

Friday 22nd November 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

26.11.24 - Y4 School Trip to Eureka

05.12.24 - Elf Run - Prince of Wales Charity

06.12.24 - Y5/6 Gym & Dance Festival

09.12.24 - Whole School Christingle Service in Church

10.12.24 - EYFS Christmas Performance 9.30am

11.12.24 - Y1, Y2, Y3 Christmas Performance 9.30am

12.12.24 - Y4, Y5, Y6 Christmas Performance 9.30am

12.12.24 - Christmas Jumper Day

12.12.24 - School Christmas Dinner

12.12.24 - School Christmas Fair 3pm

16.12.24 - Christmas Craft Morning Y5 & Y6 9.30am - 10.30am

17.12.24 - Christmas Craft Morning Y3 & Y4 9.30am - 10.30am

18.12.24 - Christmas Craft Morning Y1 & Y2 9.30am - 10.30am

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

Update from the Head

Hello everyone,

I have been greatly impressed this week by some very respectful children acting with thoughtfulness and kindness. Every time a child completes an act of kindness, they receive a bead for our Community Jar.

Big thank you and well done to our Academy Council for their assembly all about 'UK Parliament Week' on Wednesday. They set different classes off on tasks over the week; the children have enjoyed developing their knowledge and understanding.

On Friday we had a visit from Yvette Cooper, MP & Home Secretary. She came into school, had a tour by the Academy Council and spoke to them about her current role in Parliament. She also spent time with Y4 completing a mock debate which demonstrated to the children how Parliament discuss and pass laws.

We said our goodbyes to Mrs Scott-Ward today. A big thank you for all her hard work and support for our children. We wish her all the best for the future.

Well done on a great week! Mrs Cooke



Early Years



Another lovely week for Nursery. The children have started to innovate their story map, looking at different pet animals to do this and the children have enjoyed using role play to embed this. In Phonics, the children focus on body percussion, using their bodies to make different sounds. In Maths, the children have started to learn about a repeat pattern.

Reception have embraced the cold weather by enjoying outdoor learning. They have been making leaf rubbings with tinfoil and building different structures with the big construction materials. In phonics, the children are coming to the end of phase three sounds and we have heard a big increase in all the children blending to read consistently. In maths, the class have continued to learning about numbers 1-5.

Miss Sheppard and Miss Mooney



Year 1



In Maths, we have been exploring fact families. We have been using our part-whole models, and our knowledge of numbers to 10 to find addition and subtraction sentences to match.

In History, we have been exploring transport from the past, looking at how push bikes and cars have changed throughout the years and how they have become much more safer and what safety features have been added over the years.

In PE, we have been working on functional fitness. Looking at different skills such as ball skills and team work to complete activities. We particularly enjoyed doing the elf walks to warm up!

Miss Scott



Year 2



We have had a busy week in Year 2 this week!

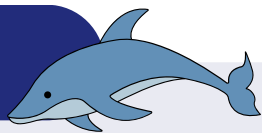
On Tuesday, we had a visit from Sir William Petty who told us the story of the Great Fire of London! We made our own London streets to visualise how quickly the fire spread before drawing our own new London streets that were much more fire-proof. We ended the day by drawing a portrait of Sir William which were amazing!

In maths this week, we have started looking at multiplication and division and will be concentrating on this until Christmas.

Miss Colley & Mrs Lilley



Year 3



What another super week we have had in year 3.

This week we have continued working on subtraction in maths. In writing we are focusing on character description skills and in history we are continuing with our stone age topic and have been looking at the landmark Stonehenge.

This week we have also taken part in UK Parliament week. As part of this, we have learnt about what UK Parliament is and does and our UK Parliament Week activity was to help restore the Elizabeth Tower. The children were fantastic at this and really were enthused by the task and have enjoyed learning about the Elizabeth Tower and UK Parliament.

Super Work year 3! Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Parish



Year 4



Another busy week in year 4!

This week we have begun looking at multiplication of 2 and 3 digit numbers. We have been using our timetables knowledge to do this.

In reading, we have finished 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane' It was not the ending we were expecting. As a whole class we are working really hard on reading, especially bringing and reading our home reading books!

Our school trip to Eureka is next Tuesday, we are very excited for it.

Mrs Cutler



Year 5



What a week!

This week we have been delving into our suspense stories, and started our innovations, I've seen a lot of aliens and werewolves!

In geography we've been looking into how earthquakes happen, and creating a poster to explain the tectonic plates.

In PE we have been working on orienteering and practicing our teamwork skills, which we have been improving!

The children have been loving forest school on a Friday, even with the colder weather! Please make sure your child brings enough layers, the temperature will stay low as we are coming into December.

Miss Slater



Year 6



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

This week in Maths the children have been learning all about decimals and the reasons why they are called decimal numbers.

In computing this week we have become web designers and started to look at the purpose of websites, the features that they have and then they began to plan their front page.

In art this week, the children have been experimenting with oil pastels and water colours and have learnt new techniques which they can use when they create their own George Marston paintings.



Miss Milton

Safeguarding



Ensuring our pupils are safe and well looked after is our key priority.

Miss C Milton:
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs C Carratt:
Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mrs L Cooke:
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

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/>

Mrs J Simons: Thrive Practitioner

Mrs H Cutler: SENDCO

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		98%
Y1		89%
Y2		96%
Y3		95%
Y4		92%
Y5		96%
Y6		93%



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.mylalloffer.org/>

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

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