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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back after the half-term holiday. We hope you all enjoyed Halloween and are looking forward to a safe bonfire night.

The children have settled back into school well after the week off and we all have our fingers crossed that the run up to Christmas is one that is not as disrupted as last half-term or last year's Christmas build-up due to Covid.

Whatever you are doing this weekend, I hope you have an enjoyable one and I hope that if you are attending a bonfire or fireworks display you all have fun, stay warm (in the colder weather) and safe too. Your children should now be experts in staying safe around bonfires and fireworks after the assemblies this week.

Take care and stay safe,

Paul Quarry

Headteacher

NURSERY CLOSURE – THURSDAY 11th November

Unfortunately, as many of you will now be aware, we will need to close Nursery on Thursday 11th November for the day to allow us to have a new boiler installed. We need to do this as soon as possible due to the decrease in temperatures and this was the earliest opportunity to do so. All other classes will remain open, including Upper Foundation Stage as it is only the Nursery part of the building that is affected. Nursery will be open again as usual on Friday 12th November.

POPPY SALES

We have received a number of different poppy related items to sell in school which we will put on sale next week from Monday morning. Pupils can bring money into school and we will have the items on sale either on the playground first thing on a morning or at playtime. An email has been sent to parents and carers regarding this.

LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOPS

We have attached, with this newsletter, some information about some local lantern making workshops being held prior to the lantern festival at Hemsworth Water Park on December 2nd.

ASSEMBLIES

This week, we have been learning about keeping safe on Bonfire Night around bonfires and fireworks.

Some questions you could ask your children to check their understanding could be:

- Can you tell me 3 things you should do to stay safe around bonfires and fireworks?
- What should you wear on your hands when holding a sparkler?
- Why should you never go back to a lit firework that does not go off?

Attendance – Autumn 2 – Week 1









Year Group	Attendance (%)
UFS	97.0%
1	93.3%
2	98.5%
3	97.8%
4	97.3%
5	98.0%
6	98.6%
School Average	97.2%

Target = 97%

This week, congratulations go to Year 6 who were our attendance champions.

GOLDEN WORKERS

This week we have RECOGNISED pupils who have been RESPECTFUL around school.

<i>Golden Assembly - Core Values</i>		
	Respect being respectful being tolerant being kind	
	Resilience being resilient showing perseverance valuing self-worth	
	Responsibility being responsible being honest being reflective	
	Recognition showing appreciation taking pride	
Date:	Autumn 2 - Week 1 - Friday 5 th November 2021	
Year group	Pupil	Reason
1	Callum	For having wonderful manners and always saying please and thank you to children and adults around school. He is a friendly and polite member of our school.
2	Ellie	For always using her good listening skills to show respect to staff and other children in our classroom.
3	Franklin	For being an extremely polite, kind and thoughtful pupil, who always listens carefully and treats others with respect. He is a great role model to his class.
4	Savanna	For always being polite and using her manners and she is a kind and friendly member of year 4.
5	Ebony	For always being kind and helpful to others in class, helping others when they are stuck, and for always remembering her manners and being polite.
6	Jacob	For being consistently polite and respectful to everyone, no matter what.

DIARY DATES – Autumn 2 – 2021-22	
DATE	EVENT
Monday 1 st November	School re-opens for Autumn 2 half-term
Monday 15 th November – Friday 19 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 16 th November	Year 3 – Stone Age Day
Wednesday 17 th November	School Nurse Screening for Y6
Friday 19 th November	Children in Need
Friday 26 th November	School Photos
Wednesday 1 st December	Flu Mist Vaccination
Monday 6 th December – Friday 10 th December	Assessment Week
Friday 10 th December	Christmas Fair and Art Gallery – Calendar Sale PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED LIKELY TO BE PUPILS ONLY THROUGH SCHOOL DAY
Tuesday 14 th December	Nursery and UFS Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Wednesday 15 th December	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Thursday 16 th December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Friday 17 th December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Friday 17 th December	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 4 th January	SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR SPRING TERM

STANDARD ITEMS

Free School Meals Information

PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR PARENTS / CARERS OF PUPILS IN UFS, YEAR 1, YEAR 2 or YEAR 3

You can apply for income-related free school meals on the Wakefield local authority website:

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/free-school-meals>

You are now able to complete the form online so it really has never been easier:

<https://forms.wakefield.gov.uk/Forms/schools/freeschoolmeals.aspx>

If your child is in UFS, Y1 or Y2, they are eligible for Universal FSM but **you can still apply if you think you are eligible for income-related free school meals**. If your child is in Year 2 and receiving universal free school meals, please remember that this will stop when they move into Year 3 (**if your child has just moved into Year 3, this means that unless you are entitled to FSM, they will no longer received free school meals**), so please ensure you have applied if you think you eligible.

School receives additional funding for the number of pupils in receipt of free school meals and it has never been as important as it is now to try to provide crucial interventions to help pupils catch up – any additional funding will help us to achieve this goal.

SAFEGUARDING AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBING SUPPORT

Wakefield I Can - Online resource for children and young people in Wakefield

<https://wf-i-can.co.uk/>

Hazlehurst Centre – sexual violence and/ or sexual abuse support

<https://www.hazlehurstcentre.org/>

CHILDLINE – Removing Nude Images

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/remove-nude-image-shared-online/>

The Hideout – Domestic Abuse advice and support for children

<http://thehideout.org.uk/>

WDDAS – Domestic Abuse advice and support

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/adults-and-older-people-services/domestic-abuse>

Relationship Matters – advice about parental conflict

<https://relationshipmatters.org.uk/>

Talk to Frank – Information about drugs

<https://www.talktofrank.com/>

Turning Point – Advice and support for drug and alcohol problems

www.turning-point.co.uk/wakefield

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

<https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/services/forensic-child-and-adolescent-mental-health-services-camhs/>

Young Minds

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

NSPCC

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

Samaritans

<https://www.samaritans.org/>

The Children's Society

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/see-hear-respond>

Barnardo's

[Believe in children | Children's charity | Barnardo's \(barnardos.org.uk\)](https://www.barnardos.org.uk/)

Winston's Wish

[Winston's Wish - giving hope to grieving children \(winstonswish.org\)](https://www.winstonswish.org/)

Wakefield Families Together

<https://www.wakefieldfamilies-together.co.uk/>

ONLINE SAFETY

Parent Info – help and advice for families in the digital world

<https://parentinfo.org/>

Thinkuknow – advice and guidance to keep children safe online

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

NSPCC – Online Safety

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Lego – Online Safety

<https://www.lego.com/en-gb/sustainability/children/digital-child-safety>

Net Aware (NSPCC) – Guidance about games and apps

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/>

CEOP - Child exploitation and Online Protection

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>

OTHER USEFUL SITES / CONTACTS

Wakefield SEND Local Offer

<https://wakefield.mylocaloffer.org/Home>

STAR – Bereavement Support

<https://starbereavement.org.uk/>

ICON – Coping with crying babies

<https://iconcope.org/>

NHS – 999 for emergencies or 111

POLICE – 999 or 101 for non-emergencies

CHILD LINE – 0800 1111