



3rd October 2025

Newsletter

Congratulations to our winners this week!

Achievement and Ethos Awards

Isaac, Isley, Ben, Zak, Jake, Frankie, Iylah, Samuel, Max, Sonny, Isobel and Roman

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you so much for your promptness with morning dropping off. We had visitors in school on Thursday, and they could not believe how quickly children were in their classrooms and engaged in their learning. Going forward should you be late and drop off at our main reception, you may be asked to complete a form with the reasons for the late arrival.

Our visitors also commented on how calm and purposeful the learning environment was throughout the whole school, and the focus your child/children showed to their learning. We see this on a daily basis, but it is truly lovely when we hear others comment on this too.

Our reception children have been on the main playground at lunchtime this week and another huge thank you to year 6. They have supported their buddies and played with them throughout lunchtime. It has been a delight to observe. It's fair to say they are much better than I am at encouraging reception to line up at the end of lunch!

Finally, I would like to introduce our Junior Leaders. They were appointed at the end of the summer term so well done to Danny, Armaan, Jack M, Charlotte and Grace. We are sure they will do a great job if the collaboration and maturity they showed when picking the colours for their hoodies is anything to go by!

For now, wishing you all a wonderful weekend and see you on Monday.

Kind regards,

Guia Marsland

Oracy Leaders in Oracy October!

Our Oracy Leaders have now been appointed in every year group.

Well done to Aleena, Freddie, Jago, Remi, George, Oscar, Nell, Max, Lizzie, Malakai, Phoenix and Luna for stepping up to this role.



Word Watchers

Help monitor the use of 100 new words across the school.



Turn-Taking Champions

Encourage friends to listen well and take turns when talking.



Oracy Champions

Nominate pupils to receive recognition for their good oracy skills.

Most importantly, you'll be a **role model** for confident and respectful communication!

Year 2

We had a very exciting delivery from Mummy Dragon in Year 2 this week. We discussed, as a class, how we might look after our new addition to the classroom. We are all looking forward to writing some excellent instructions on how to look after a baby dragon, after reading '*The Egg*' by M. P. Robertson.



Year 1

In science this week Year 1 have been learning about our sense of taste. The children got to try some different foods. We discussed whether the foods were salty, sweet, sour, bitter or spicy.



Thomas said: "The lemon is really sour."

Edith and Isley enjoyed the limes!



Orla said: "The strawberry is sweet!"

Happening tonight!

FOSC WINE NIGHT



Come and join us for a fun
and lighthearted evening
trying some mystery wines
and delicious cheese 🍷🧀

Friday 3rd October
7 for 7.30pm start
School Hall

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LOTTERY

**Join the fun and help to raise
money for school books!**

HOW DOES THE SCHOOL LOTTERY WORK?!

- **£4 a month**
- **Monthly draw with 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes**
- **Winners announced on Facebook**
- **MORE PLAYERS = BIGGER PRIZES**

Will you be the lucky winner this month??

50% of funds go towards books for school and 50% go towards 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes

FOSC AUTUMN EVENTS

**20
25**

**OCT
03**

WINE NIGHT

7 PM : SCHOOL HALL

**NOV
11**

FOSC MEETING

7 PM : SCHOOL BUNGALOW

**NOV
14**

BEETLE DRIVE

4:30PM : SCHOOL HALL

**DEC
12**

WINTER WARMER

3:15 PM : SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

**DEC
19**

SANTA'S GROTTO

DURING SCHOOL DAY

Is your child due to start secondary school in 2026?



You can apply online until
Friday 31 October 2025 for a
Year 7 place in **September 2026**

www.leeds.gov.uk/apply



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CITY COUNCIL





Please Keep Our Children Safe

A reminder again not to park on the cul-de-sac of Thornfield Road and if friends or relatives who may not be aware, please let them know. This will stop us speaking to grandparents who were not aware!

We do continue to monitor here and would highlight that there appears to be work going on near one of the houses and there are sometimes vans parked on the pavement. Please take extra care here.

This week we were contacted by residents as double parking on Arncliffe Road meant that no-one could pass. We think the car/cars involved were linked to school.



Please arrive in plenty of time for pick-up so you can find a safe space to park which may be slightly further away. This will ensure the safety of everyone.

SCHOOL MEALS

Orders must be placed on www.parentpay.com by 3.30pm on a Friday for the following week. If meals are not ordered a packed lunch must be provided. Thank you for all your support with this – it really makes a difference.

LOST PROPERTY

Any named lost property found has been returned to classes. I hope that you were re-united with some uniform which was out on display during the recent parent consultations.

Lost property will continue to be stored in the boxes outside of school.

We have some stocks of spare uniform so please do let school know if you need any uniform and will from time to time put this on display and please take what you need.

PE KIT REMINDERS

Unfortunately, children are still not adhering to the PE kit uniform. We continue to see an array of coloured tops, shorts and many branded t-shirts and sweatshirts. The uniform is as follows:

- Black PE shorts/jogging bottoms
- Plain round necked t-shirt in team colours
- Plain sweatshirt in team colour, bottle green or black (no branded items).



We are still seeing colourful and branded sweatshirts. Please support with this.



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Families applying for **Reception** places for **September 2026**, or **Nursery** places year round, are invited to attend

Open Days



Discover more and register your attendance

Dates in **September, October, November & January**

Thursday
25th September
9.15 - 10.45am

Wednesday
22nd October
9.15 - 10.45am

Wednesday
19th November
1.30 - 2.45pm

Tuesday
6th January
1.30 - 2.45pm

30 HOURS FREE

Children in the early years thrive. The early years setting is an exciting place to be. It nurtures children's curiosity and imagination.

Ofsted, July 2024



Childcare

Affordable & fun wraparound childcare from 7:30am to 6:00pm

Easter & Summer Holiday Clubs





Join us to explore everything **Abbey Grange C of E Academy** has to offer

Open Evening

Thursday
**9th
October**
5-8pm

Butcher Hill, Leeds LS16 5EA

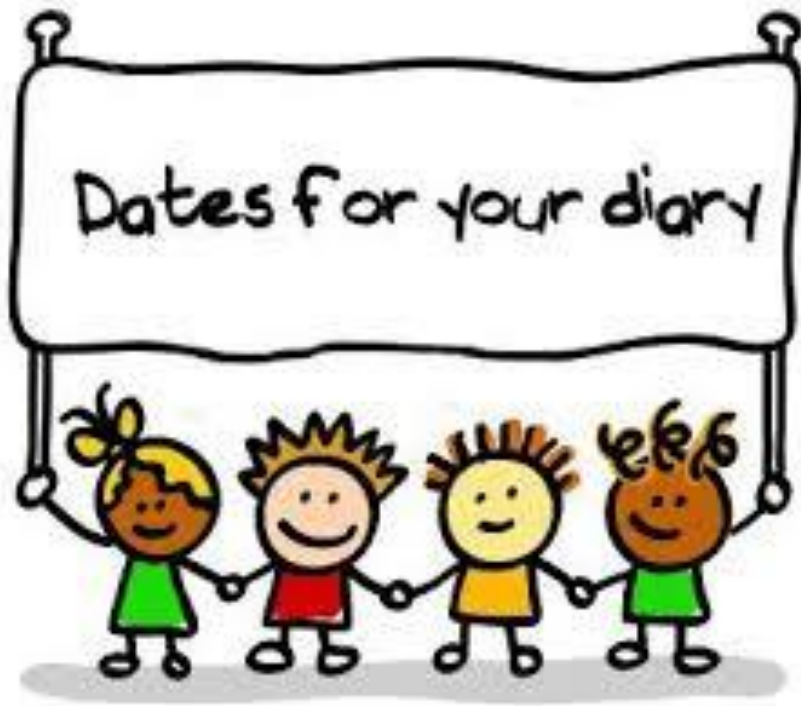
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Open to pupils in **Year 5 & 6**
and their families

REGISTER ONLINE

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The whole school calendar is shown on the next few pages. Some dates as you will appreciate are subject to change. Any dates which have changed since the previous calendar as shared in the summer term are shown in red.

There has been a change to one of the dates previously shared in the summer term for parent consultations. Parent Consultations are as follows:

- Monday 13th October (Year 1 only)
- Tuesday 14th October (N, R, Y2- Y6)
- Thursday 16th October (All School)



Parent Consultation Booking

You have until this Sunday 5th October 6.00pm to book your Parent Consultation Appointment

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NOTE: Changes since previously issued shown in red.



AUTUMN TERM	
September 2025	
Tuesday 2 nd September	8.45am school opens to Nursery, Year 1 to Year 6
Tuesday 2 nd September	3.15pm Year 1 Welcome Meeting
Wednesday 3 rd September	Phased start for new Reception pupils
Thursday 4 th September	3.15pm Year 2 Welcome Meeting
Friday 5 th September	3.15pm Year 4 Welcome Meeting
Monday 8 th September	3.15pm Year 5 Welcome Meeting
Tuesday 9 th September	Year 4 swimming starts (pm)
Tuesday 9 th September	3.15pm Year 3 Welcome Meeting
Tuesday 9 th September	FOSC Meeting No1 ~ approx. 7pm in the school hall
Wednesday 10 th September	Year 6 Trip (The Royal Armouries)
Wednesday 10 th September	8.45am all Reception children start full time
Thursday 11 th September	9 – 10am Coffee Morning New Reception Parents
Friday 12 th September	9 – 10am Coffee Morning New Reception Parents
Friday 12 th September	No Family Worship
Monday 15 th September	3.15pm Reception Welcome Meeting
Tuesday 16 th September	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Tuesday 16 th September	3.15pm Year 6 Welcome Meeting including briefing about Robin Wood
Thursday 18 th September	Nursing Team (school immunisations) in school
Monday 22 nd September	Year 6 Robin Wood Trip
Tuesday 23 rd September	Year 6 Robin Wood Trip
Wednesday 24 th September	Year 6 Robin Wood Trip
Thursday 25 th September	9.15am – 10.45am New Reception 2026 entry and Nursery Open Event
Friday 26 th September	Parent Consultation ~ Booking goes live at 6.30pm
Tuesday 30 th September	Fire Brigade Talk to Year 5/Year 6 (provisional)
October 2025	
Friday 3 rd October	FOSC 'Wine Night'
Wednesday 8 th October	Year 2/Year 3 City of Leeds Diving Club Session
Wednesday 8 th October	Rev Hannah meeting year 1 links to RE Unit
Monday 13 th October	Year 1 only Parents Consultation Event 1 3.30 – 6.30pm

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October 2025 (continued)

Tuesday 14 th October	Nursery, Reception, Year 2 – Year 6 Parent Consultation Event 1 3.30 – 6.30pm
Wednesday 15 th October	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Wednesday 15 th October	1.45pm Harvest Service @St . Chad's Church
Thursday 16 th October	3.30pm – 5.30pm Parent Consultations Nursery to Year 6 (Event 2)
Friday 17 th October	pm Year 3 Stone Age Den Building (provisional)
Wednesday 22 nd October	9.15 – 10.45am New Reception 2026 entry and Nursery Open Event
Thursday 23 rd October	Whole School Individual Photos
Thursday 23rd October (pm)	Year 5 Trip to St. Chad's Church (link to RE topic)
Friday 24 th October	3.15pm school closes for half term

November 2025

Monday 3 rd November	Training Day – School Closed
Tuesday 4 th November	8.45am school opens for nursery to year 6
Saturday 8th November	Cardinal Heenan Cross Country Event – First Race 10am
Friday 14 th November	FOSC Family Beetle Drive [may need to change - TBC]
Friday 14 th November	Children In Need (To Be Confirmed)
Wednesday 19 th November	1.30 -2.45pm New Reception 2026 entry and Nursery Open Event
Friday 21 st November	Year2 @Great Fire of London immersive experience (Temple Newsam)
Saturday 29th November	Woodhouse Grove Cross Country Event – First Race 9.30am

December 2025

Thursday 4 th December	10am Nursery Nativity
Tuesday 9 th December	Last Year 4 Swimming of the term
Wednesday 10 th December	am Year 6 Trip to RERF
Thursday 11 th December	National Christmas Jumper Day (provisional)
Thursday 11 th December	10am Reception and KS1 Nativity
Thursday 11 th December	2.15pm Reception and KS1 Nativity
Friday 12 th December	FOSC Winter Warmer
Tuesday 16 th December	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Tuesday 16 th December	No Year 4 Swimming
Tuesday 16 th December	Christmas Elf Run (Simon on The Streets)
Wednesday 17 th December	9.30am KS2 Carol Concert/Christmas Celebration
Wednesday 17 th December	2.30pm KS2 Carol Concert/Christmas Celebration
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Dinner Day

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Thursday 18 th December	1.45pm Christmas Service at St. Chad's Church
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December 2026 (continued)

Friday 19 th December	No Family Worship
Friday 19 th December	FOSC Christmas Celebration (in school) including Santas Grotto
Friday 19 th December	3.15pm School closes for Christmas Holidays

SPRING TERM

January 2026

Monday 5 th January	8.45am School Re-Opens Nursery to Year 6
Monday 5 th January	Leeds United Healthy Schools working with year 1 and year 4
Tuesday 6 th January	1.30 -2.45pm New Reception 2026 and Nursery Open Event
Tuesday 6 th January	No Year 4 Swimming
w/c Monday 12 th January	Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 1
Monday 12 th January	Leeds United Healthy Schools working with year 1 and year 4
Tuesday 13 th January	Year 4 Swimming restarts
Wednesday 14 th January	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Saturday 17th January	Prince Henry's Cross Country Event – First Race 10am
Monday 19 th January	Leeds United Healthy Schools working with year 1 and year 4
w/c 19 th January	Year 1 – Year 6 Assessment Week 2
Monday 26 th January	Leeds United Healthy Schools working with year 1 and year 4
Friday 30 th January	Training Day (school closed to pupils)

February 2026

Monday 2 nd February	Leeds United Healthy Schools working with year 1 and year 4
Friday 6 th February	FOSC Curry and Quiz Night
Thursday 12 th February	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Friday 13 th February	3.15pm School Closes for Half Term
Wednesday 18 th February	Lent Starts
Monday 23 rd February	8.45m School Re-Opens
w/c 23 rd February	Whole school Lent Appeal begins
Saturday 28th February	Middleton Park Cross Country Event – First Race 10am

March 2026

Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Thursday 12 th March	Year 1 Trip to Skelton Grange
Friday 13 th March	FOSC Family Bingo Event
Tuesday 17 th March	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 19 th March	Year 1 – Year 6 Reports Issued

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Thursday 26 th March	3.30 – 6.30pm Parents Evening Nursery to Year 6 (Event 1)
Wednesday 1 st April	3.30 – 5.30pm Parents Evening Nursery to Year 6 (Event 2)
SUMMER TERM	
April 2026	
Wednesday 1 st April	Easter Service @St. Chad's Church
Thursday 2 nd April	3.15pm School Closes for Easter Holidays
Monday 20 th April	8.45am School Opens
Wednesday 22 nd April	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
May 2026	
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
Monday 11 th May	KS2 SATS Tests
Tuesday 12 th May	KS2 SATS Tests
Wednesday 13 th May	KS2 SATS Test
Thursday 14 th May	KS2 SATS Tests
Friday 15 th May	Year 6 Pyjama Day (or similar!)
Friday 15 th May	FOSC Spring Fling
Thursday 21 st May	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Friday 22 nd May	3.15pm School Closes for Half Term Holidays
June 2026	
Monday 1 st June	8.45am School Opens
Monday 1 st June	Multiplication Times Tables Check opens
Monday 8 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check opens
w/c 8 th June	Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 1
w/c 15 th June	Year 1 – Year 6 Assessment Week 2
Tuesday 16 th June	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Wednesday 17 th June	Year 6 Trip to Saltburn
Thursday 18 th June	Whole School Culture Day (provisional pending Abbey Grange)
Friday 19 th June	Whole School Culture Day (provisional pending Abbey Grange)
Saturday 20 th June	FOSC Summer Fair (provisional) ~ option 1
Monday 22 nd June	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Tuesday 23 rd June	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Wednesday 24 th June	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential

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June 2025 (continued)

Thursday 25 th June	Nursery Sports Day (afternoon)	
Friday 26 th June	Year 1 Trip to Armley Mills (provisional)	
Saturday 27 th June	FOSC Summer Fair (provisional) ~ option 2	

July 2026

Wednesday 1 st July	Lawnswood Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September)
Wednesday 1 st July	pm Whole School transition afternoon
Thursday 2 nd July	Nursery Sports Day (afternoon ~ reserve date)
Thursday 2 nd July	am Whole School transition morning
Thursday 2 nd July	Abbey Grange Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September)

July 2026

Friday 3 rd July	Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon)
Wednesday 8 th July	5pm Year 6 Production
Thursday 9 th July	10 – 2pm Year 6 Meanwood Park
Monday 13 th July	School Reports issued
Friday 10 th July	Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon ~ reserve date)
Tuesday 14 th July	Nursery End of Year Celebration (pm)
Wednesday 15 th July	Reception End of Year Celebration (pm)
Wednesday 15 th July	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 16 th July	1.45pm Leavers Service @St. Chad's Church
Friday 17 th July	2.15pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 17 th July	School closes
Monday 20 th July	Training Day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday 21 st July	Training Day (school closed to pupils)