

Friday 28th November 2025



Coming Up

Monday 2nd December is our Reindeer run. The children will take part within their year groups. Please ensure all sponsors are collected by this date and handed into their class.

All proceeds go to the Prince of Wales Hospice.

We have added some more dates below with Christmas things coming up.

Update from the Head

Hello everyone,

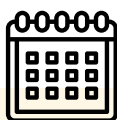
We kicked off this week with some Martial Arts. Now all our classes have had a taste of this great sport and thoroughly enjoyed their session. Thanks to Mrs Parish for arranging such a great experience.

This week has been UK Parliament week. The children have explored how Parliament works and why it is important. On Wednesday we had a visit in assembly from a local councillor who talked about his role and answered lots of questions from the children. Furthermore, the academy council have delivered activities in classes to celebrate.

Thank you to all the parents who came to the SEND coffee and chat session on Friday morning. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to talk with others and share information. We hope to host more of these over the year.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Cooke.

Diary Dates



Dates For Your Calendar

Inset days for academic year 2025-26

- Friday 9th January 2026
- Monday 1st June 2026
- Monday 20th July 2026

- 02.12.25 - Reindeer Run
- 08.12.25 - Whole School Christingle St Botolph's
- 09.12.25 - Y1,2,3 Christmas Performance
- 10.12.25 - EY Christmas Performance
- 10.12.25 - Christmas Fair 3pm
- 11.12.25 - Y4,5,6 Christmas Performance
- 11.12.25 - Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day
- 12.12.25 - Y4 Cooking for parents
- 15.12.25 - Y5&6 stay and craft
- 16.12.25 - Y3&4 stay and craft
- 17.12.25 - Y1&2 stay and craft
- 19.12.25 - EYFS stay and craft
- 19.12.25 - All children can wear Christmas Jumpers



Early Years



Nursery have had another busy week with lots of fun learning. In Phonics we have been exploring musical instruments, matching the instruments sounds and exploring playing them along with singing our nursery rhymes. In Maths we are continuing to learn about a repeating pattern. I wonder if your child can create their own repeat pattern at home? In T4W we have begun learning our new story "How to Catch A Star".

This week Reception have continued learning Phase 3 letter sounds, concentrating on developing their ability to read some 4 letter words and writing sentences. In Maths, the children have explored shapes with 4 sides and found shapes in the environment that have 4 sides. Our T4W sessions have centred on the class learning their new text Stick Man which is already a firm favourite. Can your child retell the story?

Miss Sheppard and Miss Mooney



Year 1



This week we have been innovating our Gruffalo's child story changing our main characters, the weather and using different time openers. The innovations were amazing, we all tried our best to use our phonics and our best presentation.

In Maths we have been adding and subtracting to 20 as well as understanding number bonds to 20. We have been using concrete resources to support us with this, and the children have done extremely well moving onto the larger numbers.

This half term our PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Mrs Forkes



Year 2



This week in Year 2 we have started investigating multiplication. The class have spent lots of time exploring equal groups and how this is linked to multiplication.

In reading we have continued our investigation of the book, The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark. We have spent time making predictions about what we think Plop will find out about the dark.

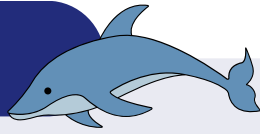
We have continued to investigate The Great Fire of London, exploring how the people of London responded to the fire. We even planned what we would have taken with us if we were in the fire. In French we are learning the names of places in towns and village - can your child tell you one?

PE days are Tuesdays and Fridays. Please make sure that your child has the correct PE kit for those days.

Mrs Lilley



Year 3



We have had a super week this week in year 3. This week we have continued learning about people of the Jewish and Christian faith pray. In writing we have begun to work on our Overcoming the Monster stories and in History we have looked at Iron Age roundhouses and Brochs.

We are also coming to the end of 'this Morning I Met a Whale' in reading and the children are very eager to see how the story ends. Could I please remind you that our PE days are **Wednesdays and Thursdays** this half term. **It is important that PE kit is in school on these days.**

Keep up the super work year 3 and **keep reading at home!**

Mrs Parish



Year 4



Another great week in year 4!

This week we have been multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100. We have also started practising our seven timetables.

In reading, we have read about the battle between the Iron Man and Space Dragon. We are eagerly awaiting next week so we can continue reading and find out who wins.

In writing, we have started our defeat the monster stories we have either decided on a setting of a graveyard or a mountain. We are very excited for next week and the week after with all the Christmas activities up and coming.

Reminder that PE is on Monday and Thursday

Mrs Cutler



Year 5



An amazing week in Year 5!

This week we have been finishing our hot task in writing and plotting the demise of our monster!

We have had two birthdays in class this week and everyone is very excited to perform our Christmas play, which were practising at every given opportunity.

A reminder PE is on Monday and Friday.
Swimming is still on Thursdays.

Miss Slater



Year 6



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

This week, in writing the children have been looking at Fantastic beasts and where to find them and have been learning about how they can use dialogue in their writing to show what characters are like.

In art this week, children have been developing their painting skills and have begun to compile their own pieces of art work based on the work we have done in art this week.

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		97%
Y2		87%
Y3		94% 98%
Y4		95%
Y5		95%
Y6		90%



Thrive

Now that the afternoons are getting darker after school - we need to remember to be walking home from School safely.

Please make sure you are keeping on the footpath, wearing clothing that can be seen well in the dark to oncoming traffic and also if you have a bike, they have lights on so you can be seen.

Being outside in the fresh air is still just as important in Winter as it is in Summer.

We just need to remember to keep safe.

Remember to have lots of sleep and early nights ready for the busy days ahead! Having a nice bubble bath, reading more now the afternoons are darker, watching nice movies with a blanket, eating nice comfort food and even wearing our coziest pyjamas are all the nice things to do now we are in the Winter Season.

Making sure we are looking after ourselves is called self care and we need this to make sure we are being the best we can be.



I matter



Mrs C Carratt
Pastoral Officer



Inclusion &

Mental Health Matters

At England Lane Academy we are committed to providing 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. There are leaflets available in our Reception area for a fantastic support for our parents and carers



**Wakefield
Parent Carer Forum**

Our Mission - Working together to make a positive difference and improve the quality of life for all SEND children and families in Wakefield

Wakefield Parent Carer Forum is an independent parent carer forum supporting families of children with special educational needs and/or disability, aged 0-25 years old, living in the Wakefield district.

The forum is led by a group of local SEND parents who are looking forward to listening to, and representing the views of parents, carers, children and young people now and in the future.

We work in partnership with service commissioners and providers through participation and co-production to make a positive difference and improve the quality of life for all SEND children and families in Wakefield.

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



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