

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our latest newsletter as we reach the end of a very busy half term. As always, this edition is packed full of highlights of things we have been up to and loaded with dates of upcoming events. Please make sure you add these dates to your calendar or, alternatively, use the calendar on our website which can be found here: [School Calendar](#) Have a lovely half term break and see you all back in school on Monday 3rd November.

World Mental Health Day



On Friday 10th October, all classes took part in meaningful activities to celebrate **World Mental Health Day**, focusing on kindness, self-care and emotional well-being. Through creativity, conversation and connection, the children helped spread the message that mental health matters — for everyone, at every age. Together, we're creating a supportive environment where talking about mental health is encouraged and embraced.

Year 6 Netball Court Orienteering Event



Children from Year 6 took part in a Netball Court Orienteering competition on Friday 10th October against other local cluster primary schools. All children worked brilliantly together to solve problems associated with maps and remember specific routes and numbers. Hensall were victorious and received the credit they deserved from Mr Jackson, who was seriously impressed with some of the winning times. Onto Cross Country after half term!

Phoenix Martial Arts Day

On Monday 13th October, Phoenix Martial Arts visited our school to deliver exciting workshops to all of our classes. The children all thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and were taught various different techniques promoting key values such as respect, focus, resilience and wellbeing through an active and exciting martial arts session. The sessions taught children how to warm up before exercise, some basic martial arts skills, pad work drills and then finished off with a high energy reward game focusing on speed,

agility and concentration. Your child will have brought home a leaflet for anyone that might decide to pursue martial arts as a hobby.



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Tropical World

On Tuesday 21st October, Rowan class and Beech class visited Tropical World in Leeds. The visit was a celebration of our learning around our geography topic of rainforests, particularly the Amazon Rainforest. The children had an amazing time exploring the site, looking at animals and insects ranging from exotic butterflies to a range of reptiles.

The students completed an engaging workshop focusing on rainforests. The school adults were blown away by the super knowledge that the children recalled when asked by our experts. The tutors focused on the four layers of the rainforest, the animals that we would find in each layer and what we all need to do to help rainforests thrive. We also explored chameleons and even had one of our very own girls dress up as one! It was a brilliant day, well done to all children for conducting themselves amazingly!



New EYFS AND KS1 Outdoor Area



We're excited to share that our EYFS and KS1 outdoor area has been completely refurbished! The previous space had become run down after a period of much love and enjoyment. We recognised how important it is for children to have a safe, engaging and inspiring environment to explore and learn through play.

The new outdoor area has been thoughtfully designed to support all areas of development including fostering curiosity, creativity and active learning in nature. We can't wait for the children to make new discoveries, build confidence and enjoy every moment in their new space!



Flu Vaccination Programme

The flu Vaccination will take place in school during the afternoon of Monday 24th November. This is for all children from Reception to Year 6. Please use the following link to let us know your wishes regarding this programme by completing a 'Yes' or 'No' consent: [Flu Vaccination Programme](#)

Parents Evening

Autumn Parents Evenings will take place on the following dates:

Tuesday 25th November from 3:45 pm until 6:15 pm

Thursday 27th November from 3:45 pm until 6:15 pm

Details of how to book your slot will follow after the half term break..

Christmas Performances

The Christmas Performances will take place on the following dates:

EYFS and KS1 (in the hall)

- Tuesday 16th December at 2:15 pm
- Wednesday 17th December at 9:30 am

KS2 (in the church)

- Tuesday 16th December at 9:30 am
- Wednesday 17th December at 6:00 pm

Details of how to reserve your seats will follow nearer the time.

Beech Class – Change to PE Days

Following the half term break, Beech Class will change their PE day from a Monday to a Thursday. Please ensure your child dresses in their PE kit on a Thursday.

Bag2School Collection

Our Bag2School collection will take place on Monday 10th November after 9:00 am. If you are planning to clear out any cupboards over the next couple of weeks and would like to donate any of the following items for reuse: good quality adults and children's clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts and handbags, our school will receive money for our school funds. Thank you for your support!

FHS Pumpkin Disco

Don't forget to book your child's place at the [FHS Pumpkin Disco](#) taking place after school on Thursday 6th November, 2025.

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair will take place in school on Friday 12th December from 2:30 pm. Full details of this event and how you can support us will follow.

Christmas Cards with My School Printing

The proof of your child's Christmas Card design has now been sent home together with an order form. If you would like to order Christmas cards, mugs, wrapping paper etc. Please complete and return your order form to school and pay for your items through ParentPay by the deadline date of **Thursday 6th November**. Everything we sell raises money for our school funds, so thank you for your support.



Show & Tell and Toys etc. in school

We are seeing an increasing number of toys, loom band etc. being brought in to school. Children do not need to bring their own toys into school. Everything they need throughout the school day will be provided for the children. If children need to bring in a toy in for any reason, the class teacher will send a message to parents.

Children can bring items in to school for Show and Tell, these should be limited to certificates and trophies/awards or photographs from a special event or holiday.

Other items such as lip balms, sunglasses, throat sweets etc. can also cause a distraction in school. Please speak to a member of staff if there is a medical reason why such items should be in school and we can arrange for these to be kept safely until needed.

Online Safety

Please find a link to a Parents Online Safety session recording and presentation:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1DDUX3CKWSa1H0LKffTzJgE-M5yHbRvZB?usp=sharing>

There is also a video for those who would prefer to watch it via a browser or share this link:

<https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/online-safety-parent-session-oct-2025/>

ParentPay

In ParentPay there is an agreed maximum debt per child of £30.00 in total across payment items. This includes payment for any swimming lessons, school dinners, extra-curricular activities etc. Miss Mills has sent out reminders this week to parents who have outstanding balances to clear, can parents keep their accounts up to date please? Thank you.

Hensall School Instagram

Please don't forget to follow our Hensall School Instagram page which showcases the highlights of life inside our school, with a focus on events and class learning. This is an open page, giving potential new members

of our school a chance to have a flavour of life at Hensall School before visiting us. Please have a look: [Hensall Instagram](#)

FHS Facebook Page

The FHS have asked all parents to follow the FHS Facebook page. This will be packed full of all the information you need to know about upcoming events. It will also detail opportunities for you to get involved if you can spare a little bit of time! [FHS Facebook](#)

Start of the school day, late arrival at school and appointments

This is a reminder that the school doors open for children at 8:45 am and close again at 9:00 am when our gates will also be locked. Children arriving after 9:00 am must be signed in by a parent/carer at the main entrance and will be marked as late in out register.

If your child needs to miss school during the day for an appointment (Doctors, Dentists, Opticians etc.), evidence, either a letter or text for example, should be provided to the school office for the absence. We ask that such appointments be made outside of school times whenever possible. Our Attendance Policy can be found on our website here: [Pupil Attendance](#)

Dates for the diary for Academic Year 2025/2026

(New dates added in red)

- Wednesday 5th November, 2025 – Bonfire Lunch
- Thursday 6th November, 2025 – Pumpkin disco at the Methodist Church
- Monday 10th November, 2025 9:00am – Bag2School Collection
- Friday 14th November, 2025 – BBC Children in Need (Details to follow)
- Monday 24th November, 2025 – Flu Vaccination Programme (Rec to Y6)
- Tuesday 25th November, 2025 – Scholastic Book Fair arrives in School (opening dates to follow)
- Tuesday 25th November, 2025 from 3:45 pm until 6:15 pm – Autumn Parents Evening
- Thursday 27th November, 2025 from 3:45 pm until 6:15 pm – Autumn Parents Evening
- Thursday 11th December, 2025 – Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 12th December, 2025 at 2:30 pm – Christmas Fair
- Tuesday 16th December, 2025 at 9:30 am - KS2 Performance (in the church)
- Tuesday 16th December, 2025 at 2:15 pm - EYFS and KS1 Performance (in the hall)
- Wednesday 17th December, 2025 at 9:30 am - EYFS and KS1 Performance (in the hall)
- Wednesday 17th December, 2025 – Christmas Lunch (menu to follow)
- Wednesday 17th December, 2025 at 6:00 pm -KS2 Performance (in the church)
- **Monday 27th to Tuesday 28th April, 2026 – Y4 Residential to PGL Dearne Valley**
- Thursday 29th January, 2026 – Young Voices Concert
- Wednesday 8th July to Friday 10th July, 2026 – Y6 Transition Days at The Snaith School

Dates for the diary for Academic Year 2025/2026

(New dates added in red)

- **Monday 28th to Wednesday 30th September, 2026 – Y6 Residential to PGL Dearne Valley**

Useful Links:

Homework Policy: [Homework Policy](#)

Term Dates 2025-2026: [Term Dates 2025-26](#)

Attendance Policy: [Pupil Attendance](#)

Behaviour Policy: [Behaviour Policy](#)

Sun Safety Policy: [Use of Sunscreens](#)

The school has many policies and procedures; you will find some of the more important ones listed on our website here: [School Policies](#) If you cannot find what you are looking for, please contact the school office.

Useful Contacts

Kid's Corner – Breakfast Club and After School Club

Breakfast Club from 7.00am and After-School Club to 6.00pm in partnership with Kids Corner.

Please find below the contact information for Kids Corner Breakfast and After School club at Hensall:

Hensall Setting Mobile: 07593 721242 (Only available during club times - 7:00 am to 8:45 am and 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm)

Leanne Ramskill Mobile: 07593 720386 (Contactable throughout the day for ad hoc, last minute bookings etc.)

Email: bahensall@kidscornernurseries.co.uk

If you do not already have an account set up with Kids Corner but think you may need to use their wraparound care in the future, please consider setting your account up now so that you have access to the booking system. This will make things much easier if you have a last minute requirement. Booking links can be found here: [Wraparound Care Bookings](#)

Local Events

Thursday 30th
and Friday 31st October

HALLOWEEN

AT SKYLARK CENTRE

10.00 – 2.30, last entry 2pm

- WOODLAND TRAILS
- SPOOKY SPINNERS
- CREEPY CRAFTS
- STEM ACTIVITIES

SKYLARK CENTRE - YO8 8GX

Barlow Common Rd, Marsh Ln, Park Rd, Barlow Common Rd, Barlow Park Ln, Barlow C of E Primary School, Skylark Centre and Nature Reserve, Skylark Centre, Park Lane, Barlow, Selby, YO8 8X

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Thursday 30th

2.30 to 4.00