


# CENTRAL NEWS



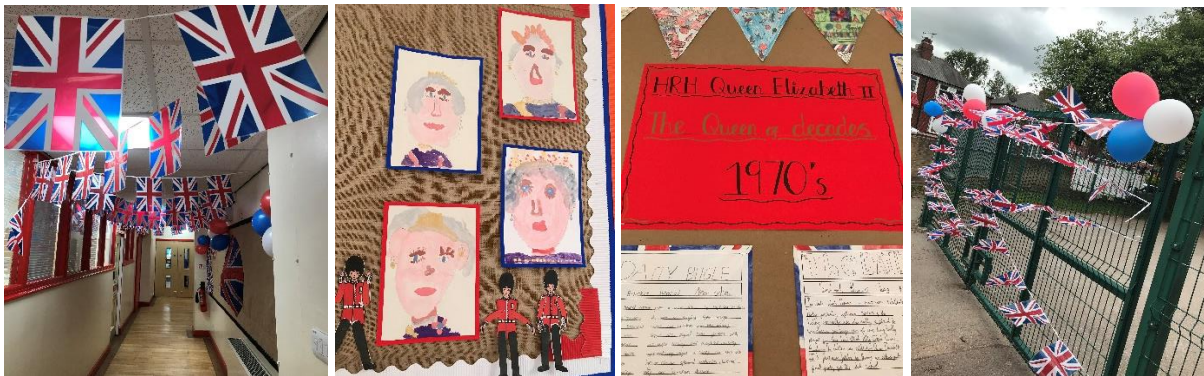
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**'Shaping lives, building futures to be the best you can be'**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022

## Head Teacher News



### Themed Jubilee Day

We have loved seeing the children all dressed up for our Queens Jubilee themed day. We have displays up across school showcasing the children's work for this very royal occasion.

We hope that all in our school community enjoy a relaxing half term with Jubilee Celebrations across the borough. There are many local activities for children happening in our area – please follow the links below to find out more about our local community events.

<https://doncaster.mumbler.co.uk/school-holidays/may-half-term/>

<https://www.visitdoncaster.com/news/half-term-activities-in-doncaster>

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/leisure-activities>

<https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/things-to-do/yorkshire/south-yorkshire/doncaster>

### Training Day

A reminder that we are closed on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May for a school training day. We look forward to welcoming our children back to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

### We need your help! Our theme is Taking Pride in our Environment

We will be taking part in the Great British Spring Clean of our outdoor environment for the month of June and we are looking for volunteers to come and help the children. You do not need to spare a lot of time, just a few minutes to help with our project. If you are interested, can you please speak to your child's class teacher who will be able to offer more information, days and times with you. Let's see if we can get a real community feel to improving our grounds. This could be gardening, litter picking, sweeping, or building equipment. Can you help?

Week 6<sup>th</sup> June Nursery and Year 6  
Week 13<sup>th</sup> June Year 1 and Year 5  
Week 20<sup>th</sup> June Year 2 and Year 4  
Week 27<sup>th</sup> June Reception and Year 3

### Deputy Head teacher

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Atkin who will be taking up a Headteacher position at a school. We would like to congratulate Mrs Atkin on her new role and wish her well in September. Mrs Atkin has worked at Balby Central for 5 years leading on Teaching and Learning. English and Assessment. Whilst at Balby Central she has also worked for Doncaster Research School, Learners First and she has been a lead in training new teachers across Doncaster. We wish her the very best in her future role and thank her for all that she has done for the children at Balby Central.

### Safeguarding

This week we are featuring information on Doncaster Council website page about feeling safe in the community

#### Report it to sort it!

Antisocial behaviour is any aggressive, intimidating, or destructive activity that damages or destroys another person's quality of life.

The police and the council are absolutely committed to reducing this across Doncaster. Please help us by reporting it so we can take the right action. Everyone has the right to feel safe - whoever you are and wherever you live.

**Tell the council**  
**Call 01302 736000**

[Anti-social Behaviour Council Webpage](#)

**Tell the police**  
**Call 101**

[South Yorkshire Police Website](#)

### Ready, Respectful, Safe

This week we have had visitors in school for interviews and to look around our school. Our children have been showing how to be **respectful** both in the classroom and outside, in how they talk to each other talk to adults and respect feelings of others.

We have reminded children about what it means to be **safe** as we move to the half term holiday, being **respectful** to others in the community and to come back **ready** for learning on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June feeling refreshed after their break.

### Our Assemblies



As we mark this anniversary, it gives me pleasure to renew to you the pledge I gave in 1947 that my life will always be devoted to your service.



We talked in assembly about the responsibilities of a queen and how this is similar and different to our own duties and responsibilities. This image is

taken from when Queen Elizabeth made her speech as she became queen and what she looks like today on celebration flags.

**What would you do if you were made a King or Queen for the day?**

## General News

### Parent Voice

Please see the responses below for this week's question towers:

*"I keep updated about school by reading Central News sent out via email each Friday."*

**Weekly** – 114

**Sometimes** – 26

**Never** – 7

**I don't receive this** – 5

Our question tower will be available weekly on the school gate at drop off and collection time.

### Year 1

Astronaut Launch Day!

Year 1 are invited to come to school dressed as anything 'space related' on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June to launch their new novel study 'Man on The Moon'.

Could we kindly request parents to please collect any empty plastic bottles and yoghurt pots you may have and bring them to school on the first week back after half term. Thank you

### PSHE

As part of our PSHE curriculum next term we will be starting with the RSE part of this subject. For further information on this, please go to the school website to read the leaflet produced by JIGSAW. This is in the Mental Health section of the website.

Polite reminder: The wall outside school next to the notice board requires repairing. Please can we ask that you keep children off the wall and to keep away from it until repairs have been completed as we don't want any further damage to occur and to keep the children safe. Thank you for your support.

### Reporting your child absent

Please call the main reception on 01302 321914 each day by 09:30am to report a child absent in the event of illness only.

### Change of details

If your contact details change, please contact the school to update us with either change of address, telephone, email, or emergency contacts, so that we can keep our records up to date for your child.

### Medical Information

If your child has a health care plan or asthma plan, please remember to update school with any change of details or medication.

### Weekly Attendance Update

Whole school attendance this week – **93.1%**

Highest class attendance this week – Green with **95.8%**

Remember – all children that achieve 96% and over this term will receive a badge and a certificate, the more badges your child receives this year, the more prizes they will be rewarded with at the end of July!

**Afterschool Clubs Summer Term:** This term will run up to the 11<sup>th</sup> of July. The cost of after school club is £15 for the term / £1.25 per week, per club If your child is interested, please contact the school office.

Day:	Afterschool Club	Availability	Time:
<b>Monday</b>	Summer Sports with KIXX Y4,Y5 & Y6	<b>Places still available</b>	Collection from the main office at 16.30pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Summer Sports with Mr Pearson Y1, Y2 & Y3	<b>Places still available</b>	Collection from the main office at 16.30pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Summer Sports with Mr Pearson Y4, Y5 & Y6	<b>Places still available</b>	Collection from the main office at 16.30pm
	Clancy Briggs Bike Skills Y4, Y5 & Y6 <b>(Children must bring their own bike/Helmet and be able to ride a bike)</b>	<b>Places still available</b>	Collection from the main office at 16.30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Dance/ Cheerleading with Miss Gray Y1, Y2 & Y3	<b>FULL</b>	Collection from the main office at 16.30pm
	Summer Sports with KIXX Y1, Y2 & Y3	<b>FULL</b>	Collection from the main office at 16.30pm

**School Lunch Menu - £12.25 per week / 2.45 per day**

A reminder that school lunches should be paid in advance. A packed lunch will need to be provided if the account is in debt. All school lunches are pre-ordered in advance- any queries or if you wish for your child/children to have school dinners please speak with the school office.

Commencing 6/06/2022						
	☒	Red	☒	Green	☒	Blue
<b>Monday</b>		Margherita Pizza, potato noisettes, carrot & cucumber sticks		Macaroni Cheese, crusty bread, , carrot & cucumber sticks		Sandwich & Side Salad (Please select 1 filling)
<b>Tuesday</b>		Pork & Stuffing Pie, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables & gravy		Patch Potato Pie, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables & gravy		Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans & Salad
<b>Wednesday</b>		Crispy Chicken, wedges, broccoli & sweetcorn		Mediterranean Tart, wedges, broccoli & sweetcorn		Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Salad
<b>Thursday</b>		Turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes. Yorkshire pudding, vegetables & gravy		Meat free sausage, mashed potatoes. Yorkshire pudding, vegetables & gravy		Sandwich & Side Salad (Please select 1 filling)
<b>Friday</b>		Fish Star, chips, peas & carrots		Mixed Bean Bake, chips, peas & carrots		Sandwich & Side Salad (Please select 1 filling)

### Useful links:

School website for latest updates and news: <https://www.central.doncaster.sch.uk/>

Link to term dates on School website: <https://www.central.doncaster.sch.uk/page/term-dates>

Link to our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Balby-Central-Primary-Academy-438704976649819/>

Link to our Twitter page: <https://twitter.com/balbycentral>



## Would you like to be our next parent Governor?

### What it involves:

- Attending a couple of meetings, a month (all during the school day)
- Bringing ideas and questions to support school leaders and most importantly your experiences as a parent
- In time, leading meetings on one or more area depending on your strengths/experience (for example on health and safety)
- Helping interpret the views of other parents (for example the votes given in the Towers each week)
- Helping our understanding of the Balby community outside of school

If you would like to know more about what being a parent governor is like or would like to observe a meeting, please email [admin@balbycentralprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@balbycentralprimary.co.uk) or contact the school office.

### As well as all that it is also an opportunity to:

- Develop work relevant skills (meetings, writing, working with budgets)
- Work with a friendly and diverse group of other governors and teachers

If you are interested, please get in contact with Stephanie Bradley in the Main Office. The application is simple – you set out why you are interested, and we consider your suitability.



## Home reading – you can make a difference this half-term!

Dear parents/ carers,

Your child has made super progress in their reading this year.

Let's keep them reading this half-term for maximum success in the Phonics Screening Check when we return from the half term break.

### Watch Virtual Classroom films

We have already sent the QR codes for you to use which will enable you to watch;

1. Set 2 and/or Set 3 reading films to practise reading specific sounds and words
2. Pinny Time films to practise reading sounds speedily
3. 'Special Friends, Fred Talk' films for practice reading a range of new words.

There is also another pack attached to this letter for you to complete the activities with your child.

#### The plan

- Set aside 10 minutes to watch films with your child each day.
- Find a quiet space for your child to watch the film on a laptop or tablet.
- Praise your child as they join in with the lesson.

### Listen to your child read every day

You will have received 2x *Read Write Inc.* Storybooks for your child to read to you. Choose a quiet time when they are wide awake.

Help your child to:

- read the sounds and words at the front of the book, before they read the story
- sound out any new words as they read the story.

Read back each page to them, after they have read it.

If the child has enjoyed the story, encourage them to read it again on the next day to increase their fluency.

Most importantly...do it all with patience and love.

Your support matters and we appreciate it.

Thank you  
Jade Hodgson  
RWI lead