



NEWSLETTER

Edition—Autumn 1, 2023

Key Dates:

Friday 17th November—Children in Need day

Friday 1st December—Bauble Decoration Competition entries into school

Thursday 7th December—Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 22nd December—INSET day, school closed to pupils

Attendance Celebrations!

This half term, we have told you how strongly we feel about your children accessing every single part of their education in order to give them opportunities and set them up for the best life possible! It starts with you, as parents and carers, getting them here every single day so thank you for your amazing efforts this half term! Your children have made brilliant progress because of this and are much more settled in their routines, all while being rewarded for their efforts. The Halloween disco was thoroughly enjoyed by all and because of the amazing feedback, of course there will be a Christmas event too!

Harvest Contributions

A huge thank you to all who contributed donations for Harvest. Our donations were delivered to the Salvation Army and they were extremely grateful that we could help to support our community.



Sports Celebrations

Totty Cup

Congratulations are in order for our Upper Key Stage 2 school boys' football team who competed in the prestigious Totty Cup—they performed incredibly well and have qualified for the next round! Girls, it's your turn next!



Tag Rugby

Our fabulous Tag Rugby team of Year 5 and 6 boys and girls attended their tournament at Astrea Dearne this half term. They played excellently and were driven and motivated but most of all, had fun! Congratulations on a well-deserved third place!

The next football tournament will take place on Monday 6th November.

Local Hero Visit

We kicked off the start of the year with a visit from one of our local heroes—Shaun Dooley. He was blown away by the academy and our children; he talked about how the academy feels such a happy place to be and how amazing our pupils are—of course, we already know this! Thanks Shaun!



Staff Shoutout

We want to give our Staff Shoutout this half term to our fantastic new teachers, Mr. Wilkinson and Mrs. Gainer.



You have both had such a positive impact on school and we are lucky to have you. Thank you for all of your hard work!

After School Clubs

After school clubs will be running again—the letter to sign up will be distributed in the first week back in November so keep an eye out!

Miss. Freeman's choir will continue to run on a Monday after school.

Toy Swap Shop

Our sustainability councillors, along with staff, will be running a Toy Swap Shop this half term. It runs much like our Uniform Swap Shop—if you have any **used but good quality toys** that you feel your children have outgrown or do not use anymore, we welcome you to donate your items to the front of school and take something that will be of more use to you and your family. Any left over toys will be donated to Barnardo's Children's Charity!

Bauble Decoration Competition

We enjoyed our Pumpkin Carving Competition so much that we are holding a Bauble Decorating Competition! Baubles entered will decorate our school Christmas tree and be returned at the end of term!

Designated Safeguarding Lead:



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Local Support Services to Goldthorpe:

Dearne Family Centre (support groups) Monday – Friday 8:30 – 4:30

Salvation Army (food bank) Monday 10:00 – 12:00 Monday 1:00 – 2:00

ICON (Baby crying support) – search – “ICON baby crying support”

YoungMinds (Mental Health Support for children) – search “youngminds”

Mind (Mental Health Support for adults) – search “mind”

Goldthorpe Community Shop (affordable food) Monday – Saturday 9:00 – 5:00

