



# Newsletter

March 2025



# Spring 2



- This is the fourth of our newsletters for the year. There will be a newsletter each half term.
- All of our past newsletters are available on the website.
- In between the newsletters, information will be shared by email, through the app, and on the noticeboards by the entrances to the school.



# Appropriate clothes

As the days begin to get warmer, please make sure your children are appropriately dressed:

- Check the weather forecast – even a sunny day can change
- Waterproof cagoule
- If it is raining – waterproof boots/shoes  
(children can change their shoes at school)



In Spring, children often take coats and jumpers off when they get warm. Please make sure **every** item has the child's name in.

# Dates for the Diary

- Fundraising Non-uniform day – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March
- Year 6 Mock SATs Week – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March
- Red Nose Day – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March
- Y2 visit to Sheffield Manor Lodge – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March
- Y6 visit to Lotherton Hall – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March
- Y5 visit to National Videogame Museum – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March
- Last day of term – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March
- First day back – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April
- Eid parties – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April



# Staffing changes

- We have begun this term with a number of staff changes:
- Mrs Wong has begun her maternity leave. In her absence, her class will be taught by two new members of staff – Miss Wood and Miss Saleh.
- We are please to welcome Mr Rashid as our new Site Supervisor.
- Mrs Bibi and Miss Hudson have moved on to take new roles away from Byron Wood. We wish them all the best for the future.
- Mrs Walton will be filling the role of SENCO until the end of the year.

# Ofsted

- As we hope you know, our school had a visit recently from Ofsted inspectors, who found that our school is Good in all areas!
- In particular, they found:
  - “The school is ambitious for all pupils to achieve well.”**
  - “The school has thoughtfully developed a curriculum to meet the needs of its pupils.”**
  - “Pupils’ personal development is extremely well considered.”**
- This came shortly before the news that all schools in the Astrea Trust are now judged as being Good.
- Well done for everyone’s hard work, and to the pupils of Byron Wood who were able to represent the school brilliantly when explaining about their school experience.



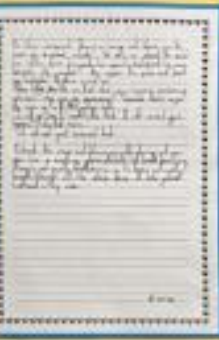




# New displays of children's work

Year 3

Y3 Birch Class








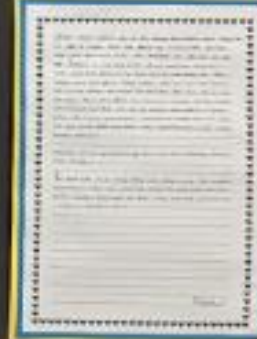









**THE  
BLACK  
DOG**

In Year 3 we have been reading  
The Black Dog by Levi Pinfold.

We wrote our own versions,  
including using speech marks  
to show dialogue.

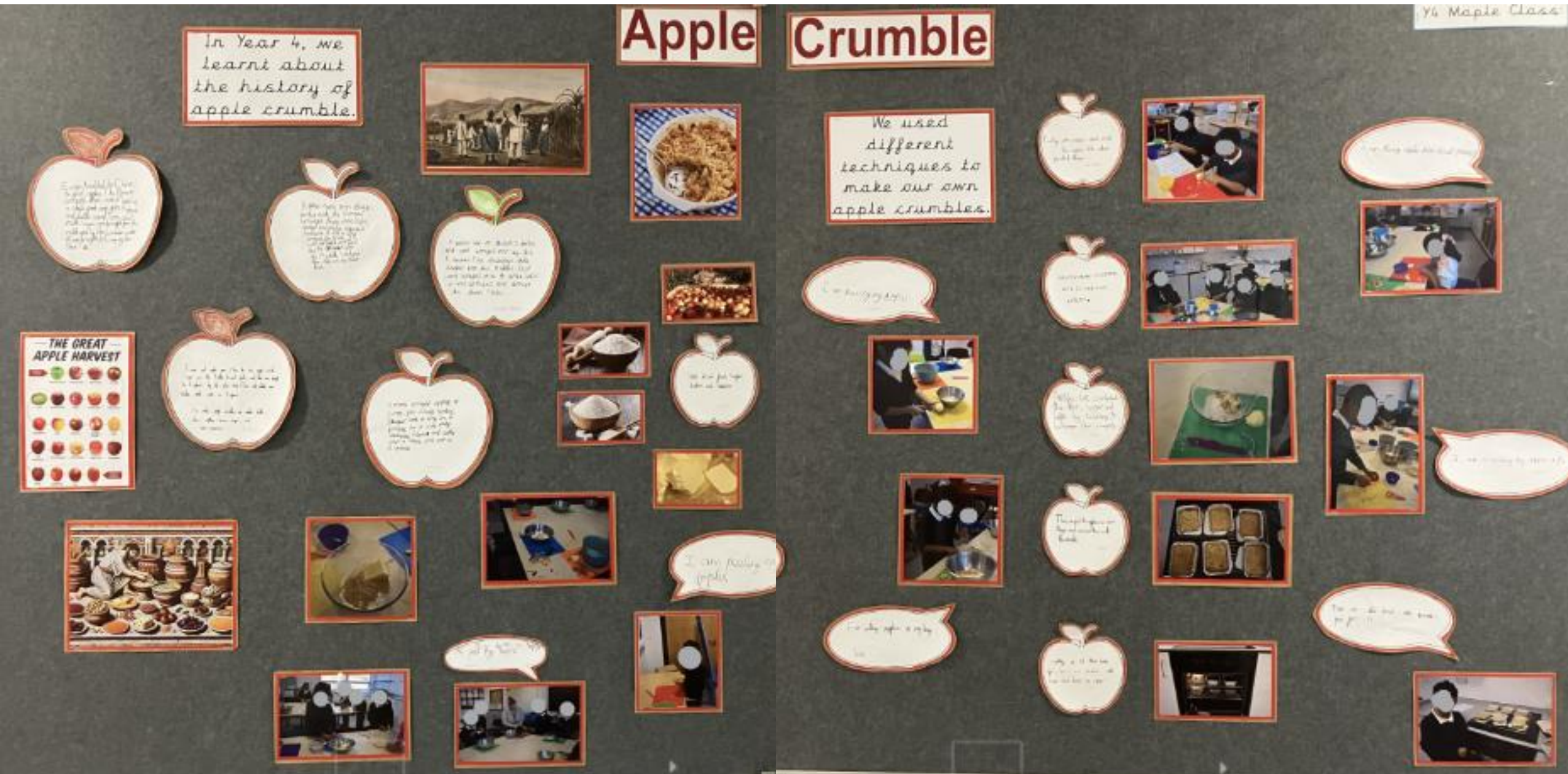
In this story, the Hope family is  
visited by an enormous dog  
which scares them all.





# New displays of children's work

Year 4





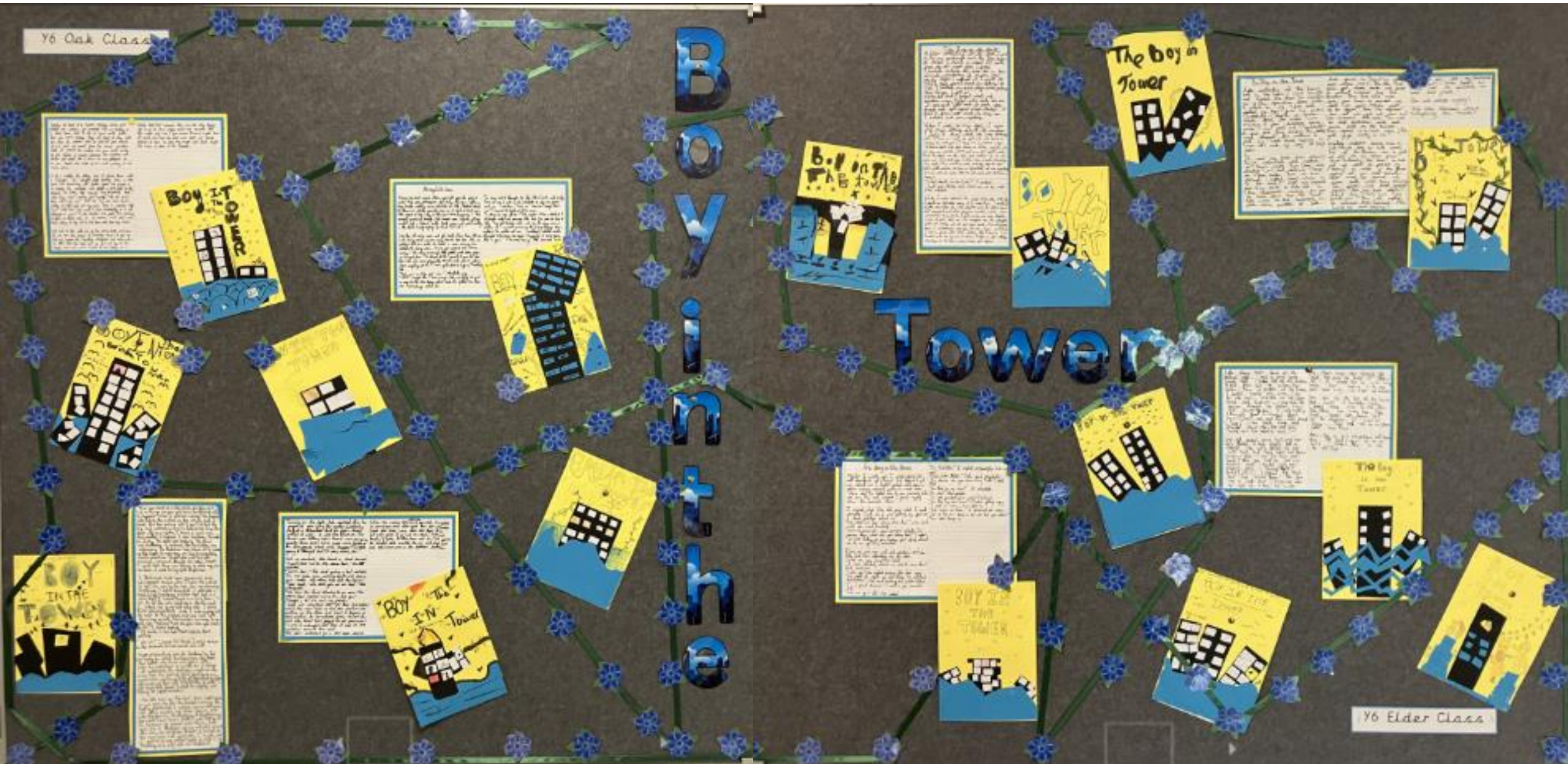
## Year 5





# New displays of children's work

Year 6





# Eid Mubarak

If you are celebrating Eid al Fitr during the holidays, all the staff at Byron Wood wish you a peaceful end to Ramadan and hope you enjoy the festival.



# School term dates

- These are the dates for this school year 2024-2025.
- Please arrange appointments and holidays for days when the school is closed.

	Denotes Bank Holidays		School closed for staff training day
	Denotes School Holidays		School closed for Academy Trust staff training day

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# School day



- 8.20am - Gates open (Breakfast club from 8am – 8.20am)
- 8.30am – Children will be greeted by staff and taken into school
- 8.45am – Gates close and children will need to enter by the office  
(Please ensure that your child/ren are at the correct door before 8.45am)
- 3.15pm – School finishes (afternoon Nursery finishes at 3.10pm)

It is vital that every child is in school on time. They practise their reading skills from the moment they arrive in class, and missing lesson time makes it incredibly difficult for children to catch up.

# School uniform

- All children must wear school uniform every day.
- If they are not in uniform, we will phone home to ask that it is brought in, or they will be asked to wear some of the items that we have in school.
- If they continue to not wear uniform, parents will be asked to come into school for a meeting.
- Jewellery is not allowed in school. Earrings must only be small studs. Children will be asked to remove any other jewellery and parents will be asked to collect it from the office at the end of the day.
- The following pages show what should be worn as school uniform:

## School uniform



White shirt



White T-Shirt



Navy blue cardigan or jumper (with or without school logo)



Grey trousers



Grey skirt



Grey dress



Grey leggings or tights (under skirt/dress)



Black school shoes



Long sleeved vest  
If required



Plain navy, grey or  
white head scarf

# PE days

- Y1 – Wednesdays and Thursdays
- Y2 – Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Y3 – Tuesdays and Fridays (swimming)
- Y4 – Mondays and Fridays
- Y5 – Tuesdays and Wednesdays
- Y6 – Mondays and Wednesdays



On PE days, children should come to school wearing their PE clothes. Earrings should not be worn on PE days.



### PE Uniform



Navy or Black Jogging suit



White round neck T-Shirt



Black or navy shorts



Plain black trainers



NO trainer boots

No earrings  
should be  
worn to  
school on a  
PE day.

# Contact

You can contact school in the following ways:

- Phone – 0114 272 3624
- Email – [enquires@astreabyronwood.org](mailto:enquires@astreabyronwood.org)
- Astrea App
- Don't forget to follow us on twitter @BWA\_Sheffield