

Central News

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 Balby Central Primary Academy

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News

What a busy first week back. Children in the choir have visited Sheffield Arena this week and performed in the Young Voices concert. Year 1 have cooked and made some delicious looking vegetable skewers. Year 3 have been on a local walk. Year 4 have investigated the water cycle in Science. Year 4 parents attended the Kingswood Residential evening. All children have had their book launch for their new English topics. Students training to be teachers have visited school today and spent time in classrooms. Finally, pupils from other schools within the Rose Learning Trust, have attended school today to rehearse as a Trust Choir with Rainbow Connections. Wow what a week!

Doncaster Rovers

What a fantastic afternoon we had on Tuesday! A huge thank you to Doncaster Rovers and Club Doncaster for giving 10 lucky children at Balby Central, FREE VIP Match Day and Stadium Tour tickets as part of the Rover's Reward Scheme. Well done for your brilliant behaviour and attendance!



Year 3 Local Walk

This week Year 3 have been comparing human and physical features and have looked at both urban and rural settings. They walked to Hexthorpe Park and also Doncaster Railway Station to enhance their learning beyond the classroom.

The children were brilliant on the walk. Well done to all!



Choir

We attended Young Voices on Monday evening and the children sang their hearts out. They were so animated and really enjoyed the atmosphere of the evening.

It has been a pleasure to see them develop with the songs. We now look forward to the festivals we have planned.



Attendance

Whole School Attendance - 94.6%
Children with 100% - 372



Class Attendance this Week:

Rainbow	91.7%
Sapphire	99.2%
Emerald	90%
White	93%
Purple	93.8%
Crimson	92.3%
Scarlet	99.2%
Violet	92.3%
Ruby	97.4%
Blue	90.8%
Indigo	96.6%
Green	94.8%
Yellow	98%
Orange	96.3%
Red	94%

We have seen a significant increase in children attending medical appointments during school time. We understand that some appointments are unavoidable during the school day however, below are list of appointments that you can make after school, on weekends and during the school holidays. If you are unable to make the appointments out of school time, please make the appointment as close to the end of the school day as possible.

- Doctor appointments (non-urgent)
- Dentist appointments (non-urgent)
- Optician appointments (except for Ophthalmology)
- Collecting prescription glasses
- Routine health appointments



Safeguarding

This week, the safeguarding link is all about healthy eating. There are lots of ideas for new recipes that you can try; why not get the children to help with some of the cooking!



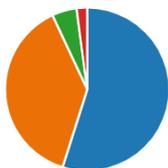
Things you need to know

Please see important upcoming events below - should you require further information, please see your child's class teacher .

<p>Whole School</p> <p>Thursday - Choir after school resumes</p>	<p>Early Years</p> <p>PE Day - Friday</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <p>PE Day - Monday</p>	<p>Year 2</p> <p>PE Day - Tuesday</p>
<p>Year 3</p> <p>PE Day - Monday</p>	<p>Year 4</p> <p>PE Day - Friday</p>	<p>Year 5</p> <p>PE Day - Thursday</p>	<p>Year 6</p> <p>PE Day - Tuesday</p> <p>Wednesday - Crucial Crew visit</p>

Parent Voice

We said: I know how to support my child with reading at home.



You said:

55% Strongly agree
38% Agree
5% Disagree
2% Strongly disagree

Please speak to your child's class teacher should you require further guidance on supporting your children with their learning.

World Book Day, Thursday 7th March 2024

Do not forget to dress as a word - can anyone guess your word?

Assemblies this Week

Picture News

Coca-Cola has announced it will temporarily be removing labels from Sprite and Sprite Zero bottles to trial 'label-less' packaging in some areas of the UK.

Ask your child: How important is packaging?

Safeguarding

This week our safeguarding assembly focused on keeping safe online. This is the start of a series of assemblies about this topic. As children access more and more technology and are exposed to more risks it is important that we do what we can to keep them safe.

Talk to your child: what they have learned?

Mental Health Ambassadors

Pupil mental health and wellbeing is very important to us all at Balby Central Primary Academy. The children in school completed an application form in order to apply for the position, and one child was chosen from each class. The children were chosen based on the skills they had shown and their desire to help others. They really care about our school and the other children. We meet every Monday to discuss mental health and wellbeing in school.

The children also have a special role in the playground at lunchtimes to listen to others and play games with their peers.



Sleep Clinic



Sleep Tight Workshop

Does your child suffer sleep problems?
Do you want to access support to help to improve bedtime?

Join us on our Sleep Tight workshop

To book or for more information, please contact

Our training is delivered by practitioners trained by
The Sleep Charity

Our workshops include:

- Understanding sleep cycles
- Common sleep issues and strategies to manage these
- Establishing appropriate routines
- Keeping sleep diaries and interpreting the data
- Environments

What your children are learning this term...

	Reading and Writing	Maths	Other
Year 1	Dinosaurs Love Underpants The Curious Case of the Missing Mammoth Adventure stories	+ and - / Fractions / Measures	<p>Science - Everyday materials Science - Animals including humans Geography - Capital Cities of the UK Seas / Continents History - Lives of significant people - Mary Anning / David Attenborough</p> <p>PE - Dance and Gymnastics RE - Christianity PSHE - Healthy me</p>
Year 2	Fantastic Mr Fox Major Glad, Major Dizzy Diary entry	+ and - / Money / Faces, Shapes and Patterns	<p>Science - Everyday materials / Living things and habitats / Materials Geography - Compare UK to Nairobi / Fieldwork and map skills History - Significant events, people and places in our locality</p> <p>PE - Dance and Gymnastics RE - Islam and Christianity PSHE - Healthy Me</p>
Year 3	The Wild Way Home The Silence Seeker Story writing	Time / Fractions	<p>Science - Forces and magnets / Light Geography - UK study History - Stone Age to Iron Age / Rome and the impact on Britain</p> <p>PE - Dance and Gymnastics RE - Christianity PSHE - Healthy Me</p>
Year 4	Wolf Wilder Amazing Islands Koji's Island Adventure stories	Decimals / Area and Perimeter	<p>Science - Animals, including humans Geography - Water cycle History - Ancient Civilisation - Egypt PE - Dance and Basketball RE - Buddhism / Christianity PSHE - Changing me</p>
Year 5	Who Let the Gods Out? The Darkest Dark Formal Biography	Fractions and Percentages / Transformations	<p>Science - Earth in Space Geography - 4 and 6 figure references History - Comparison - Maya and Anglo Saxon</p> <p>PE - Dance and Basketball RE - Christianity PSHE - Changing me</p>
Year 6	Tell Tale Heart The Highwayman The Day War Came Persuasive letter	Decimals / Measures / Percentages / Statistics / Proportion	<p>Science - Animals, including humans Geography - Physical processes History - Windrush generation</p> <p>PE - Dance and Basketball RE - Christianity PSHE - Changing me</p>