

# Head's Lines

Be kind, be ready, be curious

24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## SHOE BOX APPEAL

Operation Christmas Child.

Yearly, we get involved with this wonderful initiative. To fill the shoe box of new items is incredibly costly so this year we are asking for class donations and Dorinder (our superb PTA member) will make these shoe boxes up. We will put a box in each class and ask for a small donation.

All donations need to be in school for the 7th November. Any monetary gifts can be put towards sending the boxes.

Doing it this way, all children can contribute with a small new gift, should they want to.

Your little gift may be the one to fill up the last gap in a box!

We'll post on socials examples of what can go in, but a lovely new item will brighten someone's Christmas morning. Thank you as always for your support in all we do.

## Attendance

Attendance will continue to be a key focus of this academic year. We will monitor all children's attendance as children who are in school, learn more and are more equipped for life-long experiences.

We ask you to book holidays outside of the school term, within the school breaks to allow this to happen.

Reception	83%
Year one	92%
Year two	96%
Year three	100%
Year four	93%
Year five	96%
Year six	97%

## Dates for your diary:

24.10.25 School closes for the half term.

3.11.25 – School Closed – PD Day

4.11.25 Flu immunisations in school

7.11.25 Y1 to Kirkleatham museum

10.11.25 Meeting at 5pm for year 3 and 4 residential

11.11.25 Y4 to Kirkleatham museum

11.11.25 Remembrance service on school playground 10.45am

11.11.25 & 12.11.25 EYFS parents evening

18.11.25 Y3 to the land of Iron

5.12.25 Christmas dinner

9.12.25 Pantomime at Billingham Forum

12.12.25 WW2 Museum in the classroom

This term has been so busy! But your children have been amazing as always. The roof replacement has taken some time to rectify – thank you for your support with this.

We would like to wish you all a wonderful half term break and we will see you on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

## School closure

School closes for the half term break on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October and reopens on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

There is a Trust wide PD day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November and school will be closed to pupils and staff.