

**MR SINGH'S WEEKLY MESSAGE**

Dear parents and guardians,

I am so pleased to announce some amazing results with you all this week. The children and staff have worked exceptionally well and I also believe that you as parents have played a crucial role in your child's success.

**Y1 PHONICS:**

The Phonics Screening Check contains 40 words divided into two sections of 20 words. Both sections contain a mixture of real words and pseudo-words.

Through phonics, children are taught how to:

- recognise the sounds that each individual letter makes
- identify the sounds that different combinations of letters make, such as 'sh' or 'oo'
- blend these sounds together from left to right to make a word

Children can then use this knowledge to 'decode' new words that they hear or see. This is the first important step in learning to read.

The Phonics Screening Check is designed to give teachers information on how your child is progressing in phonics.

It will help to identify whether your child needs additional support at this stage so that they do not fall behind in this vital early reading skill.

I am pleased to share with you our results this academic year. This year, as an Academy, we had 93% of our children passing the Phonics Screening Check.

I would like to say a huge well done to all involved!

**KS2 (Y6) SATs**

This year's results have been exceptional, reflecting the hard work, dedication, and perseverance of our pupils, teachers, and support staff. The KS2 assessments are a crucial milestone in our children's educational journey, and I am delighted to highlight the following key accomplishments:

Across all three areas, our children have surpassed national averages, with an impressive percentage achieving the expected standard and a notable number reaching greater depth.

Please see below our KS2 assessment data:

Reading: 90% with 37% Greater Depth Standard

Writing: 78% with 15% Greater Depth Standard

Maths: 83% with 36% Greater Depth Standard

Combined: 70% with 8% Greater Depth Standard

**COMPARISON TO LAST YEAR:**

**PHONICS:**

LAST YEAR	THIS YEAR
62%	93%

**SATs:**

LAST YEAR	THIS YEAR
Reading: 66% (10% GDS)	Reading: 90% (37% GDS)
Writing: 32% (0% GDS)	Writing: 78% (15% GDS)
Maths: 64% (12% GDS)	Maths: 83% (36% GDS)
Combined: 31% (0% GDS)	Combined: 70% (8% GDS)

Key messages:

**TRANSITION DAY (REC-Y5)**

Your child's transition day will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July. This will be the chance for the children to meet their new teacher.

**Y6 PROM & LEAVERS ASSEMBLY**

Please note that the Prom will take place Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July between 17:00-19:00. Leavers assembly will take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 09:00.

**SUMMER FAYRE**

The summer Fayre will take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – more information to follow.

**END OF YEAR REPORTS**

Your child's end of year academic report will be issued to you on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

**STAFF UPDATE**

We are sad to announce the following teachers will be leaving us at the end of the academic year:

- Mrs F Brant
- Mrs H Patel
- Mrs K Hashmi
- Mrs C Royston
- Miss I Wondergem

I would like to thank all the teachers above for their hard work, dedication and commitment during my time here and wish them the best in their future endeavours.

I am pleased to announce the following teachers will be joining the Academy in September:

- Miss Wiggins
- Miss Bridgstock
- Miss Rowe

We are also pleased to announce Miss Fostinis will be staying at Heckmondwike Academy and joining the Senior Leadership Team as Upper School Leader.

We also have Miss Addison joining us and the Senior Leadership Team/Lower School Leader in January.

Have a great weekend.  
Mr J Singh

**ATTENDANCE**

RI: 97.32%	RN: 98.33
1B: 92.08%	4LB: 95.00%
1Q: 89.81%	4W: 90.83%
2H: 95.98%	5G: 98.33%
2R: 92.86%	5S: 89.58%
3A: 96.88%	6F: 85.42%
3D: 94.23%	6L: 94.83%