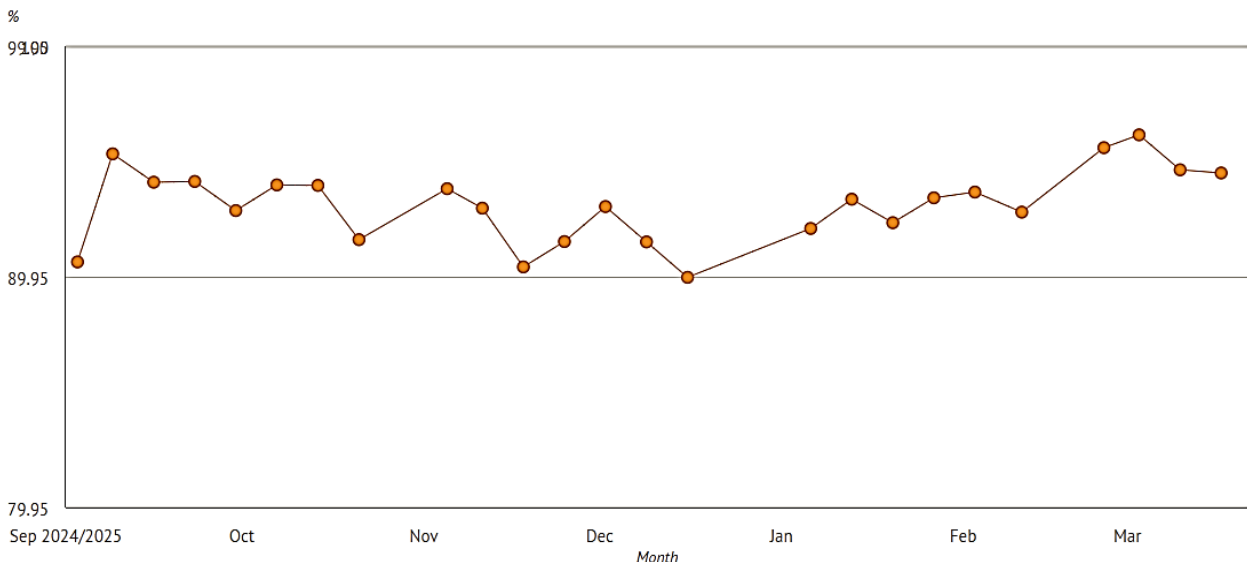
Attendance achievement.....

For the spring term the schools attendance is 95.1%, hitting the national average. We appreciate the effort made by parents to ensure children are in school everyday.

Unfortunately, Fridays seem to be letting our attendance figures down, due to the number of students off.

As part of our summer term commitment to reaching the trust target attendance of 97%, we will be carrying out spot checks particularly for those students who are persistently absent on Fridays.

Although we have seen a fantastic increase in attendance, punctuality is still proving an issue which can massively impact on children's learning. We will be holding meetings after the Easter holidays for those who continue to be late or persistently absent and letters will be sent out with appointments this week.



What's coming up

Upcoming trips and experiences

Year Group	Trip	Date	Payment info
Clever Kittens	Cannon Hall	20 th June	Coming soon...
	Teach Rex	24 th June	Coming soon...
FS2	Shirebrook		Coming soon...
	Teach Rex	24 th June	Coming soon...
Year 1	Yorkshire Wildlife Park	1 st July	On Arbor
Year 3	One Voice	17 th June	Coming soon...
Year 4	Ewden Water Treatment	6 th or 7 th May	Coming soon...
Year 6	Kingswood Residential	9 th -11 th June	On Arbor
	Scarborough	9 th July	Coming soon...

Easter Raffle

3 different hampers available to win

Tickets will be on sale

- Parents' Evening
- In the office from Monday 10th March

£1 per strip

Easter Disco

FS2 and KS1

3.00-4.00pm

£3.50

Includes drink and snack

KS2

4.15-5.30pm

£3.00 entry fee

Snack shop will be available
to purchase a treat.

Easter Bonnet Competition

The theme of the bonnets/ hats is 'celebration'.

All entries must be in school on Thursday 17th
April. Judging is at 9am.

Free entry and delicious prizes to be won.

Parental help is encouraged – this is a family
project.



Tickets are available to
purchase in the school shop
on Arbor

Can we please remind you...

Lunch Supervision and Dinners

All school meals should be paid for in advance on Arbor. Huge thanks to the vast majority of parents who do this.

Breakfast Club

Every day, we offer breakfast club for our children from 7.45am.

- £3.00 FS2- Y6
- £4.00 REY and Clever Kittens

Rainbows

Every day, we offer after school childcare. This is across in our REY building.

- Home time to 4:30 Children have a light snack e.g. toast £5.50
- Home time to 5:30 Children have a bigger snack e.g. beans on toast £10
- **On a Friday, Rainbows offers Forest School Friday until 4:30 where the children take part in outside activities too e.g. cooking on a campfire, den building, scavenger hunts.**
- Later finish is available at additional cost.

Clubs must be **booked and paid** for in advance on Arbor.

Parking

The zig zag lines outside of school are there to protect our children and not to be parked across.

Please can we remind you the car park is for staff use only and should be used under no circumstances unless agreed in an emergency.

Cashless

We are now cashless school and any payments must be made through Arbor.

Key Dates for 2024- 25

April	Mon 14 th	Return to School
	Wed 16 th	Easter Disco
	Fri 18 th	Good Friday – School closed
	Mon 21 st	Easter Monday – School closed
	Tue 22 nd	Class photos
May	Thur 1 st	Collect from class
	Mon 5 th	Bank holiday Monday- school closed
	12 th – 15 th	Y6 SATs – Y6 pupils must attend during this week
	19 th – 23 rd	Careers Week
	Fri 23 rd	Non Uniform day - £1 donation or bring a bottle for the Summer fayre tombola

	Sat 24th – Sun 1st June	Spring Bank Holiday
June	Mon 2rd	INSET DAY
	Tue 3 rd	Return to School
	3 rd – 13 th	Y4 MTC check – Y4 must be in school during this period
	9 th – 13 th	Y1 Phonics Screen Check – Y1 must attend school during this period
	9 th – 12 th	Y6 residential
	Mon 9 th	Collect from class
	Sat 14 th	Summer Fayre
	Fri 27 th	Sports day (If weather allows)
	Thur 24th	Summer Holidays

ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
Children and Young People's Services
TERM TIMES - 2025/2026 SCHOOL YEAR

September (22 days)						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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November (20 days)						
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August						
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 Denotes School Holiday

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