



Pentland Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another fun packed and learning filled half term! It was only a short half term, but we've managed to fit lots of exciting learning opportunities into it! In Reception the children visited the Tropical Butterfly House in Sheffield and enjoyed seeing all of the wonderful creatures there. We've held Mother's Day craft afternoons within school, which were really well attended. It was brilliant to see our families sharing time together. Within our lessons, we've also been taking part in Bushcraft activities and we've also enhanced our musical skills through enrichment lessons with 'Amy' from InHarmony.

We are always so immensely proud of our wonderful pupils, and how enthusiastically they engage with their learning. We are very grateful to all our parents and families for supporting the children with their learning.

We have lots to look forward to next half term, including another school trip, a Hajj performance led by Reception and Year One, our Father's Day lunches as well as our annual sports day.

We would like to wish you all a safe and happy half term holiday. We look forward to seeing you all back in school on Monday 2nd June 2025.

Best wishes,
Miss Child and the Pentland Team

School Trips

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

Pupils need to be in school for **8am**, and the coach should arrive back at **4pm.**

Father's Day Events

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

A letter was sent earlier this week outlining the details and dates for this.

Responses need submitting by Monday 2nd June. Thank you.

Attendance and Extended Leave

Overall attendance this half-term is **89.89%** which is below our 95% target.

An amazing **70** 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.

PE Days - Updated

The PE days within school are as follows:

Julia Donaldson Class – Friday [PE]

Anthony Browne Class – Monday [PE] and Tuesday [Bushcraft]

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.

Upcoming School Holiday Dates

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 26th May 2025 – Friday 30th May 2025

Summer 2 Term: Monday 2nd June 2025 – Friday 18th July 2025

Last day of the academic year: Friday 18th July 2025

Upcoming Events in Summer 2 Term