

CENTRAL NEWS



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Head Teacher News

Spotlight on Learning – London calling

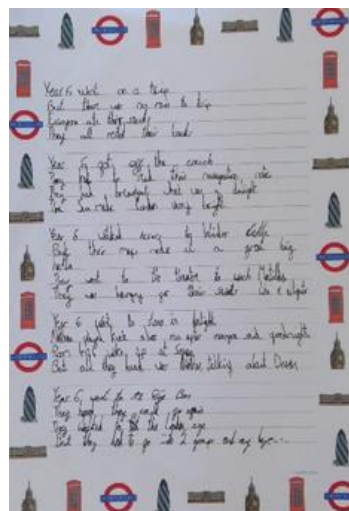
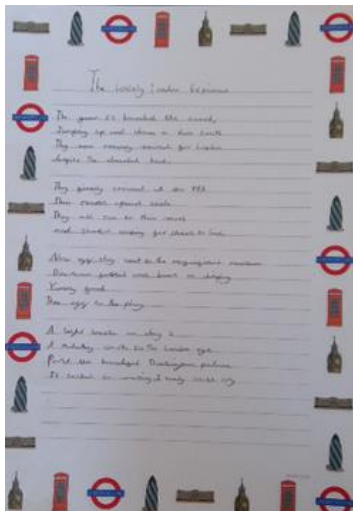
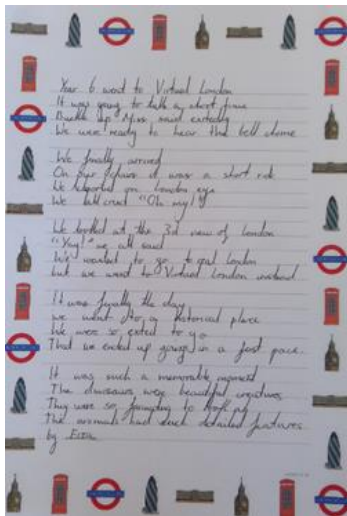


LONDON

This week it is the turn of Year 6 and their work about the capital city London following their virtual experience and also their residential trip to London last week. Children have written poems about their learning. We offer an opportunity for children to visit the capital city of their country before they leave us for secondary school. To



learn about significant buildings, West End theatres, cultures and traditions is our curriculum drivers for our London experience. We are also excited to share we have made bookings for the next two academic years and plans have already started!



Celebration

We have received two reports this week to celebrate the work at Balby Central.

Our Forest School is used for different sessions and last week 'Wild About Sleep' was observed by the Doncaster Collage Forest School Lead and the Sleep Clinic Team supporting families with a programme about the great outdoors and the health benefits for sleep .

I think the opportunities they have facilitated have been fantastic and the perfect way to support families. They recognise how well they are all doing in providing support for children and families in the local area and it is all down to their passion, belief in the ethos and research and dedication.'

Mrs Atkin and Mrs Hodgson attended an event in Leeds held by [Jerry Clay English Hub](#), who have worked with us for the last two years developing our Phonics in school. Our graduation report shared our successes and the progress made with the teaching of Early Reading, use of virtual classrooms, book choices and monitoring for progress.

New Classes and School Reports

Children will receive their school reports at the end of next week ready for the transition to their new classes the following week, where they will be able to meet their new teacher. Children will be mixed across the two classes, to give opportunity to make new friends and work with others.

New Staff and Goodbyes

We have made new appointments for next academic year and we are fortunate to be welcoming new staff to the team at Balby Central. Mrs Hemmingway has been appointed as Deputy Head teacher from September as Mrs Atkin leaves us to start her headship at a new school. Mrs Hemmingway is looking forward to working with children, families and staff as she joins us. We also will welcome Mrs Webb and Miss Fower to our teaching assistant team.

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Milnes who will be retiring to enjoy a more relaxed way of life. Miss Westmoreland will also be leaving us to spend more time with her family and Miss Tudor will be moving on to start her teacher training. We are delighted that we will be welcoming Miss Tudor back next academic year to complete some of her training with us too. Mrs Rickwood our Thrive Practitioner will also be leaving us at the end of this academic year.

Safeguarding

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It is really important to keep your children safe when they are online. The following link will take you to a website to support you in ensuring your child is safe online and talking to them about how to help themselves when they are using websites and apps.

<https://www.common sense media.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok>

TikTok app safety – What parents need to know (Internet Matters)

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

Ready, Respectful, Safe

Belonging, Curiosity, Pride, and Achievement – as we come to the end of term we will think about what the words **Pride and Achievement** mean in celebration of the work this academic year. This is the first full year back in school following the pandemic for our children and we will talk about feeling proud about their learning and their journey this academic year.

Our Assemblies

Assembly

This week we thought about animals facing extinction and how we learn about what we can do to help. With the Yorkshire Wildlife Park on our doorstep we thought about their programmes to support endangered species. Our focus also thought about animals that were colourful and promoted in the media of extinction and those that we may not think about as much.

It is estimated that the world has over 8 million different species of plants and animals – all of which are unique and special in their own way. It is important for us to remember that how something looks, is only one part of its story.



UN Rights
of a Child



Our education should help us to protect the environment. Some animals may face extinction unless we take action.



General News

Sleep Week



Next week is our sleep awareness week in school. A good night's sleep is key to good physical and mental health and can have a huge impact on your child's learning and behaviour. Each day next week we will be sending out information about how to promote good sleep at home and teachers will be discussing sleep in class. On Monday morning, 4th July a sleep specialist from The Sleep Charity will be coming into school to give advice on any sleep problems and share information on how to create good sleep routines at home. This drop-in session will be held in the school hall from 8:45am to 9:45am on Monday and Mrs Wiltshire will also be available for advice during this session.



Reception

Could Reception bring back their Read Write Inc books and library books every Friday.

Summer Picnic Resources

We are asking all parents to look for any of the following items that you may have spare at home that could be brought in please. We will update this section each week with any further requests:

Year 1 – glass jars and tin cans.

Year 2 – cups or mugs and ribbon.

Year 3 – bottle tops.

Year 4 – fake flowers, plant pots, ribbon and old costume jewellery.

Year 5 – old clothes and sewing materials.

Reporting your child absent

Please call the main reception on 01302 321914 each day by 09:30am to report a child absent. Absences should be reported to the main office and not via class teacher as they're teaching and unable to relay these messages to the office.

Change of details

When you have a change of address, telephone number, email address or emergency contact please let the school office know. This allows us to keep our records up to date for your child. You can do this by email or by completing a form at the school office.

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

This week's whole school attendance – 90.5%

This week's highest class attendance – Yellow class 96%

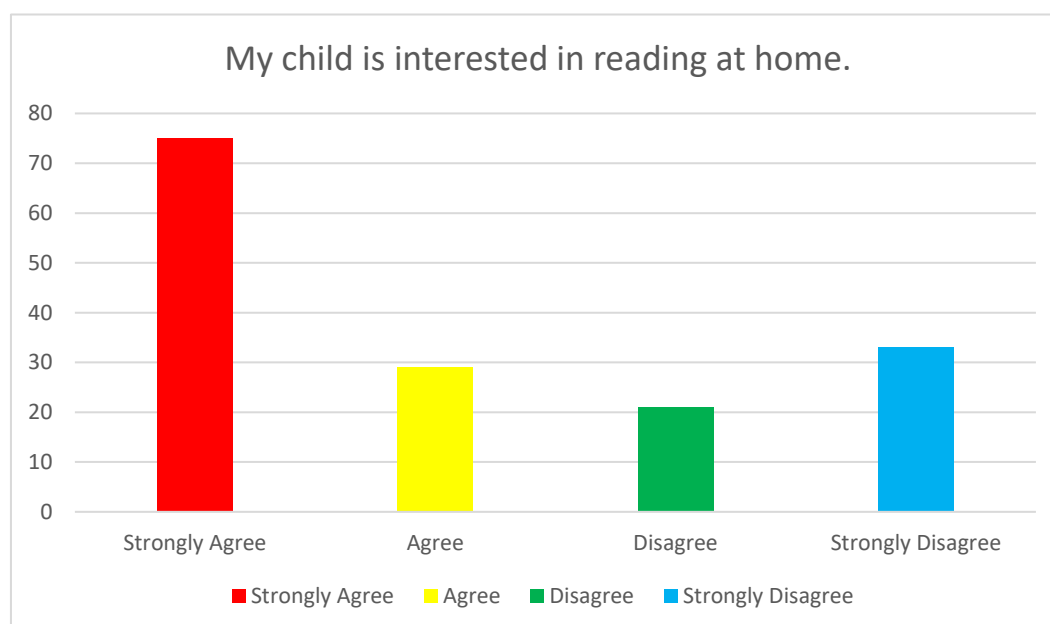
PE Days

Day	Year Group
Monday	Reception
Tuesday	Year 5 & Year 2
Wednesday	Year 1
Thursday	Year 3 Year 4 – Swimming
Friday	Year 6

Dates for the Diary		
Date	Event	Information
Friday 8 th July	School Summer Picnic	Tickets for this can be purchased via ParentPay until 4 th July at 3pm.
Monday 11 th July – Friday 15 th July	Transition Week	Children will transition from their current class to their new class for one week to meet their teacher. Further information will be communicated.

Parent Question Results

Every Wednesday we ask a question on the gate for feedback from our parents and carers, please see this week's results below:



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. If you have any queries or if you wish for your child/children to have school dinners please speak with the school office.

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Monday		Cheesy Triangle, diced potato & crunchy vegetables		Vegetarian Bolognese, crusty bread & crunchy vegetables		Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Salad
Tuesday		Shepherd's Pie, mashed potatoes, vegetables & gravy		Meat Free Balls, Yorkshire pudding, mashed potatoes, vegetables & gravy		Sandwich & Side Salad (Please select 1 filling)
Wednesday		Roast Gammon, mashed or roast potatoes, mixed vegetables & gravy.		Vegetable Pie, mashed or roast potatoes, mixed vegetables & gravy.		Sandwich & Side Salad (Please select 1 filling)
Thursday		Beef Burger, wedges, peas & salad		Pizza Burger, wedges, peas & salad		Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans & Salad