

Friday 31st January 2025



Coming Up

We have Mental health week next week in school. There will be many activities planned around this throughout each year group.

Update from the Head

Hello everyone,

What a busy week we have had! We kicked off the week with an introduction from Rocksteady who gave us a taster of being part of a band and performed a range of instruments for the children. "My favourite was the electric guitar," Aaliyah, Y3.

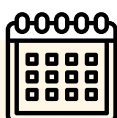
A big well done to all the children who represented our school at Young Voices on Tuesday. They had a brilliant time! "It made me feel good and was so much fun!" Aeryth, Y4.

We recognised the Lunar New Year on Wednesday and how this is celebrated in China. Big thank you to Ryan, Suki and Kiki for bringing a fortune cookie for everyone to enjoy! "They tasted nice, and the notes inside made us think about ourselves and what we might achieve some day. Thank you to Kiki and her family for the cookies!" Casper, Y6.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Cooke

Diary Dates

Dates For Your Calendar



Inset days for academic year 2024-25

- Monday 2nd June 2025
- Monday 21st July 2025
- Tuesday 22nd July 2025

03.02.25 - Children's Mental Health Week

07.02.25 - World Number Day

07.02.25 - Multi Sports Festival

11.02.25 - Safer Internet Day

14.02.25 - Break up for half term

Half Term

24.2.25 - Back to school

25.2.25 - Book Fair in school

04.03.25 - World Book Day

10.03.24 - Science Week

13.03.25 - Y6 trip to Murton Park



Early Years



Nursery have had a wonderful week full of learning. The children have begun to learn their new story, "The Three Little Billy Goats Guff." They have particularly enjoyed hunting for the giant.

In Phonics, the children have been learning their new sound "p" and continuing to learn about voice sounds. In PE the children are continuing to explore gymnastics, mainly focusing on using their body to move in different ways. Nursery enjoyed a wonderful visit from a specialist equine vet. They got to hold a real bone from a horse and dress up as a vet.

Reception have had a lovely week at school. In phonics we have completed all phase 2 and phase 3 letter sounds and we will now be reviewing all sounds to embed our phonic knowledge. In Maths we have begun to learn about numbers 6, 7 and 8. In Jigsaw, we have been learning about obstacles we face and support we need or can give to others.



Miss Sheppard and Miss Mooney

Year 1



We have had a very exciting week in Year 1!

On Monday we started our week with a music treat. We rocked out in the hall and learnt all about instruments we would find in a band, learning how to play the electric guitar, keyboard and electric drums. We then listened to different rhythms and beats to songs that we loved and had a sing-a-long!

In DT this week we we're using our science knowledge all about our senses, to try and taste food. We learnt about our taste buds and texture of fruits and vegetables.

In our PSHE lesson this week we have been learning how to achieve our dreams and goal through team work, working with our partner to create something that we are proud of.

Miss Scott



Year 2



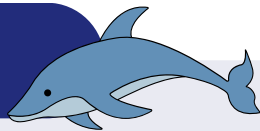
This week in computing we have looked at using different algorithms when using our class robots. We predicted where our robots would end up on our floor mats by using our logic and then had a go on our robots to see if we were correct! The children did really well with their predictions and are becoming experts in handling the bee bots!

We were extremely lucky to start our week with a special music assembly where the children got the opportunity to watch a musician perform a variety of instruments. The musician was greatly received and we had a lot of inspired musicians in Year 2!

Miss Colley & Mrs Lilley



Year 3



We have had another amazing week in year 3.

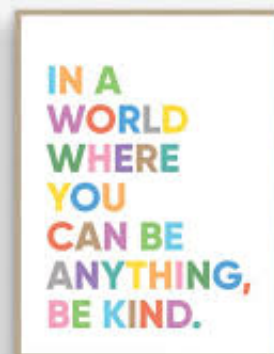
This week we have been discussing in History how fuels have developed overtime. In Maths we are focusing on arrays and making number sentences. In writing we have been on a quest and discussed the emotions and feels we felt whilst doing this.

Each week in year 3 we are now focusing on a theme to develop working towards our Thrive target. This week's theme is to 'Choose Kindness.' We have discussed what kindness is, what it means to be kind and how we can show kindness.

Next week's theme is 'Self-Esteem.'

Amazing year 3! Remember to choose green and be kind!

Mrs Parish



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Year 4



A great week in year 4!

We have had a busy week this week in class.

In writing we have been planning our own portal stories. We are excited about writing them next week!

In P.E. we have been practising our gymnastic skills, we have learnt how to do a forward roll, backwards roll and cartwheel. It was great fun!

In maths we have started looking at fractions and fractions that are the same as each other. It has been tricky but we have worked hard.

Mrs Cutler



Year 5



Another great week in Year 5.

First of all, well done to everyone of the Young Voices children who did amazing on Tuesday! You were all brilliant!

We have been finishing up our writing unit this week, so I can't wait to see what the children have written!

We also had Rock steady in and ukulele lessons start this week, so it's been a very musical week!

We've looked into the moon landing and the first man on the moon, and wondering... where's next?

Miss Slater



Year 6



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

In P.E this week the children have been doing dance and gymnastics and have been putting together sequences.

In Jigsaw this week the children have been looking at global issues around the world. The children have then looked at some of the ways in which they can create their own group projects that could help with these.

In D&T, the children have been learning about the developments in technology and have been learning about Tim Berners-Lee.

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



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Y1



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Y2



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Y3



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Y4



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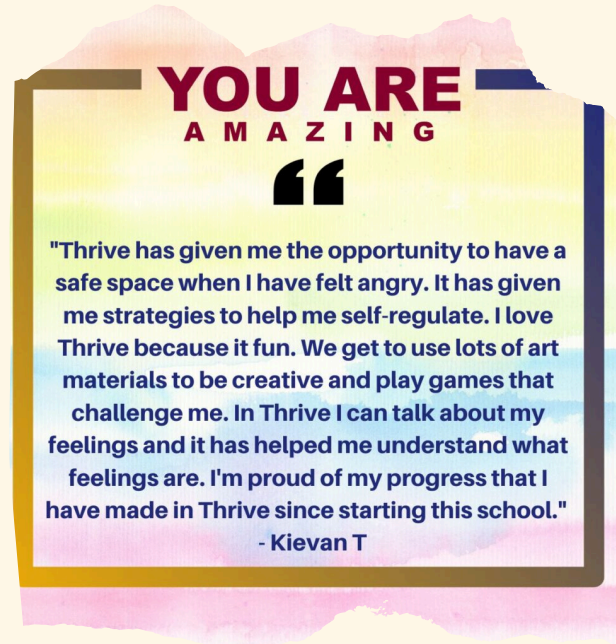
Providing children with positive experiences and strategies to embed emotional resilience.

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



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