

26TH JANUARY 2024

Unfortunately, we had ANOTHER near miss outside school this week—again due to car drivers who continue to drive right up to the school gate and then try to turn around, mounting the pavements as they do so. On this occasion, it was only the pedestrians striking the car that alerted the driver to their presence and averted what would have been a collision between car and pedestrians. **Please continue to report these incidents to us.** If you can provide car registrations and details, we will report these incidents on to the police.

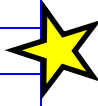


We are trying to finalise plans for our next Coffee Morning on Wednesday 7th February (see Planner) to try and incorporate an activity for parents to work with their children on a task with a theme around anxiety as part of Children's Mental Health Week—keep your eye out for more information next week!

Class Attendances—Week beginning 22nd January 2024

Our attendance for this week is **95.9%**. Thank you for your support with promoting good attendance in school, it is much appreciated. **It can sometimes be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school**, so the NHS have produced [this helpful webpage](#) as guidance for parents and carers.

Class 1	93.3%
Class 2	95.7%
Class 3	95.3%
Class 4	97.8%
Class 5	98%
Class 6	97.8%



Class 7	95.3%
Class 8	94.3%
Class 9	97.3%
Class 10	97.8%
Class 11	97.3%
Class 12	90.3%

Please remember that I am still *unable* to authorise any term-time leave of absence requests this year and, in the majority of cases, these will incur fines. These requests should be made in advance and not retrospectively please.

Kind regards,
Mrs J Hill

Film Night—Wonka!

Showing on our BIG screen in the hall, with our NEW laser projector!

Thursday 1st February 2024

3:30-5:30pm

(Children **MUST** be collected from school after the film)

Tickets are available from the hall before school each morning for £2.



School Dinners

Next week we will be on Week 1 from our Autumn/Winter Dinner Menu. Meals cost £2.40 per day and should be paid for in advance please.

[View Menu](#)

2023-24 DATES

Thursday 1st February	3:30-5:30pm	Film Night
Monday 5th— Friday 9th February	All Week	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 6th February	All Day	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7th February	9.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning
Monday 12th February	TBC	Year 6 Fire Safety Talks—Derbyshire Fire Service
Friday 16th February	3:30pm	End of Spring 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
HALF TERM		
Monday 26th February	8:55am	Spring 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Tuesday 27th February	8:30am-4:30pm	Year 6 Lea Green Trip—See letters
Monday 4th March— Friday 8th March	All Week	Book Week
Wednesday 6th March	9.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning
Thursday 7th March	All Day	World Book Day
Friday 15th March	All Day	Comic Relief—Red Nose Day
Thursday 28th March	3:30pm	End of Spring 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR EASTER
EASTER HOLIDAYS		
Monday 15th April	8:55am	Summer 1 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Monday 6th May	All Day	May Day Bank Holiday—School Closed
Monday 13th—Thursday 16th May	Mornings	Year 6 SATs Week
Friday 24th May	3:30pm	End of Summer 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
HALF TERM		
Monday 3rd June	All Day	INSET 5
Tuesday 4th June	8:55am	Summer 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Tuesday 23rd July	3:30pm	End of Summer 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR SUMMER

Breakfast


This week we have provided breakfast to **73** children. Children can come to the hall when doors open to collect a breakfast bar if they wish. *Please remind your children that this provision is for those that have not had access to a breakfast at home.* Thank you.

breakfast
fuel for learning

Children's Mental Health Week

This week, staff spent some time planning activities to deliver during Children's Mental Health Week, running from Monday 5th-Friday 9th February, with the theme of My Voice Matters. We will start the week with another retelling of the book, *The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse* by Charlie Macksey, which we have used in a couple of assemblies since COVID. This time, we will focus on the wellbeing of the different characters in the story. If you are not familiar with the story, you can still find the animated version on [BBC iPlayer](https://www.bbc.com/iplayer) and it is definitely worth a watch!





'I had never climbed before. I was scared of heights. But I climbed and rang the bell all by myself and felt really proud of myself'

Poonam



Brownies

1st Findern Brownies




Findern Village Hall, Monday evenings



Girls have nonstop fun, learning and adventure

for ages 7 to 10

At Brownies, we welcome all girls to explore their creative side, get out into the great outdoors and start to learn to look after themselves, others and the world we live in.



Contact us: firstfindernbrownies@hotmail.com

Register to join: girlguiding.org.uk/joinus