

Friday 20th December 2024



Coming Up

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

We hope you have a wonderful Christmas holiday and a Happy New Year.

We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 6th January 2025

Update from the Head

Hello everyone,

Thank you very much to all our parent and carers who have been able to join us for the Christmas Craft mornings this week. The children and staff really enjoyed the sessions and there has been some wonderful creations made.

On Monday the Academy Council and members of the Choir went to Holyrood House to spread some festive cheer and sing Christmas carols to the residents.

Y5 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the Yorkshire Museum and Early Years had a special visit from Santa who visited us especially to spend time with our children and read them some stories.

Merry Christmas from all of us at England Lane. We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 6th January.

Mrs Cooke



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

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
- 03.02.25** - Children's Mental Health Week
- 07.02.25** - World Number Day
- 11.02.25** - Safer Internet Day
- 14.02.25** - Break up for half term



Early Years



Nursery have had a lovely last week of term. The children have been continuing to explore rhyme during our phonics sessions. The children have enjoyed making their Christmas cookies and cards. Our highlight this week is the stay and craft, they have loved being with their adults making different Christmas crafts.

Reception have loved this last week of term. We have continued to review phonics and practice writing sentences. The class have enjoyed making many Christmas crafts and taking part in Maths sessions related to Christmas. The highlight of the week was our craft morning. They loved being with their adults making different Christmas crafts.

Miss Sheppard and Miss Mooney



Year 1



We've had an amazing final week before Christmas!

We have been learning how to draw on our tablets in ICT, we have been using different artists to inspire pieces of work. Year 1 have been using all the skills we have learnt such as using shapes, paint brushes and filling tool.

Year 1 also performed their Music song to Year 2 this week, we learnt how to be confident performers and how to sing in tune and in time with the music.

We hope Year 1 have a lovely Christmas and we are looking forward to the New Year with lots more exciting things ahead!

Miss Scott



Year 2



We have had a lovely final week of term in Year 2.

We have finished our learning about the Great Fire of London, and made our own Top Trumps cards to see what changes were the most positive after the fire.

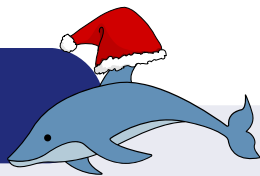
We've also completed our hot task for our discussion text to answer the question of 'who was to blame for the Great Fire of London?' We've had some brilliant debates and taken these into our own writings.

Well done on a brilliant half term Year 2. We hope you all have an amazing Christmas and New Year and can't wait to see you back in January for more exciting learning!

Miss Colley & Mrs Lilley



Year 3



What an amazing week we have had in year 3.

This week we have been working on writing instruction texts. In RE we have completed our unit of Judaism and Christianity. We really enjoyed our Christmas craft morning and we created some wonderful cards and decorations.

This half term has been brilliant in year 3 and we can't wait for Spring term.

Enjoy the holidays and have a wonderful Christmas and we will see you in January 2025.

Mrs Parish



Year 4



What an amazing half term we have had in year 4!

In maths, we have been mastering our division skills. This has been tricky however everyone worked really hard. In writing we have been looking at recounts in newspaper articles.

This week we have really enjoyed the Christmas Craft morning, we made some brilliant crafts!

This half term has been fantastic and we can not wait for Spring term.

Enjoy the holidays and have a fantastic Christmas!

Our P.E. days next half term are Thursday and Friday.

Mrs Cutler



Year 5



What a great last week!

Our highlight of the week has definitely been the trip to the Yorkshire Museum, doing the Time Odyssey. The children absolutely loved it, with some saying it has been their favourite trip at school!

The children were so well behaved and proved why we are outstanding, walking through a very busy York city centre and being the epitome of well behaved! Myself, and all the other staff who went were very proud!

PE next term will be on a Monday and Wednesday, please ensure your child comes to school wearing their school uniform, and then they will get changed for PE.

I hope you and your family have a safe merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year, and will see you in January!

Miss Slater



Year 6



P.E next half term is on a Wednesday and Thursday.

What a brilliant first term the children have had.

This week, the children really enjoyed getting time to spend with their parents/ carers/ friends in order to decorate a range of Christmas cards.

The children have had lots of fun today with their Christmas parties, and got the chance to dance, colour, sing and play some festive games. We would like to wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy new year and we look forward to seeing you all in 2025.

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:
Pastoral Officer

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



97%

Y1



93%

Y2



90%

Y3



95%

Y4



98%

Y5



92%

Y6



94%



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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 C Carratt
Pastoral Officer



The 12 Days of Christmas

Christmas activities for children under 7.



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CHRISTMAAAAS..
or so Noddy
Holder says!

Over the
Christmas holidays
why not enjoy
some festive fun
with all the family!

Happy holidays
and we look
forward to see you
in the new year.



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 - Pastoral Officer
- Miss C Milton - Designated Safeguarding Lead & Assistant Principal
- Mrs L Cooke - Head of Academy & Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead