

MR SINGH'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and patience for our dismissal process for Year 3 and 4. Ensuring the safety and smooth departure of all our children is a top priority, and your cooperation and understanding have been invaluable in making this process as efficient as possible. Thank you for working with us to ensure everything runs smoothly.

I would also like to express my heartfelt gratitude for your incredible support during our fundraising efforts for Children in Need. It has been truly inspiring to see our school community come together for such a worthy cause. Your donations will make a real difference, and we are so proud of the funds we have raised to support children in need.

Thank you for all you do to support our school. Your partnership means so much to us, and we couldn't achieve these wonderful things without you.

Best wishes

Mr Singh

PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR KEY MESSAGES

ACADEMY ADVISORY BOARD

As part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring the very best for our Children, I am pleased to announce that we are very close to the formation of a new Academy Advisory Board (AAB).

The AAB will play a vital role in the governance of our school, ensuring that we continue to maintain high standards and meet the needs of our children and community. This board will consist of individuals with a strong connection to our school, including parent representatives, members of our staff team, and local community members, working together to support and challenge us to deliver the best outcomes for our students.

I hope to share the names of our new delegates/governance team next week.

ATTENDANCE

Heckmondwike Academy has a statutory duty to keep your child safe which includes knowing where they are if they are not in school.

We appreciate that children are sometimes genuinely ill. If your child is going to be absent due to illness, parents/carers are requested to telephone on the first day of absence before 8.35am. If you leave a message on the answerphone service before 8:00am please give your child's name, class and reason for absence and then each morning, for the duration of the absence.

If you do not contact the office, school will ring you followed by every contact number we hold for your child until we speak to somebody.

If your child is absent for two consecutive days and we are unable to contact anybody, we will visit the family home to ensure that your child/ children are safe and well. If we are still unable to speak to a named contact, then we may call 101 to seek police assistance in locating the family

If there is no improvement in your child's attendance, then the following actions may be taken:

- **Home visit from a member of the safeguarding team or Head of Academy**
- **Education Penalty Notice warning letter**
- **Invite to Attendance Support Plan meeting**
- **Voice of the Child**
- **Education Penalty Notice**
- **Court proceedings**

SUITABLE ATTIRE FOR WINTER

With winter fast approaching, I'd like to remind everyone of the importance of wearing warm, waterproof coats each day. We encourage outdoor play and learning whenever possible, even in colder weather, so please ensure your child is equipped to stay comfortable outdoors, especially for outdoor PE lessons.

Please ensure your child has suitable attire, such as a warm sweatshirt, tracksuit bottoms, and perhaps even a hat and gloves for the colder days. Staying warm allows them to fully enjoy these outdoor activities and keeps them healthy and focused

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

09.12.24 – Christmas Themed pop-up shop for children to buy themed gifts and presents starts, lasting until the end of the term.

10.12.2024: EYFS & Y1 Christmas concert, dinners and Christmas jumper day

11.12.2024: Y2 & Y3 Christmas concert, dinners and Christmas jumper day

12.12.2024: Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas concert, dinners and Christmas jumper day

18.12.2024: Christmas Fayre

KEY DATES

18.11.2024 & 19.11.2024: Y6 Locala height and weight checks

10.12.2024: EYFS & Y1 Christmas dinners and Christmas jumper day

11.12.2024: Y2 & Y3 Christmas dinners and Christmas jumper day

12.12.2024: Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas dinners and Christmas jumper day

18.12.2024: Christmas Fayre

19.12.2024: Last day of Autumn term

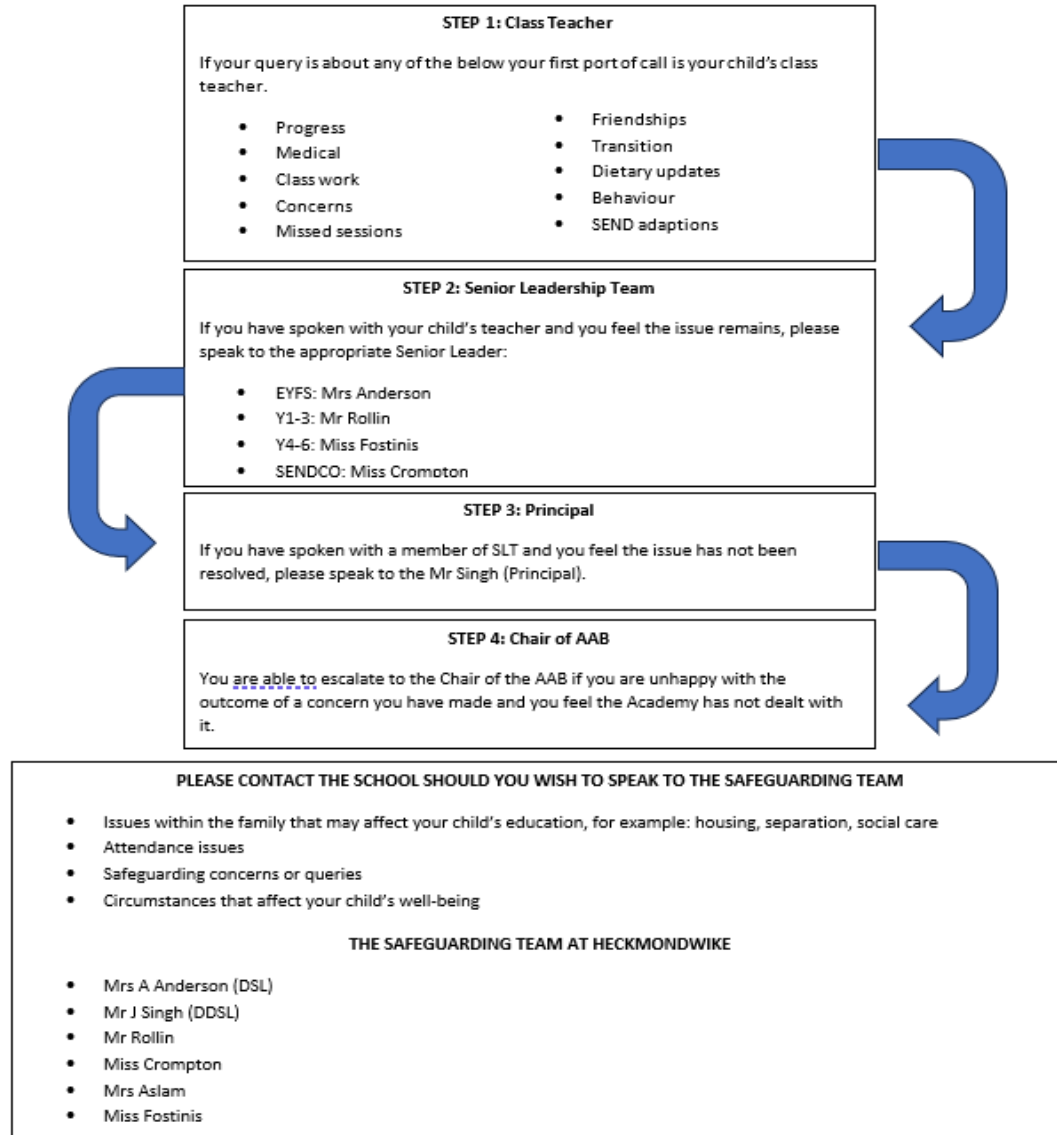
20.12.2024: School closed (INSET day)

06.01.2025 School re-opens Spring 1

COMMUNICATION POLICY

Parent-School Communication

Should you have any queries or would like to speak to a member of staff regarding anything – please follow the guidance below – this will ensure your queries are dealt with in a timely and effective manner.



PLEASE KINDLY NOTE THE OFFICE WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO ASSIST WITH:

- Reporting absence (this should be done at the earliest point possible)
- Change of personal details (such as address, phone numbers, passwords)
- Queries regarding online payment systems
- Reprint of any hard copies of correspondence
- Special leave form

ATTENDANCE

RA: 94.47%	RW: 92.09%
1A: 89.72%	4R: 98.29%
1Q: 99.23%	4D: 88.16%
2D: 89.07%	5G: 91.91%
2LC: 95.47%	5L: 98.15%
3A: 94.09%	6F: 94.83%
3B: 97.04%	6S: 96.31%

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

1A: Khadijah Saeed	4R: Subhaan Hussain
1Q: Aaborto Khan	4D: Anaya Zahoor
2D: Iman Tufail	5G: Aisha Atif
2LC: Mella Ibrahim	5L: Amaya Hussain
3A: Wadaan Khan	6F: Sam Alterk
3B: Ibraheem Asif	6S: Aahil Majeed

