

Friday 13th December 2024



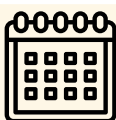
Coming Up

We have a very busy half term ahead. Please keep checking your emails and notifications for updates.

New afterschool clubs start in January - please ensure you have booked a place as they are filling up fast!

Diary Dates

Dates For Your Calendar



Inset days for academic year 2024-25

- Friday 10th January 2025
- Monday 2nd June 2025
- Monday 21st July 2025
- Tuesday 22nd July 2025

16.12.24 - Christmas Craft Morning Y5 & Y6 9.30am - 10.30am
16.12.24 - Choir visit to Holyrood House
17.12.24 - Christmas Craft Morning Y3 & Y4 9.30am - 10.30am
17.12.24 - Year 5 visit to York Museum
18.12.24 - Christmas Craft Morning Y1 & Y2 9.30am - 10.30am
19.12.24 - EY story time with Santa 4pm
20.12.24 - Christmas Craft Morning EYFS 9.30am - 10.30am
20.12.24 - Christmas Jumper and Class Christmas Parties PM
20.12.25 - Break up for Christmas

Christmas Holidays

06.01.25 - Back to School
09.01.25 - Multi faith visitor
10.01.25 - Inset Day
21.01.25 - Y2 Visit to Pontefract Castle
28.01.25 - Young Voices
07.02.25 - World Number Day

Update from the Head

Hello everyone,

It has been an incredibly busy but fun week! On Monday, the whole school went to St Botolph's for a wonderful Christingle service. The children were impeccably behaved and showed respect and tolerance towards others, see the picture below.

A huge well done to all children and a big thank you to staff for their hard work for some absolutely fantastic Christmas performances. Thank you to all the parents/carers who came, we hope you enjoyed them as much as us!

Christmas dinner on Thursday was fantastic! Big thank you to our kitchen staff for cooking up such a spread! "This is really good. 10/10! I like the stuffing!" Jack, Y5 "The best bit was the Brussel sprouts, the mash and the turkey!" Brynley, Y5.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas Fair, we really appreciate your support.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Cooke



Early Years



Nursery have had a wonderful week full of fun Christmas celebrations. On Monday we enjoyed the local area on a walk to the church, where we participated in a Christingle service. We all sang songs and learned about why we celebrate Christmas. Nursery made us incredibly proud with their first Christmas nativity, singing in confident voices. Nursery have started to learn how to write their name - well done Nursery!

Reception have breezed into the Christmas season in class this week by displaying calm and confident voices when performing their Christmas Production. We are all very proud with their performance. Learning continues to take place as normal and in phonics we have been reviewing Phase 3 sounds and perfecting our blending skills. The children are also writing more sentences and they are beginning to understand that we write left to right, include finger spaces between words and use capital letters and full stops.

Miss Sheppard and Miss Mooney



Year 1



We have had a very lovely and exciting start to our Christmas celebrations!

On Monday we enjoyed a walk to our local Church and took part in a Christingle service. We sung songs and learnt all about why we celebrate Christmas!

On Wednesday, Year 1 made us extremely proud when they performed in their Christmas Nativity, they did an amazing job singing and performing so confidently and sensibly!

We are looking forward to next week for more Christmas celebrations!

Miss Scott



Year 2



We have had an extremely busy but fantastic week in Year 2!

On Monday, we visited our local church and experienced a Christingle service. The children were so sensible walking to and from the church and had lots of questions to ask once we were inside.

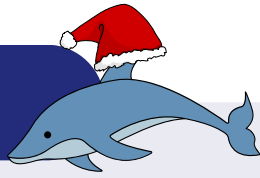
On Wednesday, we performed our Nativity and wow, what an amazing performance we put on! We were so proud of all of the children and how well they all did. I'm sure there will be some performers in the future!

Well done on an amazing week Year 2!

Miss Colley & Mrs Lilley



Year 3



What a busy but superb week we have had in year 3 this week. The children were fantastic in their Christmas nativity, well done! We have also had a visit to St. Botolph's church for a Christingle service which was brilliant and the children sang their hearts out.

This week we have also finished our writing unit, history unit and science unit. The children have been fantastic and given 100% effort in all their learning. Well done year 3, I am super impressed!

Reminder: PE is on Thursdays. Could all children please bring their PE kit in on Mondays and take it home on Fridays.

Mrs Parish



Year 4



What a festive and enjoyable week we have had in year 4!

On Monday we visited our local church for a Christingle service. Everyone was incredibly sensible and enjoyed the experience.

We also had our Christmas Concert this week. It was a wonderful performance, everyone did brilliantly, from the reading to the singing - it was a joy to watch!

This week have been finishing learning about the digestive system and food chains in science. We are very excited for the final week of term and the rest of the Christmas activities!

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Cutler



Year 5



What a week!

Firstly, the Christingle service was wonderful! Year 5 absolutely loved lighting their candles on their Christingle, and they sung wonderfully!

Secondly, that Christmas performance! Oh my word they were incredible! I was so proud of all of them, as I know you all are.

Lastly, the children have been hooked on the story of Pompeii and Mount Vesuvius this week, and loved hearing all about the destructive volcano!

We are very excited for the last week before Christmas!

Have a great weekend!

Miss Slater



Year 6



P.E this half term is every Tuesday and Wednesday. .

We have had a very exciting and festive week this week.

After weeks of practise, the children completed their Christmas performance and it was amazing. Everyone joined in and had fun.

We also embraced Christmas Dinner day, Christmas Jumper day and even had some time to have some more festive fun at the Christmas Fair.

Miss Milton



Safeguarding



Ensuring our pupils are safe and well looked after is our key priority. If you have concerns regarding your child please make an appointment to see the class teacher.

Miss C Milton:
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs L Cooke:
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs C Carratt:
Thrive Practitioner

All staff have received Safeguarding training to ensure that they can recognise signs and symptoms of abuse and also how to report/act if a disclosure is made.

Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child? Contact us: 01977 722486

Out of hours contact number:
03458 503503

For more information:
<https://www.elacademy.org.uk/knowledge-base/safeguarding/>

Attendance



Attendance matters.

Coming to school on time, every day is vital to achieving the best possible outcomes as well as learning good habits which will benefit everyone in the future.

EYFS		92%
Y1		93%
Y2		95%
Y3		97%
Y4		95%
Y5		97%
Y6		91%



Providing children with positive experiences and strategies to embed emotional resilience.

We use The Thrive Approach as a whole school strategy to promote positive mental health and wellbeing of which when this is present in children's lives it has been proven to improve their attendance, behaviour and attainment.

This allows our children to become confident, curious, creative and capable, therefore opens doors to a bright future for our children.

If you would like any more information, please visit:
www.elacademy.org.uk/thrive-mental-health-wellbeing/

Mrs J Simons
Lead Thrive Practitioner



Lets go on a treasure hunt!

On the crisp autumn days why not take part in a treasure hunt for all the family to enjoy.



For information regarding mental health support & advice, please visit the below links:

<https://wf-i-can.co.uk/u13/home/>

<https://www.compass-uk.org/services/wakefield-children-and-young-peoples-emotional-health-and-wellbeing-service/>

Inclusion & SEND



At England Lane Academy we are committed to providing an inclusive education for all our children. This means that any child who may have Special Educational Needs or a Disability (SEND) will have access to additional or specialist support throughout their life at our academy. All teachers are responsible for every child in their care, including those with special educational needs and disabilities.

The Wakefield local offer website has a section dedicated to 'things to do'

A local event is the 'Elephant Club'. A weekly stay and play session for families of children with Special Educational Needs. For more information see the link below.

This is one of many events happening weekly across the district. For more events please see the link below.

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

For further support, please contact a member of the Inclusion team:

- Mrs H Cutler - SENDCo
- Mrs C Carratt - Thrive Practitioner
- Miss C Milton - Designated Safeguarding Lead & Assistant Principal
- Mrs L Cooke - Head of Academy & Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead