



# NEWSLETTER

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## THE WEEK AHEAD:

**Monday 12th January**

**Tuesday 13th January**

**Wednesday 14th January**

**Thursday 15th January**

3.15 p.m. - 4pm SATs Club for Y6 pupils

**Friday 16th January**

p.m. Swimming

**In Class 1** - We've been having a wonderful time this week enjoying winter-themed activities! In the snow, the children explored mark making, created snow angels, and built cheerful snowmen, sparking lots of laughter and imagination.

Back in the art studio, creativity continued with printmaking using everyday objects, discovering how simple items can make exciting patterns and designs.

Our role-play area transformed into a busy classroom shop, where the children sold baby clothes, eggs, and lots more, developing communication, maths, and social skills through imaginative play.

We also enjoyed exploring animals, learning interesting facts about different animals and building curiosity about the world around us.

**In Class 2** - This Week in Class 2! This week, we've started our new History topic on the Windrush Generation. In Maths, we've been practising new methods of long division and sharpening our times table skills. In English, we've begun writing Explanatory Texts and News Reports, and we are already full of great ideas. Well done everyone for a busy week of learning, discovering, and having fun!

## **Happy New Year!**

It has been a pleasure to welcome back all of our wonderful learners this week. Everyone has made a great start to the new term. Details of each class's curriculum has been shared with you through curriculum newsletters today.

## **Appropriate Clothing**

Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear for outdoor play including hats and gloves. Due to the nature of our lovely old building it is not always as toasty as we would like in some areas of school; on particularly cold days it may be advisable to wear an extra layer under school uniform.

## **Art Exhibition**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 4:30pm (Please note the change of date.)

This exciting event will include an exhibition of work, auction and opportunities to get creative! Please bring along family and friends. More details to follow.

## **Woodsmith Grant**

We are delighted to have been awarded a small grant from the Woodsmith Foundation to support the development of a school garden and forest school area. In the coming weeks we will be seeking volunteers to start work on creating a purposeful learning environment on our school field.

## **SATS Club**

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January - SATS Club will finish at the earlier time of 4pm due to staff training.

## **Nursery Places**

Nursery places are available for 3 and 4 year olds. Children can attend from their third birthday and can access up to 30 hours of funding. Those wanting a place should submit an application as soon as possible to secure their preferred attendance pattern.

## **Playgroups**

Thursday afternoon playgroups will resume from Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January.

1:15-2:00 St Hedda's Little Artists

2:00 - 2:30 Riffing Tots at St Hedda's

Please book via bookwhen to secure a place.

## **Wraparound Care**

Please remember to book clubs in advance by the Thursday for the following week and indicate approx. time of collection if you have booked for After School club. Thank you.

## **Arbor**

Just a new year reminder to please remember to log into Arbor and check all details are correct eg: contact numbers etc. Thank you.

## **Term dates**

These have been updated and shared with you, they can also be found on the school website.

**ACTIVE CALENDAR**  
**Jump into January 2026**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			<b>1st January</b> Star jumps Bronze: 10 Silver: 30 Gold: 50	<b>2nd January</b> Spotty dogs Bronze: 5 Silver: 15 Gold: 30	<b>3rd January</b> Go for a jog around your local area and time yourself	<b>4th January</b> Can you beat yesterday's time?
<b>5th January</b> Tuck jumps Bronze: 5 Silver: 20 Gold: 40	<b>6th January</b> Boxing squats Bronze: 10 Silver: 15 Gold: 20	<b>7th January</b> Lunges Bronze: 5 Silver: 10 Gold: 15	<b>8th January</b> Single leg balance Bronze: 10 seconds Silver: 20 seconds Gold: 30 seconds	<b>9th January</b> Slow calf raises Bronze: 5 Silver: 10 Gold: 15	<b>10th January</b> Toe touches Bronze: 6 Silver: 12 Gold: 24	<b>11th January</b> Can you beat yesterday's score?
<b>12th January</b> High knees Bronze: 5 Silver: 20 Gold: 30	<b>13th January</b> Punch the sky Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 50	<b>14th January</b> Side twists Bronze: 10 Silver: 30 Gold: 50	<b>15th January</b> March on the spot Bronze: 15 seconds Silver: 30 seconds Gold: 50 seconds	<b>16th January</b> Arm circles Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30	<b>17th January</b> Heel flicks Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	<b>18th January</b> Can you beat yesterday's score?
<b>19th January</b> Partner throw Bronze- 10 Silver- 20 Gold- 30+	<b>20th January</b> Tree Pose Bronze- 20 seconds Silver- 30 seconds Gold- 40 seconds	<b>21st January</b> Jump Squats Bronze- 10 Silver- 20 Gold- 30+	<b>22nd January</b> Arm Circles Bronze- 20 seconds Silver- 30 seconds Gold- 40 seconds	<b>23rd January</b> Open the Gates Bronze- 15 Silver- 25 Gold- 30+	<b>24th January</b> Sprint on the Spot Bronze- 25 seconds Silver- 30 seconds Gold- 50 seconds	<b>25th January</b> Can you beat yesterday's score?
<b>26th January</b> Shuttle Runs Bronze- 20 Silver- 35 Gold- 50	<b>27th January</b> Mountain Climbers Bronze- 15 Silver- 25 Gold- 40	<b>28th January</b> Throw- clap-catch Bronze- 2 claps Silver- 5 claps Gold- 7+ claps	<b>29th January</b> Crescent Moon Pose Bronze- 20 seconds Silver- 30 seconds Gold- 40 seconds	<b>30th January</b> Split Jumps Bronze- 15 Silver- 25 Gold- 30+	<b>31st January</b> Speed Jump Bronze- 40 Silver- 80 Gold- 120	Can you beat yesterday's score?

## FORTHCOMING DATES/EVENTS

### JANUARY 2026

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> - PD Day - school closed.**  
**Tues 6<sup>th</sup> - Children return to school**  
**Tues 6<sup>th</sup> - 11 a.m. Epiphany Mass**  
**Fri 16<sup>th</sup> - p.m. Swimming**  
**Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> - p.m. Swimming**  
**Wed 28<sup>th</sup> - Art Workshop**  
**Fri 30<sup>th</sup> - p.m. Swimming**

### FEBRUARY 2026

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> - p.m. Swimming (last session)**  
**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> - Class 1 Key Step Gymnastics, Whitby**  
**Thur 12<sup>th</sup> - 4.30 p.m. Art Exhibition and Auction**  
**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> - Fri 20<sup>th</sup> - Half Term**  
**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> - CAFOD Family Fast Day/Big Lent Walk**  
**Wed 25<sup>th</sup> - 9.15am Ash Wednesday Mass**