

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Autumn is well and truly underway and as the dark mornings / nights approach, can I please remind you to take extra care when crossing the roads, especially while we don't have a Crossing Patrol Officer in place at Ryhope Street.

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated items for our Harvest Festival. All donations have been given to a local food bank, where they will be distributed to families in need.

This is a super busy half-term with the lead up to Christmas and we have lots happening in school so, as always, please make a note of the diary dates.

Mrs Allen, Headteacher

Important Dates



November:

Tuesday 4th - Open Evening for new September 2026 starters

Monday 10th - Odd socks day for anti-bullying week

Monday 10th / Tuesday 11th /
 Wednesday 12th - Parents Evening for
 Badger/Fox/Hedgehog/Rabbit/Owl
 Classes

Friday 14th - Children In Need Non-Uniform Day

Wednesday 19th - Nursery and School Photographs

Friday 28th - Chocolate Challenge Non-Uniform Day, children to bring in chocolate donations

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance from 8th September 2025

Target - 96%

Class	Attendance %
Fox Class	88.1 %
Hedgehog Class	90.4 %
Rabbit Class	94.7 %
Owl Class	98.1 %

Weekly Winners



Please keep an eye out on our ClassDojo School Story, where we will announce our weekly attendance winners every Friday.



Meet our 2025-2026 School Council Members, who have been voted in by their classmates to represent our school. We are sure that they will do a fabulous job! Their role in school is to:

- represent and be ambassadors for our school
- share their individual ideas of how to improve our school
- contribute to discussions about topics raised
- act as school buddies in the playground
- feedback to classes about decisions made in council meetings
- inform the council of their class's ideas and suggestions on topics discussed
- support our local community events



I am Hannah. I like to follow school rules and show people what to do if they aren't sure!



I am Otis. I am a good friend and love to help people.



I am Alfie. I like to talk and share my ideas!



I am Daisy. I am kind and caring. I want to help make the school a happy place.



I am Harley. I like to help people in school.



I am Deborah. I am really good at sharing and I have good ideas.



I am Ayla. I am a good friend and like to look after people.



I am Sophia. I am a good example to my friends and I follow school rules.





Our annual Halloween disco took place on Thursday 23rd October. As always, the children had lots of fun dancing with their friends and playing some Halloween themed games. They took a quick break from dancing to enjoy a drink and some snacks.



Reporting an absence.



If your child is absent you must contact the school office on 0191 917 1910 before 8.45am and leave a message with your name, your child's full name and the reason for their absence.

As a school, we have a responsibility to follow up absences for all children, including those who attend our nursery provision.



Please do not send any urgent messages via Class Dojo, as the teachers aren't always able to check them throughout the day.



PRE-LOVED UNIFORMS

We have a range of good quality, pre-loved school uniform and coats in our reception area that have been washed and bagged. Please feel free to take anything you need and leave a small donation, if possible. We would welcome any donations of good quality, pre-loved uniform and school book bags.



Social Media

Please remember to follow our school social media pages to keep up to date with all the exciting activities and learning that the children have been taking part in.



Safeguarding Our Children

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility! If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact school and speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads, Mrs Allen, Miss Lumsden, or Mrs Scott