



# Pentland Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

**April 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the sunshine and vibrant colours of spring bloom around us, we are delighted to reflect on the wonderful achievements and experiences your children have embraced during this busy term at Pentland Infant and Nursery School. It has been a truly remarkable journey filled with growth, learning, and joy. We have taken part in lot of exciting events within school from the arrival of our lovely ducklings, to wearing our pyjamas for World Book Day and observing the world from outer space as part of our 'Wonder Dome' experience. We've also taken part in fundraising events including Hands Across Wakefield and our Scholastic Book Fair.

As always, we have to thank our wonderful families for their amazing support. Our Hands Across Wakefield event raised £575.46 in total. Our recent Scholastic Book Fair also raised a fantastic £450 towards new books for school! A huge thank you to all our families for always being so supportive of these events.

As we look back on this term, we are filled with gratitude for the continued support and encouragement you provide at home. Together, we are nurturing a community of enthusiastic learners who are eager to explore and grow. Thank you for being an integral part of our school community. We look forward to the adventures that await us in the upcoming terms and continuing to celebrate your children's successes.

We would like to wish you all a safe and happy Easter holiday, and we look forward to welcoming you back after the two week break.

Best wishes,  
Miss Child and the Pentland Team

## School Trips

Reception will be visiting Tropical Butterfly World in Sheffield on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**.

Anthony Browne Class, Oliver Jeffers and Nadia Shireen will be visiting The Scarborough Sealife Centre on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025**.

More information will be emailed to parents.

## School Photographs

School Photographs will be taken on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April**. There will be an opportunity for sibling photographs to be taken first thing in the morning, before school starts. Timings will be emailed to parents after the Easter Holidays.

## Mother's Day Events

Mother's Day craft events will be taking place during the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

There will be a separate letter sent to outline additional details and dates for parents.

## Father's Day Events

Father's Day lunches will be taking place week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

A letter will be sent soon outlining the dates and food options available.

### **Attendance and Extended Leave**

Overall attendance this half-term is **91.66%** which is below our 95% target.  
An amazing **45** children achieved 100% attendance this half term; a big well done to them!

Thank you to all our families for your ongoing support. We understand that illness has caused a lot of disruption to attendance this half term. However, a high proportion of school absence is still related to extended leave and holidays taken during term time. Please ensure that trips abroad are planned in the school holidays. The school must be informed if any school days will be missed and a fine could be issued to both parents if leave is taken during term time.

### **Late Arrivals**

Pupils should be in class by **8:50am**. Pupils who arrive later than this will need to sign into the late book. Pupils who are not in class by the end of registration are marked as late on the register. Lateness will affect a pupil's overall attendance mark, not to mention lots of missed learning opportunities.

**Parental support is crucial to ensure children attend school on time, every day and reach their full potential. Thank you for your continued support with this.**

### **Important Reminder: Reporting Absences**

Please remember that any pupil absences must be reported via telephoning the school office as soon as possible on a morning. If we do not hear from you, then school will contact the numbers listed on the 'Emergency Contact' list we hold in school. A text message will also be sent.

If we still have not heard from a parent/carer by lunchtime, then a home visit may take place.

This is part of our attendance policy.

### **PE Days - Updated**

The PE days within school are as follows:

**Julia Donaldson Class** – Tuesday [Bushcraft]

**Anthony Browne Class** – Monday and Wednesday [PE both days]

**Oliver Jeffers Class** – Tuesday [Bushcraft] and Thursday [PE]

**Nadia Shireen Class** – Tuesday [Bushcraft] and Wednesday [PE]

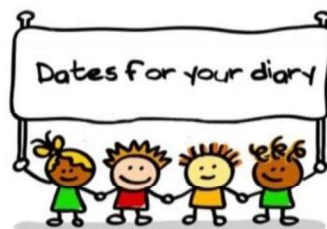
Pupils should wear their PE kits to school on the days in which they will be having PE. If it is a Bushcraft day, then pupils should wear their Bushcraft outfits with sensible outdoor shoes e.g. outdoor trainers or boots.

No earrings should be worn during PE or Bushcraft. Please ensure these are removed before your child attends school, otherwise they will not be allowed to take part in the lesson.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

**Have a safe and happy holiday!**  
**We will see you all on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025!**





### **Upcoming School Holiday Dates**

**Easter Holidays:** Monday 7th April 2025 - Monday 21st April 2025 (Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April is a Bank Holiday)

**Summer 1 Term:** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

**Spring Bank Holiday:** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**Summer 2 Term:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**Last day of the academic year:** Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### **Upcoming Events in Summer 1 Term**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025** – Parents Evening

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – Parents Evening

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025** – School Photographs

**Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025** – Mother's Day events in school

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025** – Year 2 to attend Headfield for Transition Sports Day

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025** – Reception Trip to Tropical Butterfly House

### **Upcoming Events in Summer 2 Term**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025** – Key Stage One trip to Scarborough Sealife Centre

**W.b. 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025** – Year 1 and 2 Phonics Screening Check week.

**W.b. 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025** – Father's Day lunches at school (more details to follow)

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025** – Transition Morning across Kirklees Schools

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025** – Sports Day for Reception and Key Stage One

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025** – Back Up sports day (if needed due to adverse weather)

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025** – Year 2 Leaver's Assembly