

'Shaping lives, building futures to be the best you can be.'

News

Our busy week in school ...

Reception have begun exploring their topic for after half term and have had meteorites visit.

Year 1 have been to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park and made us all proud with their fantastic behaviours.

Year 2 and Year 6 have been busy completing assessments and showing off their talents.

We have had many visitors to school this week and tomorrow Mrs Cooke, Mrs Hemmingway and Mrs Drake are taking children to 'Music for Youth' festival, where they will enjoy a full morning singing and listening to musical interludes. It promises to be a good day.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the BOSS behaviour workshop and the PTA interest meeting - what a fantastic turnout we had.

We are growing our community!

Attendance

Whole School – 93.8%

Highest House – Yellow with 95%

Doncaster Council have produced a parents guide explaining how to promote good attendance for your child. Please click on the trophy to view the document:



Friends of Balby Central PTA - Easter

Disco

Please support our first Friends of Balby Central Primary Academy Event.

Tickets are £2 and include hotdog, juice, and sweets.

Ticket only event (*available now on ParentPay*)

Nursery & Reception

Wednesday 29th March 3:30pm - 4:30pm (children to bring a change of clothes to school)

Year 3 & Year 4

Wednesday 29th March 4:45pm - 5:45pm

Year 1 & Year 2

Thursday 30th March 3:30pm - 4:30pm (children to bring a change of clothes)

Year 5 - Year 6

Thursday 30th March 4:45pm - 5:45pm.



Packed Lunches

Reminder for Parents/Carers:

Please can we remind all parents/carers that hot/warm food cannot be brought to school in your child's packed lunch. This is for health and safety reasons and must be adhered to. If your child would like a hot meal, the school meal option is available.

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Safeguarding

The Children's Society

Safeguarding information this week focuses on **County Lines** and details information you, as a parent, may need to know to keep you informed and support your child. Please ensure you are aware of the term **County Lines** and read the following article.

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/what-we-do/our-work/child-criminal-exploitation-and-county-lines/what-is-county-lines>

Reading Books

Reading with your child is incredibly important to increase their imagination, vocabulary and to teach them to have a love of reading. Please ensure you are reading as often as possible with your child at home.

Books should be returned to school everyday but will only be changed on a Monday in the younger years. We strongly advocate that children repeatedly read their books to build their confidence.

Please ensure books are returned to school, they cost school a lot of money and replacing them is an expensive task.



Twitter Roundup

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter.



@BalbyCentral @balbycentral - 29m
A huge THANK YOU to Danny at ONE STOP Sandford Road for the massive donation of Easter Eggs, Chocolate & Sweets for our upcoming Easter events. Our community at its best!



@BalbyCentral @balbycentral - 1d
Having spent the past three weeks acquiring the knowledge and skills, Year 4 created these wonderful sunset pieces in art. @TheRosalLearning @CurriculumLSP



@BalbyCentral @balbycentral - 9h
Today we welcomed Elaine and Fiona @BCSSDoncaster to deliver a workshop for parents, understanding the impact childhood experiences can have on behaviour. A great interactive session with parents taking away resource packs. #supportingparentstosupportchildren @TheRosalLearning



@BalbyCentral @balbycentral - 3d
Y4 learnt about DNA and created a solution amazing to see the DNA appear as strands in the cup. Also, they started an experiment grow fungi on pieces of bread, observing the results over time.



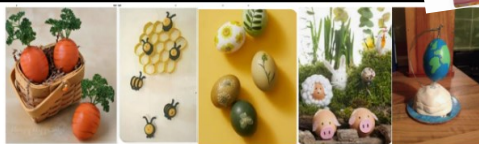
@BalbyCentral @balbycentral - 5h
As part of the Green British Spring Clean, Recycling Education Team to look at the importance of recycling and how we can grounds! #puttinglitterinitsplace #weareresponsible @TheRosalLearning



Easter Holiday Activities

Are you wondering what you are going to do in the Easter holidays? Here are just a few ideas from the Family Hub.

[https://
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stolive01.blob.core.windows.net/
media/Default/
ChildrenYoungPeopleFamilies/
Central%20Family%20Hub%20-%](https://dmbcweb-stolive01.blob.core.windows.net/media/Default/ChildrenYoungPeopleFamilies/Central%20Family%20Hub%20-%)



Balby Central 'Eggvironment' Easter Egg Competition



All competition entries to be in school on Friday 31st March for judging.

Reuse and recycle where you can in your design

Every entry will receive a prize with 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes in each year group.

If any parents could donate an Easter Egg for our raffle we would be very grateful.

Have fun designing!

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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So proud

An email we received this week from a member of the public

Last Friday my wife was collecting me from Doncaster railway station at around 3.00pm. I had arranged to meet her at the junction near Gordon Street and it was on this journey that I encountered what I later found was a group of children from your school. I quickly noticed how polite and courteous the children were. The area was busy with people leaving the station, and as you would expect all were in a hurry to get to their destinations. Marshalled by your adult staff the children patiently and politely allowed adults through, they then quietly and in an organised manner continued on their journey.

Mrs Cooke I simply felt that I should comment on how impressed I was with the manner in which children from your school conducted themselves, particularly around a busy town centre location. In a disciplined manner they quietly walked on the footpaths to one side allowing members of the public to pass. Listening to instructions, they crossed roads with no fuss, and importantly in a safe manner. It was a pleasure to see such well behaved children returning to school. They are truly a credit to themselves and the staff at your school.

Thank you to children and adults for showing Ready, Respectful, Safe behaviours



Let's change a generation

Each week Jade our Evolve Health Mentor works with children in years 3, 4 and 5 supporting children with emotional health and well-being. Our children are involved in designing the focus to sessions based around their interests and their well-being assessments. Design a super hero challenge was based on how children see their strengths and next steps to help them to reflect on resilience.

Hill House

Today some of our Year 3 children have visited Hill House Independent School to play rugby and hockey. What a great experience for them! We are also excited to inform you that Hill House Sports Department will be coming into school to deliver sports sessions for our children after Easter.

