

Spring Term - Diary Dates 2025

These are the important diary dates for the spring term. For the events with the *, separate letters will be sent out on Parent Mail with further details.

Other dates for trips and visitors may be booked during the term and you will be informed of these via ParentMail.

Please see the key overleaf for further details of some events.

6 th January	School closed for Staff Training
7 th January	School reopens for spring term
7 th January	Playground Leader Training for Year 5 children
7 th -10 th January	Bikeability Cycle Training for Year 6 – parents need to sign up via the link sent on Parentmail if you would like your child to take part
9 th January	Box Office opens to book Shakespeare tickets (relevant for Y4 parents)
10 th January	Swimming festival at Spennymoor Leisure Centre – selected children in KS2*
13 th January	Team Up Wellbeing Programme with Go Well starts with Year 3 and Year 6 and continues for 5 weeks
14 th January	Playground Leader Training for Year 5 children
15 th January	Virtual Author workshop for Year 5 and Year 6 with Elle McNicholl
17 th January	Swimming Gala – selected KS2 children*
21 st January	Year 2 Learning Together – Maths 2:15-3:15pm*
21 st January	Year 3 trip to Hindu Temple and Hancock Museum*
21 st January	Reception online author workshop with Ian Eagleton*
21 st January	Year 1 and 2 online author workshop with Ian Eagleton*
22 nd January	Years 3-6 online author workshop with Ian Eagleton*
23 rd January	Reception Move with Max Festival*
24 th January	Year 4 Learning Together – Reading 2:15-3:15pm*
27 th January	Virtual Author workshop with MG Leonard for Year 4
29 th January	In school Shakespeare workshop for Year 4
29 th January	SEND Consultations - appointments available to be booked on Arbor with our SENDCo, Amy Addison*
30 th January	Y5/6 Multiskills Event – selected children in Y5/6*
30 th January	Year 3 Learning Together – Maths 2:15-3:15pm*
31 st January	Dress Down Day – suggested donation £1
3 rd February	Blaze Pods Day
4 th February	Training for Playground Skipping Leaders
4 th February	Year 2 trip to Buddhist Temple and Seven Stories*
5 th February	Year 6 Learning Together – SATs and Learning by Questions 2:15-3:15pm*
7 th February	Reception NSPCC Number Day
7 th February	Reception Learning Together – Maths 2:15pm-3:15pm*
7 th February	Basketball Cup and Shield Competition – selected children in KS2*
10 th February	Year 3 Tea at 2 visit*
11 th February	Safer Internet Day – children will be taking part in activities linked to online safety
12 th February	Year 5 Learning Together – Maths 2:15-3:15pm*
20 th February	Year 1 Learning Together – Phonics 2:15-3:15pm*
21 st February	Dress Down Day – suggested donation £1
21 st February	School closes for half term
3 rd March	School re opens for second half term
3 rd March	Fitness Coach starts with Year 1 and Year 2

5 th March	Year 4 Shakespeare Performance at the Gala*
5 th March	SEND Consultations - appointments available to be booked on Arbor with our SENDCo, Amy Addison*
6 th March	World Book Day – children are invited to come to school in story themed clothing, bedtime story clothes, or dress down and will take part in a day of activities linked with books and reading*
7 th March	Hoopstars Day
10 th -14 th March	British Science Week
10 th March	Parents' Evening 3:40-6pm*
11 th March	Tag Rugby Cup and Shield – selected children in Y5/6*
12 th March	Parents' Evening 3:40-6pm*
12 th March	Virtual Author workshop with Alex Falase-Koya for Year 3 and 4
18 th March	Year 5 trip to Hancock Museum*
19 th March	Parent Communication Meeting with Miss Gray 2:15pm*
20 th March	Spring Ball 4:30-6pm*
28 th March	Dress Down Day – suggested donation £1
1 st April	Year 3 in school Nissan workshop
1 st April	In school Skipping day
9 th April	Year 1 trip to Preston Park Museum*
10 th April	Rewards Morning – Bouncy castle in school – comfy clothes please
11 th April	Year 6 trip to Nissan*
11 th April	School closes for Easter break
28 th April	School re opens for summer term

Key:

Learning Together – This term, the majority of our Learning Together sessions will be in Maths, but Year 1's will be focused on Phonics in preparation for Phonics check in June, Year 4's will be on Reading and Year 6's will be on SATs with a focus on a new resource of Learning by Questions which children can access at home to support their learning in school. All sessions will be set up in the same way: a short workshop for parents with the class teacher and then an opportunity to work alongside your child.

Dress Down Day – On the last Friday of every month, we aim to hold a 'Dress Down day;' some months this can't happen due to other events in school. Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform and bring £1. All money goes to the Friends of the school and helps pay for trips, meaning we don't need to add these costs onto parents.

Sporting Events – Some Sporting events are for whole classes; others are for selected pupils. This is specified by Go Well who run the Sporting festivals and competitions. Where events are competitive, trials will be held in school; where the events are focused on participation, staff will either select children based around specific criteria, ask for volunteers, or select children at random.

School Visits – For 2024/25 school trips will continue to be subsidised through the school budget and a contribution from the Friends of the School.

SEND Parent Consultations – Once a half term, there is an opportunity for any parent to book an appointment to meet with our SENDCo, Amy Addison. Your child does not need to already be on the SEND register for you to make an appointment. Amy is also in school every Wednesday and will also be attending Parents' Evenings.

Reward Morning – Each week children earn Bouncy Castle minutes for completing their homework. We then have a bouncy Castle and ice cream van in school once a term for children to enjoy. Children need to wear practical comfy clothes rather than general dress down outfits.