

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic start to the school year! I have been so impressed this week with how well the children have settled back in.

A special welcome to our new nursery and reception pupils and their families who joined us this week, a very warm welcome and we look forward to getting to know you and sharing this special journey with your family.

A warm welcome also to our new staff members. Miss Brambani who has joined us from Beech Hill School as our new Deputy Head and year 1 class teacher. Miss Cheetham (Reception class teacher) and Miss Fowler (Year 2 class teacher) who join us as newly qualified teachers this year. Finally Miss Grieve and Miss Barden who join us as lunchtime supervisors.

Have a lovely weekend—well done everyone for such a successful first week back!

Mrs F. Pether



Staff Training

This week all of our staff having been given their annual safeguarding refresher training. This involves reading our updated policies and any changes to the statutory guidance. They have also been reading the newly updated staff handbook ready for the new academic year. A reminder that we always feature a safeguarding notice each week in our newsletter and we have lots of guidance and advice in the safeguarding section on our school website.



Smartest Class of the Week

This week Year 5, Brazil Class are smartest class of the week!



SAFEGUARDING

Tips for parents on returning to school

Every child faces challenges when starting or heading back to school. Back to school can be exceptionally difficult for some children.

The school environment demands many things that Summer activities don't – the ability to sit, get organised, stay on task and adapt to a new structured, daily routine.

Children with or without special needs require a lot of help learning how to manage a new schedule. As a parent, you can ease your child's anxiety by modelling confidence and calm behaviour, and by imposing structure in family life (meal times, homework, and bedtime routines).

Setting time aside each day to talk to your child about challenges and new experiences at school, now is the perfect moment.

Anxious parents send anxious kids to school

Children are like sponges, absorbing the energy and adopting the behaviour around them. One of the most helpful things you can do as a parent/carer is model calm, confident behaviour, particularly when helping a child get ready for school. A child starts school no calmer than their least relaxed parent/carer.

Teachers matter, maybe even more than you think

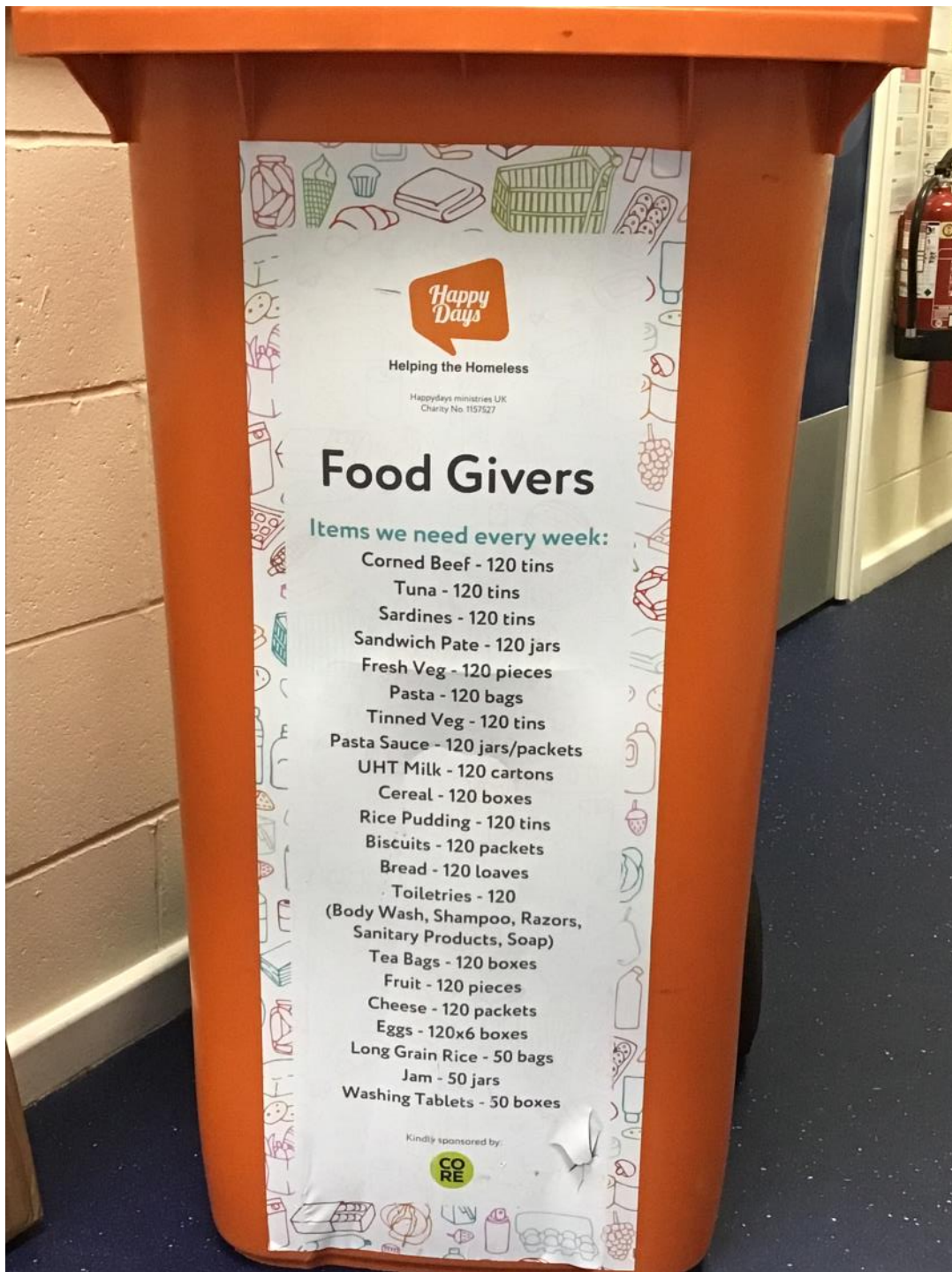
Teachers get to know a child's family through the child's eyes, and they get to know how a child behaves without his/her parent /carer present.

Young children with learning difficulties, as well as those without any documented problems, can benefit from their parents' involvement during homework time. Parents should **set aside time for a structured "homework session" each evening.**

Charity Food Bin

We have partnered up with Happy Days Charity to help the homeless in our community. If you would like to donate food items, toiletries, washing tablets, etc. please see the bin below with details of what is needed each week and bring to the school office from September onwards.

Dean Field is proud to help the community in any way possible and show our children the value of kindness and giving to others.



Year 6 Residential to Robinwood

From the first day back, year 6 went on a residential to Robinwood in Todmorden for 2 nights and 3 days. Pupils enjoyed many activities such as:

Giant Swing



Dungeon



Quest



Piranha Pool



Zip Line



Archery



Nightline



Trapeze



Climbing



Canoeing and water raft building

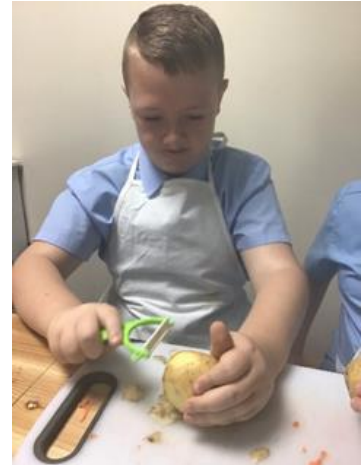


We had the best time and faced some of our biggest fears and gained wonderful memories. What a fantastic way to start the year!







Year 6 Cooking—Irish Stew

This week, some of the children in Year 6 cooked a traditional Irish Stew as part of their learning about their new class country - Ireland. They used lots of the DT skills which they have learnt over the years, such as the bridge grip and claw grip to safely cut and chop the vegetables. They also used a peeler to peel the carrots and potatoes, helped with the cooking on the hob and even did a fantastic job at tidying and cleaning up! The stew was absolutely delicious.



Week commencing Monday 11th September

 School Meals Menu - Week 2 					
2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Meal Option	Chicken Nuggets 5	Chicken Curry 3	Full English Breakfast Sausage 5 or Quorn Sausage 5 Omelette 10, 12 Hash Browns 5, 10, 12	Roast Chicken Dinner Yorkshire Puddings 5, 10, 12 Gravy	Pizza 1, 5, 10
	Fishcakes 2, 5	Naan Bread 5		Homemade Macaroni Cheese 5, 10	Homemade Vegetable Biryani 3
Vegetables	Curly Fries 5 Beans Veg Sticks	Roast Vegetable Paninis 5, 10, 14	Beans Tomatoes	Garlic Bread 5, 10, 14 Roast Potatoes Broccoli Cauliflower	Chips Beans
Served Daily	Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Salad Bar Selection of Sandwiches/Subs/Wraps				
Dessert	American Pancakes 5, 10, 12	Treacle Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 10	Iced Cake 5, 10, 12	Choc Orange Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 10	Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12
	Chocolate Swirls 10	Crispy Buns 4, 5, 10	Jelly	Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12	Chocolate Ice Cream 10

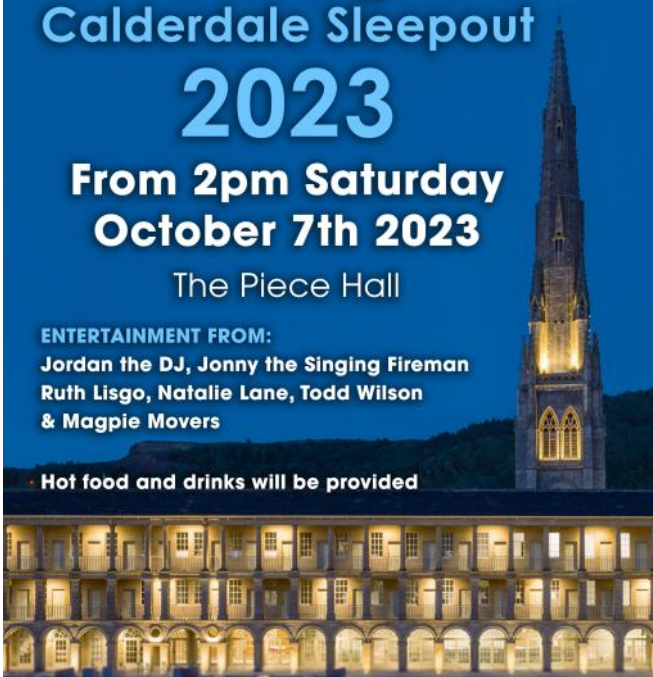
The Big Calderdale Sleepout 2023

From 2pm Saturday October 7th 2023

The Piece Hall



ENTERTAINMENT FROM:
 Jordan the DJ, Jonny the Singing Fireman
 Ruth Lisgo, Natalie Lane, Todd Wilson
 & Magpie Movers

Hot food and drinks will be provided



Book your tickets by scanning the QR code or visiting www.rb.gy/yukr1

For more info, please email:
paula@calderdalesmartmove.org.uk

DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Thursday 14th September	CAMHS Parent Workshop 9:15-10:15am

REMINDER: All school fees, dinner money, extended provision and Nursery need to be paid in advance.

We do not offer any credit and there are no exceptions.

Please pay fees on time.

REMINDER: We are a nut free school and we would appreciate that any lunchboxes do not include nut products to protect the children in school with nut allergies.



Polite Reminders

Please drop Nursery children off after other siblings and pick up Nursery children first at the end of the day, due to the different times to the rest of school.



Please contact the school office if any of your contact details, address, etc. have changed.

Please do not let your child climb the wall at the front of school that surrounds the ramp.

This Weeks Attendance

Congratulations to Kenya class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Well done to Brazil class for coming second. I am seriously concerned of classes who are below 96%. Meetings with parents of children who are of concern will occur.

If your child is absent from school please contact the school office on 01422 258258 before 9.00am.

It is important we are aware of the reason for your child/children's absence. It becomes a safeguarding concern if parents do not inform school when their child/children are absent. Please contact the school office on the first day of absence before 9am stating reasons for any absence. This will avoid absences being recorded as unauthorised.

If you have any concerns or questions surrounding your child/children's attendance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks,
Loraine Stansfield, Pastoral Manager

Group	% Attendance
China	92.4%
Australia	96.3%
Poland	95.8%
Kenya	100%
Brazil	97.8%
Ireland	96.8%
Total	96.5%

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

China Year 1	Freddie W	For setting a beautiful example of good sitting and listening!
	Libby H	For being brave and confident during transition!
Australia Year 2	Jakub Z	For putting lots of effort in during math's and English this week.
	Lilly-Jo F	For setting a wonderful example of listening and trying her best in every lesson.
Poland Year 3	Keeley C	For always sitting beautifully and patiently in between lessons.
	Elliot R	For always paying attention and participating in all lessons.
Kenya Year 4	Nico G	For participating in ALL lessons.
	Summer-Rae B	For engaging in ALL lessons.
Brazil Year 5	Sofie A	For being an enthusiastic reader.
	Alfie B	For an excellent first week!
Ireland Year 6	Annelese R	For being a fantastic chef and all round helper!
	Elliot C	For being a superstar on residential.