



YEW TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Annual Survey Outcomes...

This week, I have spent some time collating and reflecting on the feedback we received in our annual surveys. Every time we do an exercise like this, I am always truly humbled by the overwhelmingly positive feedback we have and, as I have said before, I never take for granted your trust in us to care for and educate your child.

Recently, I asked you to share with others how wonderful our school is (to help boost) admissions so it is great that 95% of those who responded would recommend our school to another parent. There were so many positive comments that it was hard to select some to share but these included, *'Fabulous school! The support and education provided is second to none.'*

Although only 4 of those who responded would not recommend our school to others, we are keen to understand why. At Yew Tree, we recognise that we cannot please all of the people all of the time. However, we would encourage anyone to get in touch if they have any issues or concerns that we might be able to help resolve.

As well as feedback from parents/carers, we have collected the views of staff, governors and pupils so that we have a complete picture of everyone's thoughts and feelings. This data will be used, in the coming months, to help us consider school improvement priorities and actions so thank you, once again, for taking the time to complete the surveys.

Mr Jamie Barry



Our attendance **TARGET** is **96%**.

"Be in to win...!"

Wow, we have seen some fantastic attendance this half term.



We now only have **5 DAYS** to go until we break up for Easter.

Let's end the spring term positively with everyone in each day next week!

MUSIC

Beyond the music lessons in our curriculum, we are proud to offer a range of instrumental tuition at Yew Tree. This includes every child in Y3 learning the recorder and children, from across the school, involved in peripatetic instrumental lessons for violins, clarinet, guitar, keyboard, brass etc.

We are grateful for our partnerships with SIPS Music and Musical Toad as the expertise of these visiting staff is key to the progress we see.

This term we have enjoyed a range of instrumental performances, with some more scheduled for next week, which has really showcased the impact of the effort, perseverance and dedication shown by our children. We are also exceptionally proud of any of our children who have also recently performed in SIPS Music Spring Concert.

Please get in touch with the office if your child is interested in learning a musical instrument.

HAF

Don't forget, if you have been sent HAF vouchers for the Easter break, that you can book now by clicking [HERE](#).

HAF vouchers provide FREE childcare (which includes food) activities throughout the school holidays. We really hope you make use of this fantastic provision this Easter.

SCHOOL MEAL COSTS

If you pay for school meals, please remember that there is a price increase coming up. This means that, from **1st APRIL**, meal prices increase to **£3.15**.

If you think your child is eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) then don't forget to register [HERE](#) (if you aren't already) to save you paying for meals unnecessarily.

EASTER

We are looking forward to our easter celebration day on **MONDAY** (23.03.26).

All children are invited to bring a decorated egg (please ensure it is empty) or Easter bonnet on that day to share with their class. If they would like to enter their design into the PTA competition, they should also bring 50p with them too. Look out on Twitter for photos of the creations!

READING MISSIONS

As part of the National Year of Reading, we are running monthly 'reading missions' which you can read about [HERE](#).

The mission for April is to spend some time enjoying reading outside. It would be great to see pictures of your child reading during the Easter break so do share these with us on Twitter.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

As we break up at the end of next week, we shall be holding our next non-uniform day on:

FRIDAY 27th MARCH

Children are welcome to wear non-uniform that day in exchange for a £1 donation which goes towards our School Fund.



HORRIBLE HISTORIES

Next week, our children will be enjoying our 'Horrible Histories' curriculum focus week.

Our children will start the week with a special assembly, led by visiting theatre company, to help them become explorers as they set off on their journey to explore some of the most interesting periods of history they can find.

We are really looking forward to seeing all of the wonderful work children will produce so, as always, keep an eye on Twitter to see this celebrated.

CLUBS

We have now made all club offers for the summer term. However, please remember that your child's space at this club is not secure until you have made the payment required.

We regret that, where payments are not made in time, we reserve the right to revoke the child's place and offer it to the next person on the waiting list.

We do have a small number of places left in some clubs, inc. Y4 – Y6 dance, Y5 & Y6 boxing, Y4 – Y6 art and Y3 – Y6 musical theatre, so get in touch if your child is interested in attending these.

DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
20.03.26	Red Nose Day	27.03.26	Frank Chapman 26/27 payment - DUE
20.03.26	Chit Chat (with School Nurse) – 9.00am	27.03.26	Break up for EASTER
20.03.26	Clarinet performance – 9.00am	13.04.26	Start of SUMMER 1
20.03.26	Deadline for Y1 camping EOI	13.04.26	Y6 leavers' hoodies – SHOP OPEN
23.03.26	FOCUS WEEK: Horrible Histories	14.04.26	Y1 trip to Black Country Museum
23.03.26	Violin performance – 2.30pm	15.04.26	Parent/carer RHE meeting – 2.30pm
24.03.26	Guitar performance – 9.00am	16.04.26	YR places allocated for 26/27
26.03.26	Keyboard performance – 9.00am	16.04.26	Y6 Reflexions session – exam stress
26.03.26	YR & Y1 dental checks – ALL DAY	17.04.26	Plas Gwynant 26/27 - 2 nd payment due
27.03.26	Non uniform day - £1 per child	24.04.26	Chit Chat session – 9.00am
27.03.26	Gold Book assemblies – AM	27.04.26	Hatching ducklings in school