



February 2023

Wykebeck News

HEAD TEACHER UPDATE

We are now half way through the school year at Wykebeck Primary, we hope you had a relaxing half term break. We are very lucky to that our new Nursery space is completed and is a wonderful environment for our children. We have had further restoration work in our surrounding woodland to support the children learning outdoors. We are making strides now to be able to offer our 2-year-old provision in September 2023.

Uniform

Every child received a free school uniform on the first day back, we are pleased that the children are still continuing to wear their uniforms. Children should still come to school in their PE kit on PE days, if you are unsure when this is please ask the class teacher. We would like to ask that they wear their Wykebeck PE kit on those days, on colder days they can wear blue or black joggers or leggings instead of shorts.

Staffing changes

Mr Mulvihill and Miss French continue in their roles in the absence of Mrs Crowther- Riley. There have been no further changes to staffing at this time.

Attendance

Thank you to parents who are ensuring that children attend school every day; we are having a strong focus on attendance again this year and appreciate your support. Please can you make sure you check our website and social media sites for training days. We only have 5 per year and not all Mondays after holidays are training days. Ofsted praised our attendance figures after lockdown, we are however seeing a rise in term time holidays and these cannot be authorised and could result in a fine being issued. This is causing a dip in attendance; this will have an impact not only on attendance but also on your child's learning. **Every school day counts.**

Teacher strike days

We will make every attempt to keep school open, please bring your child to school if their class is open.

Our Learning

We have seen some fantastic learning from the children this year and we are very proud of them. They have been able to enjoy residentials and trips and visits to complement their curriculum. Our social media sites have many pictures of the learning in school.



Reading

Reading is a real focus for us it is so important that children read at home, we do have an in school competition for children who read books at home. Please take the time to share a book with your child, it makes so much difference.

Data protection

Please can you contact the school office to update us on any changes to your personal data such as telephone numbers, emergency contacts, address and e mail. If you wish to know how we use your personal data our privacy notice is available on our website.

Safety notice

Please can we request that parents or pupils do not ride bikes on the school playground, this can cause a hazard to others and yourselves. If your child is using the trim trails before or after school, please can you supervise them or ask them to refrain from use. Dogs are not allowed on the school premises.

Training Days for the rest of the academic year

On the following days, the school will be CLOSED TO PUPILS:

Monday 17th April 2023

Monday 1st May 2023

Monday 8th May (extra day for Coronation)

Monday 24th July 2023

Tuesday 25th July 2023

Mrs Sykes
Head Teacher

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