



A message from Mrs Bell, Headteacher

Another busy and enjoyable week at Reedley. The children have continued to work hard, show enthusiasm in their learning and make us proud with their positive attitudes.

This week marks the end of our swimming programme. Whilst it will be lovely to have our playground fully back to normal, it has been fantastic to see the progress, confidence and resilience that so many children have developed through their swimming lessons.

I would also like to thank everyone who attended our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Thursday. It was wonderful to see so many families supporting this worthy cause and helping us raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Sarah Bell
Headteacher

Rock Kidz

Only **31 days** to go until we get our next visit from Rock Kidz on Monday 2nd November!

Have you got your rock star or pop star outfit planned?



School Attendance and Punctuality

Whole school attendance this week is 95.34%

We are delighted to see our whole-school attendance improve this week from **93.4% to 95.34%**.

A huge well done to **Y3CE Elephants**, who top the attendance table with **98.47%**. This class have improved 8% on last week.

Congratulations also to **Y2JC Cranes**, **Y5NM Meerkats** and **Y4LN Narwhals**, all of whom achieved attendance above 97%. Thank you to families for your continued support in helping children attend school every day and make the most of their learning opportunities

Y3CE Elephants	98.47
Y2JC Cranes	97.41
Y5NM Meerkat	97.20
Y4LN Narwhals	97.04
Y5CE Ermines	96.77
RAH Ducklings	96.69
Y1LC Canaries	96.63
Y6CH Hoopoes	96.18
Y1IL Lions	96.03
Y2US Swans	94.81
Y6VH Huskies	94.62
Y3EP Penguins	92.34
Y4AW Wolves	91.67
RCK Chicks	89.55

Punctuality

Five of our classes had the children in on time with no children arrive late this week!

Rec Ducklings
Y2 Cranes
Y2 Swans
Y3 Elephants
Y6 Huskies

Across school we had 20 children arrive late this week.

Thank you to the families who ensure that their child is in school by 8.50am.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Thursday. It was lovely to see so many families come together to support a wonderful cause. We are grateful for your generosity and for helping us raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. I think eating cake is one of the best ways to raise money for charity!



Respecting Our Local Residents

Thank you to all families who support us by travelling to and from school safely and considerately.

We would like to remind everyone to be courteous and respectful of our neighbours when dropping off and collecting children. Please do not block driveways, access points or residential entrances, even if you are only stopping for a short time.

We have also received concerns regarding parking on **Ainsdale Avenue**. Please remember that this is a **private road** and should not be used for school parking.

As a school, we value our place within the local community and want to maintain positive relationships with our neighbours. We do not want school traffic to become a burden for local residents. By parking responsibly, respecting private property and showing consideration for others, we can help ensure that Reedley Primary School continues to be a positive part of the community.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in helping to keep everyone safe.



Mental Health Day



On **Friday 9th October**, Reedley Primary School will be taking part in **Hello Yellow**, a national fundraising day organised by **YoungMinds**, the UK's leading charity for children's and young people's mental health.

At Reedley, we place great importance on supporting children's emotional wellbeing and helping them develop the confidence to talk about their feelings, seek support when needed and look after their mental health. Hello Yellow is a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness of this important cause and show our support for young people across the country.

Children are invited to wear **something yellow** to school on the day. This could be a yellow t-shirt, jumper, socks, hair accessory or any other item of yellow clothing. (If you haven't got anything yellow, please use clothes and accessories that are brightly coloured).

- YoungMinds Parents Helpline: **0808 802 5544** (9.30am to 4.00pm)
- [YoungMinds Parents Support Services](#)

We look forward to seeing a splash of yellow around school as we come together to support this important cause and raise awareness of children's mental health. 💛

Phonics Workshops

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Phase 2 Phonics Parent Workshop this week. It was lovely to see so many families there! We looked at how children learn to pronounce sounds, blend them together to read, and shared some of the strategies and resources we use in school to support early reading.

Save the Date for the Spring Workshops

- **Tuesday 12th January, 9.00am –10.00am**

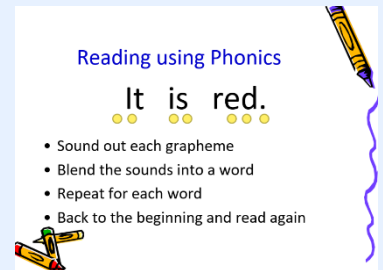
Phase 5 Phonics & Y1 Phonics Screening Check Workshop

Aimed particularly at Y1 parents.

- **Monday 18th January, 9.00am –10.00am**

Phase 3 Phonics Parent Workshop

Aimed particularly at Reception parents and Y1 parents whose children are currently working within Phase 3.



Visit from Arlo the Dog

Arlo the dog visited Y2 this week. The children learnt about how to take care of a dog. They learnt about what a dog eats, what exercise it needs and how to keep it clean.

This links with their current story Pirates Next Door where one of the characters has a dog. The children will write a report now to explain to the character how to care for his dog.



Important Dates for Your Diary

Friday 9 th October	Wear yellow (or brightly coloured) clothes/accessories to school and bring a donation for YoungMinds.
Monday 12 th and Tuesday 13 th October	All classes to take part in a skipping workshop.
Wednesday 14 th October	Y5 and Y6 to have a talk from 'Smoke Free Lancashire', to talk about their health promotion campaign about the dangers of smoking and vaping.
Parent Meetings	Parent appointments will be available on Tuesday 20th October and Wednesday 21st October Parents will be invited to book a meeting with teachers to discuss your child's progress. Bookings will open on Tuesday 6th October at 6pm on School Spider.
HALF TERM	School will be closed from Monday 26th to Friday 30th October
Monday 2 nd November	Rock Kidz are in school all day and all children will get to dress as a rock or pop star! 
Monday 23 rd November	School photographs
CHRISTMAS CLOSURE	School will be closed from Monday 21 December 2026 and will reopen to children on Tuesday 5 January 2027 .

Thank you for your support,
Mrs Sarah Bell,
Headteacher



Attendance Matters

A great education starts with great attendance. Every lesson counts and being in school every day helps children make the most of every opportunity.

- ◆ Please notify the school office before 8.50am if your child is absent.
- ◆ Tell us the specific reason for the absence so that we can meet our safeguarding responsibilities.
- ◆ You can phone, message on School Spider or notify us on Studybugs.
- ◆ Arrive on time every day. Even being a few minutes late can add up to lost learning over the year.
- ◆ Holidays during term time are not normally authorised and can have a significant impact on children's progress.

Thank you for your support in helping our children to attend, achieve and thrive.

If You're Concerned About Something...

We want to work in partnership with you.

If you are ever worried, unhappy or need clarification about a situation, please follow this order of contact via the school office:

- **Class Teacher** – your first point of contact
- **Phase Leader** – if further support is needed:
 - Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 – **Miss Hume**
 - Years 3 & 4 – **Mrs Watson**
 - Years 5 & 6 – **Mrs Hornby**

Other staff members are available to help; however, your child's class teacher and Phase Leader will know them best and should usually be your first point of contact.

- **Assistant Headteacher** – Miss Hume
- **Deputy Headteacher** – Mrs Gorrell
- **Headteacher** – Mrs Bell

We're here to help and will always do our best to resolve any concerns quickly and fairly.