

Friday 7th February 2025



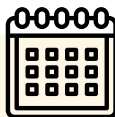
Coming Up

We have a Sports visitor coming into school to visit on Wednesday 26th February, just a reminder that all sponsor forms and monies need to be in Monday 24th February.

We also have 'Safer Internet day' on Tuesday which we will talk about throughout the week. Please find attached a link to read more about this at home.
[online safety information](#)

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

11.02.25 - Safer Internet Day

14.02.25 - Break up for half term

Half Term

24.2.25 - Back to school

24.2.25 - Careers Week

25.2.25 - Book Fair in school

26.2.25 - Great Athletes Event

04.03.25 - World Book Day

10.03.24 - Science Week

13.03.25 - Y6 trip to Murton Park

Update from the Head

Hello everyone,

This week we have celebrated Children's Mental Health Week. The theme has been 'Know yourself, Grow yourself'

Big thank you to Holly from the Community Shop who came into school to talk to students about keeping ourselves healthy and how this helps our mental health. We are looking forward to having her back in to do some cooking workshops soon.

We also had Future in Mind in school who provided us with an assembly about managing emotions and understanding that all emotions are valid. Our Mental Health Champions have spent time in all classrooms completing a range of activities promoting our emotional wellbeing.

On Friday we celebrated Number Day and a love of maths. The children took part in maths activities and dressed up with numbers.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Cooke



Early Years



Nursery have had a wonderful week full of learning. The children are continuing to learn their new story, "The Three Little Billy Goats Guff."

In Phonics, the children have been learning their new sound "i" and are exploring different household sounds. In PE the children are continuing to explore gymnastics, mainly focusing on using their body to move in different ways..

In Phonics sessions, Reception have continued to review phase 3 graphemes. After carry out assessments of children knowledge, the class are doing wonderfully well! In Maths we have been working hard learning about doubling to 8 and finding one less and one more up to 8. In Literacy, we are transitioning over to our non-fiction texts related to The Gingerbread Man and we are learning about recipes and how we make gingerbread.

Miss Sheppard and Miss Mooney



Year 1



We have had an amazing week celebrating Children's Mental Health week! We have learnt lots of different techniques to manage our emotions including 'star breathing', 'pizza breathing', and understanding that if we have a worry or anything we want to talk about who we can talk to at home and in school.

In Science this week we have been learning about animal categories, understanding that some animals lay eggs such as fish, amphibians and reptiles. We have then started an amazing experiment where we put a bird egg into vinegar and we are now watching and waiting for it to turn into a reptile egg!

Miss Scott



Year 2



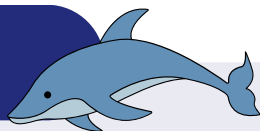
We have had a lovely week in Year 2 celebrating Children's Mental Health Week. We had visits from both the Community Shop and Futures in Mind where we discussed what can make us feel good and explored different techniques to help calm us. We have been spending some time in class completing mindfulness activities and reading story books about our emotions to develop our discussions further.

The wellbeing theme continued in our science lessons where we discussed the benefits of exercise, one being our mental health! We all became doctors and used stethoscopes to measure our heart rates before and after exercise.

Miss Colley & Mrs Lilley



Year 3



What another fantastic week in year 3 this week.

We have completed our Victorian mining topic learning about how mining has developed and the illnesses and diseases that were encountered.

This week some children have gained their pupil leadership delta stars card and all children have gained their online safety card. Well done! Super work!

In forest school the children have been learning the art of bush craft and in writing we are completing our quest story hot writes. I can't wait to read them!

Well done year 3!

Mrs Parish



Year 4



What a busy week in year 4!

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week, in our classroom we have been focusing on positivity. We created our own positivity cups. We filled them with everything that makes happy.

In writing, we have been planning our own portal stories that we will be writing next week. In geography, we have been exploring Greece as a country and looking at the different plants and animals that are native to the country.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Cutler



Year 5



Another great week in Year 5.

This week has been Children's mental health week, and we've used our thrive time to discuss how we can be kind to others, which was a really good discussion with ideas!

We have been discussing more about the Man on the Moon and whether it was real or not, and the children gave very good arguments as to why it did happen.

We have finished our suspense writing and I have been so impressed with the stories the children have written! The children have had their second ukulele session and they have already improved so much!

Miss Slater



Year 6



This week has been children's mental health week and they have had lots of opportunities to learn more about their emotions and how to look after their mind.

On Monday, the children had a visit from someone at the community shop, who taught them ways in which they could stomp out some of their bigger feelings.

On Tuesday, the children had a visit from Future in Minds, where they learnt about how to recognise their emotions and how to regulate themselves when they do have some of their bigger feelings.

Throughout the week, the children have been looking at Inside out Characters and have created some of their own based on other feelings.

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



93%

Y2



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Y3



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Y4



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Y6



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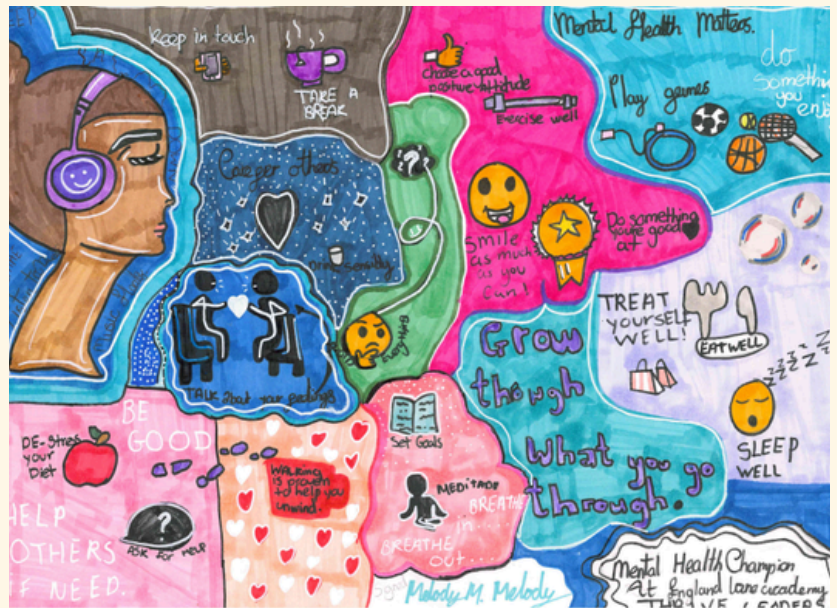
Providing children with positive experiences and strategies to embed emotional resilience.

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