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## News

Happy New Year from all the team at Balby Central Primary Academy.

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and that 2023 brings you health and happiness. It has been lovely to see the children return so eagerly, with smiles on their faces this week. We started 2023 with our choir being part of the largest choir in the world at Young Voices held at Sheffield Arena!

### Diary Date Important Meeting for Year 6 Parents

Our Year 6 SATs Awareness Meeting will take place in the school hall on **Wednesday 11th January 3.40 - 4.40pm**. We ask that both **you and your child** attend to find out more about the **KS2 SATs** that take place from **9th—12th May 2023**. Please try to attend so that you are fully informed what this means for your child.



### Our attendance this week is:

We have had a great week with attendance and look forward to the rest of this term! Keep up the good work and continue to be Here Every day Ready and On time, if you need any help, support or advice please see Miss Allison in the main office. This month, we are running another fantastic attendance incentive, where we have randomly selected children to take part and if they receive over 93% attendance in January they will have a fun-filled afternoon in February! If you have received a text message, this means your child has been chosen to take part but don't worry there is another incentive next month, so all children will get the opportunity to take part over this academic year.

Whole School – 90.3%  
Highest House – Rocket Yellow with 91.3%



### Ready

Be ready for school, be on time and dressed appropriately with the items you need for the day.

### Respectful

Listen to others, use appropriate language, look after the building and objects within. Keep hands and feet to yourself.

### Safe

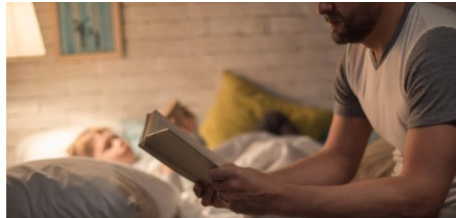
Follow the rules for health and safety for yourself and others. Be in the right place at the right time.

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## Safeguarding

We all know the importance of a good night's sleep. Sometimes it can be tricky to get your child to go to bed. This week's link has some healthy sleep tips to support if you need a bit of help.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/sleep-and-tiredness/healthy-sleep-tips-for-children/>



### Sprint

Back in September, we explained that we would be having monthly focus topics in school. This month we are looking at **answering questions in full sentences and behaviours for learning.**

We are looking for your children to show good listening skills, SLANT when asked (ask them what this means) and for maximum participation within a lesson - allowing all children to learn to the best of their abilities.

### What else has been happening in school this week?

Mrs Cooke and Miss Talbot have delivered training on Assessment and Data to Trainee Teachers in Doncaster.

Our school cook has celebrated a special birthday!



### Reading this week

Our target this term is 700 reads per week. Can you help us get there?

This week - 189

Winning class - Red Y6



Does your child struggle to fall asleep?  
Are they waking during the night?

**5 WEEK 'SLEEP TIGHT' COURSE** begins Thursday  
12th Jan 2023 9am

Suitable for all ages and SEN

Contact Mrs Leigh to book a place or for more information.

### Special Educational Needs queries

If you have any questions or queries about special educational needs please email

[senco@balbycentralprimary.co.uk](mailto:senco@balbycentralprimary.co.uk)

We are planning some information sessions and workshops for parents and families to offer support, share ideas and meet to discuss any questions you may have. Please look out for a questionnaire to tell us more about the themes to these sessions.