



### LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97%

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Nursery (Seahorses)	-93.7%
Reception (Turtles)	- 97.6%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	- 99.5%
Year 2 (Puffins)	- 93.7%
Year 3 (Sharks)	- 100%
Year 4 (Penguins)	- 100%

**Well Done Sharks and Penguins!**

### STARS OF THE WEEK

**Callan Thorburn  
Lilly Brown  
Maisie Spuhler  
Jack Forsyth  
Kamil Sikora  
Scarlett Arries  
Poppy Hall**

### 2019/20 SCHOOL DIARY

Thursday 30th January	3.15pm—Meeting for Y3 Parents for Y4 Robinwood
Friday 14th February	Parents to classrooms to see books after assembly
Friday 14th February	3.15pm - School Closes for Half Term
Monday 24th February	School reopens
Tues 17th & Weds 18th March	PARENTS' EVENINGS

### After School Cricket Club

This week we restarted our Cricket Club which runs after school on a Monday with Tom Vickers. There is still a number of spaces available in this club, for children in Y2- Y4. Please call in and see Mrs Dellbridge in the school office if you would like your child to take part.

Tom has also been taking our Turtles children for cricket lessons on Monday afternoons. The children have thoroughly enjoyed these and are already building up a range of cricketing skills!

### PARKING AROUND SCHOOL

Thanks to everyone who shared our recent Facebook post about parking on the yellow zig zag lines outside school. These lines are there for the very good reason of helping to keep children safe around the school entrances. We have requested that traffic wardens attend more regularly in the hope of preventing parents from parking on these lines. Unfortunately, we have a small number of parents who repeatedly park on these lines, putting other children at a greater risk of collision with vehicles. Please help keep our children safe by parking responsibly around school and also not bringing vehicles into the school car park which is limited to staff, visitors and deliveries.

### OUR NEW READ WRITE INC READING BOOKS

The children seem to be really enjoying our new RWI reading books that they have been taking home. Unfortunately, there have already been 2 or 3 of these that have 'gone missing'. We have spent a considerable amount of money on these books and ask that parents help children to look after these books and return them safely to school when asked so that other children can also benefit from them!

### 50 MILE AWARDS!

This week we presented another five 50 Mile Awards for children who have walked or run over 50 miles during our Golden Mile time this year. We try to give the children the opportunity to do an extra 10 minutes of physical exercise every day and many children are already showing that they have improved the distances they have been travelling over that time. Well done to all of the children who have achieved these awards!

### ROBINWOOD MEETING FOR Y3 PARENTS

For the past 10 years we have taken our Year 4 children on an exciting residential visit to the Robinwood Activity Centre at Alston in the Pennines. Most years, every single child in the class has attended the visit and thoroughly enjoyed the experience of being away with their friends and taking part in adventurous activities such as climbing, the Giant Swing and, Piranha Pool. We are already planning our visit for November and would like to invite parents of our Y3 children to come along to a meeting straight after school on **Thursday 30th January** in the Y3 Classroom to discuss this further as we really need the vast majority of the children in the class to attend in order to make the trip possible.

### ONLINE SAFETY

As part of our online safety lessons we often talk with the children about how important it is to communicate respectfully with others online—this could be when using email, texts or whilst playing games. We are aware that many of our children have mobile phones and even have social media accounts (despite age recommendations). We strongly recommend that parents regularly monitor children communications as many of them do not fully understand the implications of what is being said online or how it might be interpreted..

### PUNCTUALITY TARGETS

Our target for lates this half is less than 32. We did not start well with an especially bad day last Friday. **WE EXPECT THE CHILDREN TO BE READY TO COME INTO SCHOOL PROMPTLY WHEN THE DOORS OPEN AT 8.45am.** This gives them a settled start to the day.  
**So far this half term we have 15 lates.**

### SWIMMING—NEXT WEEK

Swimming lessons next week are for Y1 on Thursday and Y3 on Friday. Please ensure that children bring their swimming kits and contributions to school on the morning of their lessons.

### WORD OF THE WEEK CHALLENGE

We choose 5 favourite words in each class each week as well as class words of the week for our Friday assembly. It is important that the children really know and understand the word that they bring in—these do not need to be long or complicated words, just a word that your child now knows the meaning of! Each week the class teacher will choose a selection of these words to discuss with the children during the week and therefore widen their vocabulary. This week's words of the week are: environment (Jack S), excruciating (Joe M), pressure (Faith E), menacing (Corey F)