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**12TH DECEMBER
AUTUMN TERM**

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

15th December 2025	Gift Stall (Swap & Shop)
16th December 2025	Christmas service (times below)
17th December 2025	Year 6 WW2 themed day
18th December 2025	Year 1, 2, 3 & 4 Christmas party
19th December 2025	EYFS and Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party
19th December 2025	School Closes for 2 weeks
5th January 2026	School opens
9th January 2026	Inset Day
14th January 2026	6LG class assembly (9am in KS2 hall)
16th March 2026	4RH Ukulele concert
6th July 2026	4AD Ukulele concert
20th July 2026	Inset Day

After School Clubs– Autumn Term

Please note that **after-school clubs have now ended for this term.**

Sandal Sunrise and Stars will continue as normal.



Swap & Shop

Thank you to all parents for sending in a gift last Thursday! We hope the children enjoyed their non-uniform day—it was a lovely way to celebrate together.

Next up is...

Monday 15th December

Children will have the opportunity to visit the gift stall, choose a gift, and wrap it to give to someone special. This is always a lovely activity that the children really enjoy, and it helps them experience the joy of giving. To take part, please send £1 with your child on the day. No £1, no gift – children will only be able to choose and wrap a gift if they bring £1.

Thank you for your continued support in making these events successful!

Lost Property

Please check the lost property area regularly for any missing items. It is located at the top of the car park through the blue doors.

Unclaimed items will be cleared at the end of the term, so make sure to look before then.

Thank you for your cooperation!



Christmas Service

Christmas Carol Service at ST Helens Church– Tuesday
16th December

Join us for our festive Christmas Carol Service!

9:30 – 10:30 AM: Years 1 & 2

11:00 – 12:00 PM: Years 3 & 4

1:30 – 2:30 PM: Years 5 & 6



After School Clubs– Spring Term

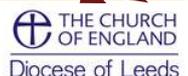
Due to high demand, we're thrilled to announce that we've opened up additional spaces in some of our clubs.

How to book:

Please check Arbor to book your child onto a club. Important: If Arbor does not allow you to select a term, this means the club is full.



Safeguarding contact
For any safeguarding concerns
please contact
legley@sandal.wakefield.sch.uk



Class	%
3SJ	100.0%
4RQ	100.0%
5SH	99.2%
6SW	99.1%
3BJ	99.0%
FKW	99.0%
5GS	98.3%
1JS	97.0%
5JG	96.7%
4RH	96.6%
2CW	96.3%
4AD	96.3%
6LG	95.4%
3RW	94.8%
2TD	94.4%
2DJ	94.2%
1CLW	93.3%
FJP	93.1%
1JT	92.8%
6HY	92.3%
FJW	90.6%

Attendance

Well done everyone!

Keep up the amazing achievement.

The winning class of this week's attendance challenge is 3SJ and 4RQ with 100% !!

The whole school attendance is 95.09%

Thank you for your effort! Lets keep aiming for our whole school target of **96%**

Reindeer Run

Your child will be taking part in the Reindeer Run during their PE lessons next week, as part of our fundraising efforts for Wakefield Hospice.

Please could we kindly ask that you return their sponsor form and any collected money by next week. This will allow us to gather all contributions and deliver them to the Hospice before we close for Christmas.



KS2 Star Treat

Our KS2 Star Treat will be occurring next week. Please note that the choice is toys/games or devices. To ensure that we comply with our safeguarding rules, please see below the list of rules that we have created and have shared with our children:



KS2 Star Treat Rules

1. Mobile phones cannot be brought into school, for safeguarding reasons.
2. Photographs must not be taken for safeguarding reasons.
3. Due to our security systems, your device will be unable to use any data or wifi whilst on site- you will need to download your games at home first.
4. Your device will be locked in the classroom during the school day. You will not be able to take it outside at playtimes or lunchtimes.
5. All devices must have a clear label with the owner's name on them
6. Any damages will not be paid for by school. You bring it in, at your own risk.
7. You cannot swap devices- please only play on your own to avoid damage.
8. Electronic messages must not be sent to each other.

Yellow

99%/ 100% this is outstanding

Green

97%/ 98% is good

Amber

95% to 96% this is expected

Purple

93%/ 94% requires improvement- attendance officer involvement

Red

91%/ 92% level 1 cause for concern- EWO involvement



'In to the Wild' Themed Lunch

15th January - please see the menu attached to the newsletter. If your child does not usually have a school meal and would like to join us that day, they can order in class on the day and payment can be made through the Arbor payment system. Meals are £2.63 per day for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. Children in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2 are free.

Poster Below



Dinner Debate

This week we have been thinking about the messages behind the Christmas Story. It tells us about Mary and Joseph having no room at the Inn....

Who might feel like there's "no room" for them today? How can we make space for others in school, at home, or in our community?

KS2 STAR TREAT IS...



INTO THE WILD

MENU

The Big Five Burger
(Cheese Burger in a bun with lettuce & tomatoes)

Rangers Chicken Goujons
(Chicken Goujons with a BBQ Sauce Dip)

served with

Jacket Wedges
Sweetcorn & Coleslaw

African 'Pap' Cookies
(Oat Cookie)

Suulemoenkoekies
(Lemon Cookie)



CHRISTMAS

ST HELEN'S | ST PAUL'S | PORTOBELLO



WED 24TH DEC

ST HELEN'S
MIDNIGHT MASS

11.15PM

THUR 25TH DEC

ST HELEN'S CHRISTMAS
ST PAUL'S CHRISTMAS

10AM
11AM



SANDAL | WALTON | PORTOBELLO

S | HELEN'S
T | PAUL'S

AND LOTS MORE



WED 10 TH DEC	CAROLS AT THE SPRING	3PM
SUN 14 TH DEC	ST HELEN'S TRADITIONAL CAROLS	4PM
SUN 14 TH DEC	ST PAULS COMMUNITY CAROLS	11AM
WED 17 TH DEC	PORTOBELLO TODDLERS CHRISTMAS	9.15AM
SAT 20 TH DEC	ST PAUL'S CHRISTINGLE	4PM
SUN 21 ST DEC	ST HELEN'S POP-UP NATIVITY	11AM
SUN 21 ST DEC	ST HELEN'S CONTEMPORARY CAROLS	7PM
WED 24 TH DEC	ST HELEN'S CHRISTINGLE	4PM



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Sandal Castle Charity Fundraising Calendar 2025-26



Autumn	Spring	Summer
<p>Harvest Festival- FoodGoods – St. Helen’s Church</p>	<p>ValentineDisco- PTA</p> <p>Red Nose Day(20th March)</p> <p>Rare but Real- Courageous Advocates</p>	<p>Your One Wish- Courageous Advocates</p>
<p>Book Fair - School Fund</p> <p>Remembrance Day- Poppies (Nov)</p> <p>PTA event- Scary Movie and Arts/Crafts</p> <p>Children in Need (14th Nov)</p> <p>Swap Shop- PTA</p> <p>Reindeer Run- Wakefield Hospice</p>	<p>TreasureHunt- PTA</p> <p>Book Fair-School Fund</p> <p>Air Ambulance- Courageous Advocates</p>	<p>PTA- Non UniformDay (bottles and sweets for summer fayre)</p> <p>PTA event- Summer Fayre (July)</p>

WINTER ACTIVITIES FOR 5-16 YEAR OLDS

Activities are FREE for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals



Healthy Meal Provided



**22ND – 24TH DECEMBER &
2ND JANUARY**

TRIPS

SPORTS

ARTS & CRAFTS

**FAMILY
SESSIONS**

GAMES

**AND MUCH
MORE!**

Find and book FREE activities by
visiting:
[www.wakefieldfamilies-together.co.uk/
community-support/happy-healthy-
holidays](http://www.wakefieldfamilies-together.co.uk/community-support/happy-healthy-holidays)
or scan the QR Code



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PORTOBELLO COMMUNITY CENTRE

WHAT'S ON IN DECEMBER

MONDAY

Sewcial Crafting Group

10am to 1pm | £4

No group 26 December

Hot Chocolate Youth Club

6.30pm to 7.30pm

11 to 16 year olds

FREE Pizza & hot chocolate

Run by members of St Helen's Church

Term time only

TUESDAY

Portobello Craft & Photography Group

12.30pm to 2.30pm | £2

No group 30 December

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7.30pm to 8.30pm

Donations

WEDNESDAY

Portobello Baby & Toddler Group

9.15am to 11am

£1 adults / £1 baby or toddler

Run by volunteers from St Helen's Church

Term time only

AVAILABLE TO HIRE

Portobello Community Centre is available to hire. Perfect for children's parties, meetings and community events

No alcohol allowed

Reduced rates for Portobello Residents

THURSDAY

Portobello Drop In

11am to 1pm | £3

Run by volunteers from local churches

Zumba Chair Exercise with Sophie

1pm to 2pm | £4

No class on 11, 18 and 25 Dec

Kung Fu

7pm to 8pm - Beginners

8pm to 9pm - Advanced

Beginner subs: £3 adult/£2 child

First session free

FRIDAY

Sewcial Crafting Group

10am to 1pm | £4

No group 29 December

SATURDAY

1st and 3rd Saturday

Yorkshire Black Sheep Modellers

10am to 1pm | £4

2nd Saturday

Trinity Model Making Group

10am to 1pm | £3

SUNDAY

Strong Tower Christian Centre

10.30am to 12noon

Apostolic Faith Church

2pm to 6pm

If you are on a low income & need support with subs please contact the office or group leader (in confidence)



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ALL-PRO

SPORTS & WELLBEING



AGES
4-12

WINTER CAMP

9AM - 2PM

SANDAL CASTLE PRIMARY - WF2 6AS



MON 22ND DEC

DAY ENDS WITH A CHRISTMAS PARTY/DISCO

TUE 23RD DEC

XMAS JUMPER DAY & SANTA VISIT (FREE GIFT)

FRI 2ND JAN

DAY ENDS WITH DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT
& TALENT SHOW FROM PARTICIPANTS

SPORTS

GYMNASTICS

DANCE

CHRISTMAS ARTS & CRAFTS

COMPETITIONS & TOURNAMENTS

SANTA VISIT & GIFT

DISCO



30 FREE PLACES PER DAY

FOR PUPIL PREMIUM CHILDREN ONLY
(BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS)

Find and book FREE activities by visiting:
www.wakefieldfamilies.together.co.uk/community-support/happy-healthy-holidays



30 PAID PLACES PER DAY

FOR NON PUPIL PREMIUM CHILDREN
or NO FREE SPACES LEFT



ONLY £15 PER DAY
(REGISTER NOW, PAY ON THE DAY)

ALL BOOKINGS INCLUDE FREE PACKED LUNCH & DRINK EACH DAY



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**Christmas Holidays
at The Hepworth
Wakefield**

**Sat 20 Dec
–Sun 4 Jan**

Visit The Hepworth Wakefield this Christmas holidays for workshops, festive film screenings, activities in the galleries and family activity kits.

Family workshops, gallery activities and Explore & Draw Kits are FREE with an exhibition ticket.

Free for kids and Wakefield residents

Plan your visit at hepworthwakefield.org

HOW TO FIND US

The Hepworth Wakefield,
Gallery Walk, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, WF1 5AW
Our car park is located on Thornes Lane, WF1 5QJ.
The gallery is a 5-minute walk from Wakefield Kirkgate
or jump on the Free City Bus from the bus and train stations.

THE
HEPWORTH
WAKEFIELD



The winners are:

1st place: LKS2

2nd place: Year 2



Here are the top 5 children who contributed the most in their battle.

KS2 Battle

Year 1, 2 Battle

1. Archie M
2. Oscar M
3. Theo R
4. Jake D
5. Elham A

1. Kwan
2. Isabelle G
3. Shahzain
4. Jasmine
5. Enzo



Next week's battles are:



Battle 1: Teachers Vs Pupils

Come on Teachers!

