

Dear parents/carers,

It was wonderful to see so many of you attend our mid-year parents' evening. I hope those of you who did attend found it useful. If for any reason you couldn't make your appointment please do get in touch with your child's class teacher or the office to organise a convenient time to speak with them about your child's progress.

The end of year reports to parents will come out some time in July and there will be an opportunity to speak with class teachers about the information in the reports should you wish to but there will not be another parents' evening now this academic year.

We are excited to announce three new initiatives this term!

Leadership Award

As well as our gold book certificates given out to two children from each class every Friday, we are now introducing a new '*Learning Without Limits Leadership Award*'. Any member of staff can nominate any child in school to receive one each week for showing leadership qualities such as thinking of ideas for improving the school, helping others, demonstrating the school values or speaking up for what is right. We are looking forward to giving out our first certificates today!

House Points linked to the behaviour tracker

At the end of each half term children will be awarded house points according to their position on the class behaviour tracker.

Bronze = 25 house points

Silver = 50 house points

Gold = 75 house points

Superstar = 100 house points

Attendance incentive

Classes with a combined attendance of at least 96% will receive £5 each every week to spend however they wish. They can bank the money up over a half term/term and have a reward of their choice, buy wet playtime games or have a treat of their choice.



As a bonus, classes with 100% attendance each week will receive an additional £5 taking the total amount each class can win each week to £10 if everyone attends.

Finally, the temperatures are set to rise this weekend. Here's just a reminder of our recommendations for hot weather.

- * ensure your child has a water bottle in school to stay hydrated
- * send your child to school with sun cream already applied
- * send your child to school in appropriate clothing for the weather and a sun hat if possible

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Fiona Pether



SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding Children & Promoting British Values

Creating a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment for all children

What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding is about protecting children from harm and ensuring they grow up healthy, happy, and safe.

- ✔ Prevents abuse, neglect, and exploitation
- ✔ Promotes physical and emotional well-being
- ✔ Supports safe, nurturing environments
- ✔ Encourages children to speak up and be heard

The 5 British Values & How They Protect Children

1. Democracy

- Children are encouraged to express their views and make choices
- Builds confidence and teaches that every voice matters

2. Rule of Law

- Clear boundaries and expectations help children feel secure
- Teaches fairness and respect for rules and laws

3. Individual Liberty

- Children are supported in making safe, informed choices
- Fosters independence and self-esteem

4. Mutual Respect

- Respect for others is modelled and reinforced
- Reduces bullying and promotes kindness


5. Tolerance of Different Faiths & Beliefs

- Diversity is celebrated and differences are valued
- Promotes unity, inclusion, and understanding

Why It Matters

When British values are embedded in daily life:

- Children learn how to protect themselves and others
- They feel safe, respected, and included
- They develop the tools to thrive in modern British society

 Safeguarding and British values go hand-in-hand. Together, they help build a world where children feel secure, empowered, and valued.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about STREAMERS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Livestreaming has become a big part of the entertainment people consume, and what began as a series of gamers sharing their screens has grown into a huge industry packed with personalities - and potential risks for your children. With over 2.5 million people watching Twitch, the most popular streaming service, at any one time, it's important to remain aware of the risks associated with streamers.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some gaming streamers will stick to family-friendly titles, but others will play more violent games that tend to be more popular. Non-gaming streamers could, in theory, discuss just about anything, and some streamers will often stream in revealing outfits.



NEGATIVE INFLUENCES

While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't always stated explicitly. While it's unlikely these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged (knowingly or not) in scams in the past.



FINANCIAL HARM

Streamers will often have donation buttons on their screens for users to submit money. What can start as small amounts can quickly spiral as streamers engage with paying viewers more often, potentially leading to financial issues.



UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS

Influencers often showcase how glamorous their lives are, making some users see as though they are lesser. However, it's important to stress that, in many ways, this is an act, or at the very least, not common. Logan Paul, who has been successful as a streamer and influencer, has a Pokemon card worth \$5 million, but this is atypical of anyone working in the medium.



MISINFORMATION

Streamers are, in many ways, just like us - and they can get things wrong or reel off an opinion without having thought about it. Some can simply say awful things to get a rise out of viewers or to sway them to their side of a hot topic.



ADDICTION AND SCREEN TIME

If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.



Advice for Parents & Educators

EXPLAIN HOW STREAMING WORKS

For a younger viewer, being a streamer or influencer seems aspirational, but it involves a lot of work and no small degree of good fortune. Streamers are often managed and unable to speak freely due to sponsors, and influencers are just that - influencing young minds, for better or for worse.



CHECK OUT STREAMING PLATFORMS

While Twitch was the de facto streaming service for years, YouTube has gained popularity, too. Then there are Kick and Rumble, which have grown in popularity with moves for big-name streamers - despite many being dogged by controversy.



DO NOT LOG PAYMENT INFORMATION

Streamers can reward donations with additional content, on-camera "shout outs" and more. If you're unsure about who or what your child is watching, consider avoiding linking payment information. This is especially notable with Twitch, which is owned by Amazon and therefore has some crossover.



SET SCREEN TIME LIMITS

You can set screentime limits for mobile apps on iOS and Google, but with other platforms like a PC it may be more difficult to keep tabs. Consider checking in regularly to ensure your children aren't watching content they shouldn't be.



Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of the Daily Star, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including iSM, TechRadar, and plenty more.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/streamers>

Educational Trips and Visits

Year 3 Trip to Murton Park

On Tuesday, Poland class visited Murton Park in York. They took part in an Anglo Saxon day filled with lots of exciting activities. The children and staff were dressed in traditional Anglo Saxon cloaks and were learning what it was like to live in an Anglo Saxon village. They completed activities such as candle making, calligraphy writing, games and warrior skills.



BEAT THE STREETS

On Thursday, we held the Beat the Streets winners award ceremony. Dean Field are the winning school with over 182,000 points! We received a £1000 voucher to spend on sporting equipment!

We also celebrated with the community winners Magpies and The Addys.

The three winners:

1. Deacon - received a brand new bike, certificate and Beat the Street teddy.
2. Tullulah
3. Eleanor

A huge well done to all pupils, families and staff who got involved!



DEANFIELD'S GOT TALENT

On Friday 4th April, Dean Field welcomed in some guest judges, Billy Eilish, Lady Gaga and Simon Cowell for Dean Field's Got Talent!

All participant's performances were amazing and the efforts and hard work leading up to the talent show really showed! Well done to all!



And congratulations to our winners. 1st Place Rocco S, 2nd Place Isaac P, 3rd Place Frankie R





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23 April 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Travelling to School Consultation – Have Your Say by 11 June 2025

We are writing to make you aware and encourage your input into a public consultation.

As a parent or carer, you will know the importance of good transport options including public transport, walking, wheeling and cycling, to connect children and young people to education and opportunity. This should be convenient, safe and affordable, no matter where you are in West Yorkshire.

Here at the Combined Authority, we are working hard to deliver an integrated, sustainable and reliable transport system that connects all parts of our region so everyone can access the places they need to live fulfilled lives, including access to education.

We are therefore undertaking a consultation to get your views on how we can best support travel to school. This includes our policy regarding dedicated bus services to secondary schools, and how children and young people travel to their place of education in the future.

As a parent or carer of a child currently in primary school and likely to be considering options for secondary school, we want to understand you and your child's needs, to help shape our future plans. Your views will help us create a new, sustainable travel to school strategy, with any resulting changes to secondary school services not expected to be introduced until September 2026 at the earliest. Transport for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and school bus services to primary schools are **not part of this consultation and will remain unaffected**.

We want to understand what's most important to you when choosing a secondary school and learn more about your future travel arrangements. It's important to share your views whether your child walks, wheels, cycles, travels by bus, car, train or uses a dedicated school bus.

The consultation opens on 23 April and you'll have until 11 June 2025 to participate.

To find out more and complete the survey, visit our website:
yourvoice.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/school-travel

For any queries about this consultation, please email:
schooltravelconsultation@westyorks-ca.gov.uk

Yours faithfully,

Tim Taylor
Director of Transport Services
West Yorkshire Combined Authority

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Family Hubs
Calderdale



CIRCLE OF SECURITY

PARENTING COURSE

Innovations Family Hub

8 week course (1 week break for half term)

Starts Wednesday 30th April until Wednesday 25th June

9.30am – 11am

The Circle of Security course aims to help you view situations from your child's perspective, to further understand their feelings and emotions. .

MYRTLE PARK

Family

FUN
DAY



SATURDAY
26TH APRIL
12PM TILL 4PM

JOIN US FOR
THE OFFICIAL
OPENING OF
THE PARK AT
12PM!

**ALL
FREE**

Our Family Fun Day is packed with activities for all ages, including:

- 🎨 **FACE PAINTING**
- 🍱 **LUNCH BOXES FOR KIDS**
- ✂️ **ARTS & CRAFTS**
- 🏊 **TRY THE NEW GYM EQUIPMENT**
- 🔍 **SCAVENGER HUNT**
- 🚲 **BRING YOUR BIKE TO GET FIXED**
- ⚽ **PENALTY SHOOT OUT**
- 🏆 **CHANCE OF WINNING A BIKE**
- 🥊 **BOXING WITH HALIFAX BOXING CLUB**



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PLEASE NOTE THE SMALL SECTION OF
MYRTLE AVENUE INFRONT OF THE PARK WILL
BE CLOSED DURING THE EVENT TO ALLOW



National
Autistic
Society

Calderdale
Branch

Support | Influence | Transform

calderdalenas.org.uk

ROLLER SKATING

First Saturday of the month @ YMCA

Roll into fun at our monthly roller skating session for autistic individuals aged 8-19. Age is a guide so please ask if your child/young person is outside the age as we will try and accommodate families depending on numbers.



YOUTH GROUP

Second Friday of the month @ Forest Cottage

Join us for an inclusive and engaging Youth Group gathering! Connect with fellow autistic young minds every second Friday of the month at Forest Cottage. Enjoy a variety of activities, from card games and arts and crafts to gaming on the Nintendo Switch.



JUNIOR LEGO CLUB

@ St Peter's Community Centre, Sowerby

Join our Junior LEGO Club, a creative and inclusive space designed for children to explore, build, and connect with others! Our club provides a supportive environment where kids can enhance their social skills, boost their creativity, and have fun through the imaginative world of LEGO.



ADULT BOWLING

@ Electric Bowl

Attention autistic adults! Come join us at Electric Bowl for an evening of bowling, laughter, and great times. Whether you're aiming for strikes or just here to enjoy the social atmosphere, this is the perfect opportunity to connect, unwind, and have fun in a welcoming, supportive community.



TEEN BOWLING

Third Friday of the month @ Electric Bowl

Calling all autistic teens! Join us for Teen Bowling on the third Friday of every month. Gather at Electric Bowl for a fun-filled evening of strikes, spares, and great company. Embrace the joy of friendly competition, make new friends, and create unforgettable memories.



JUNIOR BOWLING

Last Tuesday/Wednesday of the month @ Electric Bowl

Join us for Junior Bowling on the third Friday of every month! Head to Electric Bowl for a fun evening filled with laughter, bowling, and new friends. This is a great chance to learn the game, celebrate every roll, and enjoy time with others in a friendly, welcoming space!



SOFT PLAY GROUP

During the school holidays @ Play Palace

Dive into the NAS Soft Play Group at Play Palace in Halifax! During school holiday periods, our sessions are the ultimate haven for children aged 0 to 11 years. Let your little ones explore and play in a safe, inclusive environment that celebrates every child's unique journey.



If you would like to contribute to our autistic community and are interested in volunteering at any of our activity groups or wish to lead one of your own, take the first step by applying to become a NAS volunteer. Simply scan the QR code to embark on a fulfilling journey of making a positive impact in the lives of others.



Find us on social media or email us:
calderdale.branch@nas.org.uk

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HEALTH CHARITY FUNDRAISER!



Heath RUFC



North Dean, Stainland Rd,
Greetland, Halifax HX4 8LS

SUNDAY 25TH MAY

1PM TIL LATE!

2025
IS OUR
10TH

Birthday!

ADULT - £10

STUDENT - £5

CHILD 12-15 - £5

UNDER 12'S - FREE



LIVE MUSIC, GOOD FOOD, FREE KIDS'
ACTIVITIES AND MUCH MORE.

Early bird 20% discount
code: BIRTHDAY

SUMMER BASH

WHATS ON!

Amazing food

**Free kids
activities**



Live bands

**Welly wanging
championships**



Dog



Competition

Enter your furry friend

INVICTUS
well-being



Face painting

**Fun for all
the family**

**Cocktails and
Mocktails**



Fun and Games

**Giant
inflatables**

**Watch this space
more to follow...**

Would you and your family like to participate in our Invictus Inflatable fun run to help raise vital funds for our charity? Would you be able to raise £150 per person? This would also mean you would be able to race for free. This a fun event with many inflatable obstacles to go at. Suitable for children aged 5+



Fun for all the family!

THE INFLATABLE 5K - FUN RUN

The Inflatable 5k is not a race. It's all about having fun and taking part with friends and family. Whilst having fun, you'll be helping us raise vital funds to support Children's and Young people's mental health in West Yorkshire



REGISTER NOW 

 **Saturday 14th June**
9-2.30PM

 **Harewood House**
Leeds, LS17 9LG

 **Registered with**
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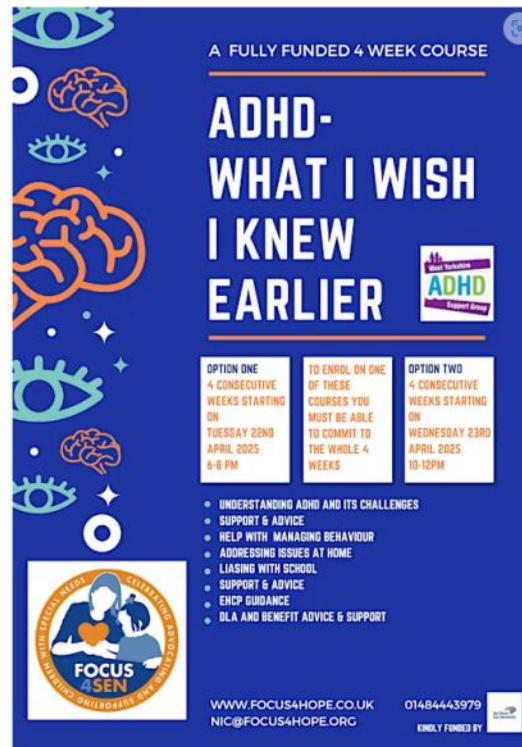
PLEASE USE THINK LINK BELOW TO BOOK A PLACE

<https://form.jotform.com/243053813602044>

Another opportunity to take part in their fantastic course. Run in collaboration with ADHD West Yorkshire. Please follow the links below for booking. This is a fully funded course but really important you can commit to the 4 weeks to get the full benefits. Both courses are run in person from our community hub within Brighthouse town centre.

June 3rd 6-8pm <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/copy-of-adhd-what-i-wish-i-knew-earlier-tickets->

June 4th 10am-12 midday <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/copy-of-copy-of-adhd-what-i-wish-i-knew-earlier-tickets>



How Kooth and Qwell meets the needs of SEND & neurodivergent young people

Join us on this 30-minute webinar designed for families, exploring how Kooth - with its 'out of hours' availability, anonymous digital chat support and asynchronous messaging - is well placed to meet the specific needs of neurodivergent young people.

connect.kooth.com



COURSES & WORKSHOPS SEND SUPPORT IN EDUCATION



4 WEEK COURSE! Refreshments and biscuits provided!

"I just wanted to say thank you for running the course 'SEND support in Education. I have just heard that my parental request for an EHCP has been approved."

WHO

A course to help empower Parent Carers to secure the education their child is legally entitled to.

The course will be delivered by a Parent Carer who is also trained specifically in SEND.

WHAT

This course will increase Parent Carers knowledge and understanding of the SEN Legal Framework. The course will cover:-

- Reasonable adjustments in school.
- What is an Individual Education Plan (IEP)?
- What is an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP)?
- How do I get an EHCP ?.
- What if they say no ?.

WHERE

Unique Ways
Hanson Lane Enterprise Centre, Hanson Lane,
Halifax, HX1 5PG

WHEN

Tuesdays 10am until 1pm
Starting Tuesday 22nd April 2025
for 4 consecutive weeks: 22nd, 29th April
6th, 13th May 2025.

WHY

Because we know that the world of SEN support in schools is confusing and can be very different from area to area and school to school. Parent Carers need to feel empowered to have what they might think are difficult conversations relating to what education their child is legally entitled to.

BOOK ONLINE: <https://Send22042025.eventbrite.co.uk>

COURSE BOOKING WILL OPEN 8 WEEKS PRIOR TO THE COURSE START DATE

Whole School Values

As a school, our vision is 'Learning without Limits' and being guided by our school values.



This half term's value is



School Lottery

So far we have raised a huge £3000 through the School Lottery. If you would like to support our school and help us raise funds to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment and organise extracurricular activities such as music, art and sport please sign up and be in with a chance of winning the super draw or £1000 cash!

Cash prizes are guaranteed weekly for one player locally plus money for school. You can also win up to £25,000!

Follow the link to sign up— <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play>.



Enter our
Super Draw
Win a £1,000 Aldi Gift Card
OR £1,000 CASH PRIZE



ALDI

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

Dean Field
Community Primary School

The advertisement features a vibrant blue background with a pattern of small white dots. In the center, a large, stylized Aldi logo is displayed within a yellow and orange border. Below the logo, a variety of fresh produce, including bananas, apples, broccoli, and a pineapple, are shown alongside a brown paper shopping bag. The text 'Enter our Super Draw' is prominently displayed at the top, followed by 'Win a £1,000 Aldi Gift Card' and 'OR £1,000 CASH PRIZE' in a yellow banner. The bottom left corner includes the 'YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY' logo and the 'Dean Field Community Primary School' logo.

Week commencing Monday 28th April

|  School Meals Menu - Week 2  | | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| 2 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Hot Meal Option | Southern Fried Chicken Goujons 1, 5 | Sausages 5 Gravy | Battered Fish 2, 5 | Roast Chicken Dinner Yorkshire Puddings 5, 10, 12 | Pizza 5, 10 |
| | Tomato Pasta 5, 10 | Homemade Onion Bhaji Samosas 5 Savoury Rice | Homemade Cheese & Onion Pie 5, 10, 12 | Quorn Sausages 5 | Homemade Macaroni Cheese 5, 10 Garlic Bread 5, 10, 14 |
| Vegetables | Potato Puffs Spaghetti 5 Peas | Potato Wedges Broccoli Sweetcorn | Chips Mushy Peas | Roast Potatoes Broccoli Carrots | Potato Cubes 5 Beans Sweetcorn |
| Served Daily | Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Salad Bar Selection of Sandwiches Allergies for the daily items available on request | | | | |
| Dessert | Assorted Biscuits 5, 10, 12 | Iced Cake 5, 10, 12 | Cupcakes 5, 10, 12 | Jam Sponge 5, 10, 12 Custard 10 | Assorted Fresh Baking 5, 10, 12 |
| | Strawberry Swirls 10 | Jelly | Cornflake Buns 4, 5, 10 | Angel Delight 10 | Chocolate Ice Cream 10 |

A few reminders of the Apps we use in school which can also be accessed at home to enhance your child's learning.

EYFS-Nursery and Reception



<https://tentown.co.uk/login-page-class>

Please ask your class teacher for a login

Year 1 and 2



<https://numbots.com/#>

Please ask your class teacher for a log in

Year 1 to 6



<https://play.trockstars.com/auth/school/student>

Please ask your class teacher for a log in



Year 2 to 6

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

Please ask your class teacher for a log in

DIARY DATES

| DATE | EVENT |
|----------------------|---|
| Tuesday 29th April | Nursery Parents Evening |
| Wednesday 30th April | Vape Awareness Workshop @Halifax Rugby |
| Thursday 8th May | Northern Arts Dance Factory Performance @Crossley Heath Grammar School |
| Monday 12th May | KS2 SAT's Start |

REMINDER: All school fees, dinner money, extended provision and

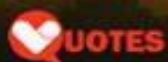
REMINDER: We are a nut free school and we would appreciate

REMINDER: If your child has asthma please ensure they have an inhaler in school and you have filled out a medical



"When the world is so complicated, the simple gift of friendship is within all of our hands."

Maria Shriver



vlovequotes.com

Accelerated Reader – Reading Achievements this week



AR Results:

Australia 87%
Poland: 83%
Kenya: 65%
Brazil: 70%
Ireland: 83%

You could help increase your class percentage by doing some extra reading on myON! There are thousands of books for you to choose from! If you need a reminder of your login details, please speak to your teacher. Visit <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/> to start reading!

Evolve First Aid System

The new first aid system is now live so please check your junk email and update us if you change your email address.

Bumped head texts will no longer be sent as every incident will be emailed to parents and no paper slips will be sent home.

School will continue to ring parents if we feel further information needs passing on or in the event of further medical treatment needed.

Thank you for your cooperation.

EVOLVEaccidentbook

| Group | % Attendance |
|-----------|--------------|
| Mexico | 97.5% |
| China | 97.4% |
| Australia | 95.4% |
| Poland | 91.7% |
| Kenya | 98.1% |
| Brazil | 94.6% |
| Ireland | 95.5% |
| Total | 95.7% |

This Weeks Attendance

Congratulations to China class who had the highest attendance in the school this week. Well done to Mexico 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



Learning without Limits Leadership Award



This week saw the launch of the Learning without Limits Leadership Award.

The award recognises outstanding leadership, dedication and commitment to fostering a culture of 'Learning Without Limits' and helping others to do their best and believe in themselves. Recipients of the award also show great courage, creativity and kindness, making our school a better place.

Winners this week:

Levi N. Sarah A, Jessica S, Lucas W, Asmaria B, Ollie C, Alex H, Sydney A and Vihaan P.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

| | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|--|
| Mexico Reception | Isaac T-M | Great progress in RWI and trying really hard to listen at group time. |
| | Reggie | Remembering school rules and having a great week. |
| China Year 1 | Mia O'N | Outstanding effort in all lessons but an especially amazing contribution during English. |
| | Evie E | For a superb piece of artwork. |
| Australia Year 2 | Jacob S | He has really engaged with his learning this week and contributed well. |
| | Lucas | He has shown great enthusiasm about our topic on the Great Fire of London. |
| Poland Year 3 | Chad H | For your outstanding enthusiasm and knowledge on our trip to Murton Park |
| | Jakub Z | For your effort and determination in all lessons this week. |
| Kenya Year 4 | Joshua S | For a huge amount of progress in his writing this last few weeks. |
| | Melissa M | For being more independent in class. |
| Brazil Year 5 | Joshua G | For always being a superstar and being helpful. |
| | Charlie G | Improved focus and listening skills all week. |
| Ireland Year 6 | Anthony-James H | For his fantastic efforts in maths this week. |
| | Lewis S | Excellent engagement in all learning. |