Reedley Primary School Newsletter

Friday 16th October 2026

A Message from Mrs Bell, Headteacher

What another busy and enjoyable week it has been at Reedley. Our children have taken part in a range of exciting enrichment activities, from learning new skipping techniques to exploring electricity through LEGO workshops and taking part in health promotion sessions. It is always wonderful to see our pupils embracing new opportunities with enthusiasm and curiosity.

As we approach the final week before half term, I would like to thank parents and carers for their continued support and partnership with the school. Your encouragement helps us provide a wide range of experiences that enrich children's learning beyond the classroom.

Mrs Sarah Bell
Headteacher

BREAK THE RULES DAY – Friday 23rd October

Break the Rules Day is a fundraising event organised by our School Council to help raise money towards a community defibrillator.
Children can choose up to five rules to break from the approved list only, at a cost of £1 per rule. Please send all money into school on the day of the event, and remember that **only the rules listed on the poster may be broken**. The children are bringing home this checklist today and must return the checklist next Friday with their money.

Skipping Workshops

On Monday and Tuesday, all classes took part in our skipping workshops. Children learned a variety of skipping techniques and had the opportunity to develop their coordination, fitness and resilience.

The children were keen to tell me how much they had enjoyed the sessions and many were excited to demonstrate the new skills they had learned. It was fantastic to see so much enthusiasm and determination from pupils across the school.

Rock Kidz

Only **17 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?

Year 4 LEGO Workshops

On Thursday, children in Year 4 took part in an engaging LEGO workshop focusing on electricity and circuits.

The hands-on activities allowed pupils to investigate how electrical circuits work whilst developing their problem-solving skills and understanding of scientific concepts. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and showed excellent teamwork throughout the session.

Smoke Free Lancashire

On Wednesday, our Year 6 pupils took part in a session delivered by Smoke Free Lancashire.

The session formed part of our wider programme of health education and helped children develop their understanding of healthy lifestyle choices. Pupils were encouraged to think about the impact that smoking and vaping can have on health and wellbeing, enabling them to make informed decisions in the future.

Germ Busting

Children in Years 1 and 2 enjoyed a "Germ Busting" health education session on Thursday.

The workshop taught children about the importance of good hygiene, including effective handwashing and other healthy habits that help prevent the spread of germs. Learning how to keep themselves and others healthy is an important part of helping children develop positive lifelong habits.

Parent Meetings

A reminder that bookings for Parent Meetings will close at **12 noon on Sunday 18th October**.

Meetings will take place on:

- Tuesday 20th October
- Wednesday 21st October

These meetings provide an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate achievements and talk about next steps in learning.

If you experience any difficulties booking an appointment, please contact the school office.

Let's Go Sing Choir

Our school choir continues to prepare for the Let's Go Sing concert at King George's Hall.

Choir practice will now take place **every Monday lunchtime**. We look forward to seeing the children's confidence and musical skills continue to develop over the coming months.

Football Trading Cards Club

Miss Price-Hunt will be running our Football Trading Cards Club every **Wednesday playtime**.

Children should continue to follow the club rules regarding trading and only bring cards into school for use during the official club sessions.

We are pleased to see so many children enjoying this opportunity whilst learning about fairness, responsibility and making sensible decisions.

Important Dates for Your Diary

Date	Event
Tuesday 20th October	Parent Meetings
Wednesday 21st October	Parent Meetings
Monday 26th - Friday 30th October	Half-Term Holiday
Monday 2nd November	Rock Kidz Day - Dress as a Rock or Pop Star
Monday 23rd November	School Photographs

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.
- Arrive on time every day.
- Holidays during term time are not normally authorised and can have a significant impact on children's progress.

Our whole-school attendance this week was 93.8**%** which is a drop from previous weeks.
Well done to **RAH Ducklings**, who were our attendance champions with an excellent **98.65%**, closely followed by **Y6VH Huskies** on **97.85%**.
Thank you to all pupils and families for supporting good attendance and punctuality. Every day really does count!

RAH Ducklings	98.65
Y6VH Huskies	97.85
Y4LN Narwhals	97.74
RCK Chicks	96.67
Y2US Swans	96.30
Y2JC Cranes	95.19
Y5CE Ermines	93.91
Y3EP Penguins	93.87
Y1LC Canaries	93.12
Y3CE Elephants	93.10
Y6CH Hoopoes	92.71
Y1IL Lions	91.67
Y5NM Meerkat	91.67
Y4AW Wolves	91.27

The following four classes had no late arrivals this week:
Y4 Narwhals
Y4 Wolves
Y5 Meerkats
Y6 Hoopoes

Well done to these four classes.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school between 8.40am and 8.50am daily.
Thank you

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- 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.