



# SHADSWORTH INFANT SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### 6th February 2026

### MRS VAREY'S MESSAGE

#### WEEKLY MESSAGE

We are looking for parents and carers who would like to join our PTFA. We currently have three members who do a wonderful job supporting Mrs Young in organising fun events for the children throughout the year. You don't need to commit to attending every event—even offering a few hours here and there makes a huge difference. This week, our PTFA have been busy making the sweetie cones that will be on sale next week. If you'd like to get involved, please speak to Mrs Young or contact the school office. We'd love to have you on board!

A huge congratulations to our sports team who represented the school at this week's Dodgeball competition. They worked brilliantly together and finished second overall. Well done to Parker, Evie, Aleksander, Braxton, Oscar, Ayaan S, Jordan, and Alex. We're very proud of you all!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**The School Council will be selling Valentines Sweet Cones for £1**

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Class Murphy Visit to Manchester Runway Consent letter & £20 to your child's class teacher by 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 26 thank you

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Class Donaldson RY Visit to Manchester Runway - Consent letter & £20 to your child's class teacher by 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 26 thank you

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Year 1J BRIGHT** visit Vue Cinema Blackburn consent letter and payment of £7 to your child's class teacher no later than Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

3.15pm School Closes for Half-Term

### Reminders

Miss Woodruff will be leading our baby and toddler group at 9.00am every Tuesday - This will give families time to drop off at the Juniors and return, you are welcome to wait after drop off at the Infants (8.45am)

# ATTENDANCE



## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

“Attendance is not optional”

There is an expectation that children are in school every day

### Overall School Attendance Target

**96%**

Actual School Attendance 02/02/26–06/02/26

**90%**

Class	Attendance %	Lates
Murphy	94	4
Donaldson	91	9
Bright	85	19
Jeffers	93	6
Percival	87	6
Bridge	94	1
Rainbow	86	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>52</b>

# CELEBRATE



**This week we said  
"Well Done" to .....**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Good Work</b>	<b>Good Behaviour</b>
<b>Murphy</b>	<b>Kiki</b>	<b>Abdul Rehman</b>
<b>Donaldson</b>	<b>Aurora</b>	<b>Zaydhan</b>
<b>Bright</b>	<b>Rayhaana</b>	<b>Fatima</b>
<b>Jeffers</b>	<b>Logan Ch</b>	<b>Hunter</b>
<b>Percival</b>	<b>Rome</b>	<b>Rosetta</b>
<b>Bridge</b>	<b>Lukas</b>	<b>Lukas</b>
<b>Rainbow</b>	<b>Emily</b>	<b>Able</b>

**Lunchtime  
Award**

**Hazel-Rose C**



**Headteacher  
Award**

**Soban K**



**Kindness  
Cup**

**Rome T**



# OUR LEARNING



## NURSERY

Nursery have enjoyed National Storytelling Week! We have been very busy sharing lots of stories and re-telling them in our play. We used different instruments to add sounds to the Animal Boogie story. We also enjoyed visiting the school library and some of our grown ups came and shared a story with us! We have also enjoyed taking part in 'Pen Disco', practising how to hold a pen correctly and draw shapes along to music.



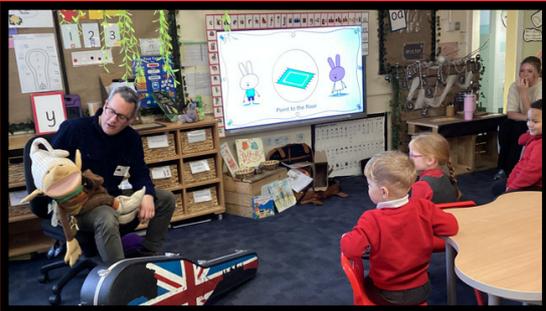
## MURPHY

Murphy class have been super mathematicians this week. As they explore capacity and mass practically around the classroom. Ordering the containers in their predicted capacities.. The children have also been moving on with their vehicle designs in DT. Following their creative ideas from their plan, the vehicles are starting to take shape with colourful bodies. We have finished our literacy text - ask the children what was waiting for the 3 friends at the end of the story.

# OUR LEARNING



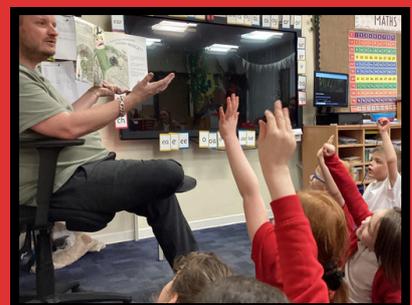
## DONALDSON



This week, Donaldson class have enjoyed learning all about mass in maths. We have all been human balancing scales, identifying what is heavier and lighter and used scales to find out the mass of objects within the classroom. In literacy, we have finally read the whole book, Lets all Creep though Crocodile Creek. To celebrate this we all wrote some excellent phrases describing a tiger.... (we think that next in the story, the animals might get eaten by a tiger). In music, children got to the famous Mr Onion and his very mischievous friend, Ratty.

## BRIGHT

Bright class have really enjoyed National Storytelling week. We started the week listening to a professional author livestream on zoom read and perform from her own book. The children have looked at a story called 'The Duck Who Didn't Like Water' and compared it to 'Lost and Found which we did a lot of work on earlier in the yuear. The children have then made their own story and learned how to read it aloud.



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## JEFFERS

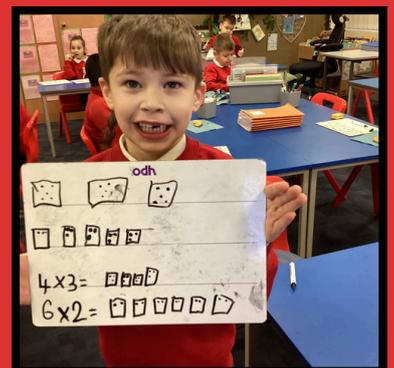


Jeffers Class have been celebrating National Storytelling Week since Monday. We began the week with a special story time...it was lovely to have some of our families with us! On Tuesday we joined a live event, a children's author showed us how to use sound and music to express feeling in stories.

We went on to read 'Kitchen Disco' which we loved! We enjoyed joining in with the repeated verses!

## PERCIVAL

**We have had a busy week in Percival class. We started the week planning our Dragon Machine story and finding out about multiplication. We used cubes to show groups, wrote repeated addition and a multiplication sentence. We ended the week with a fantastic trip to Chill Factore where we sledged, tobogganed and went on the doughnuts down the slopes!**



# OUR LEARNING



## BRIDGE CENTRE

The children worked hard with Badger this week, making good progress at clearing space for our new forest school area, we already have a half full skip and the wood chippings are on their way to firm up the ground. Mr Brown showed us how to create music using different apps and programs on the computer and they all had a turn playing their original pieces to the class. Our artist is nearly finished with his masterpiece in the corridor – the space has been transformed! Once finished he is then going to continue with the shed in our outdoor space.



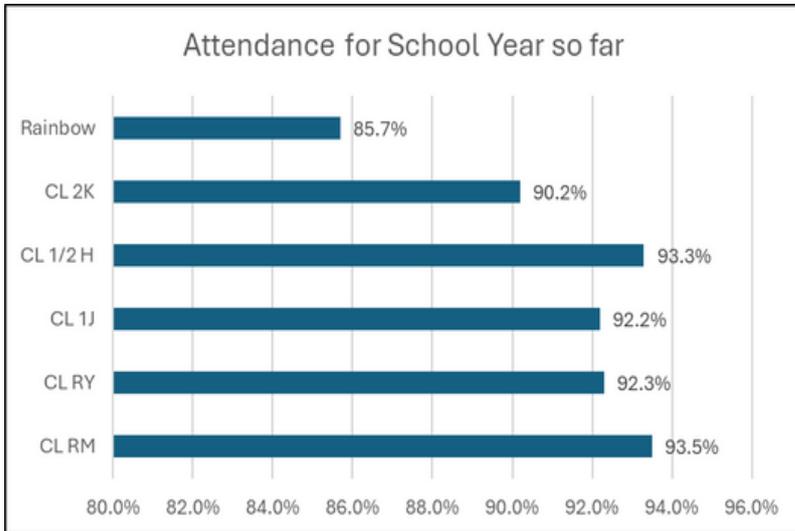
## RAINBOW ROOM

This week in Rainbow Room we have been looking at our senses and have been reading a story about it. We know there are 5 senses- sight, hearing, touch, taste and smell. We have been looking at sight this week and have been talking about the different things we can see using our eyes. In Maths, we have been carrying on with shapes and we are getting better at identifying them. We can't wait to carry out some fun valentines' activities next week!





## Attendance Bulletin - January 2026

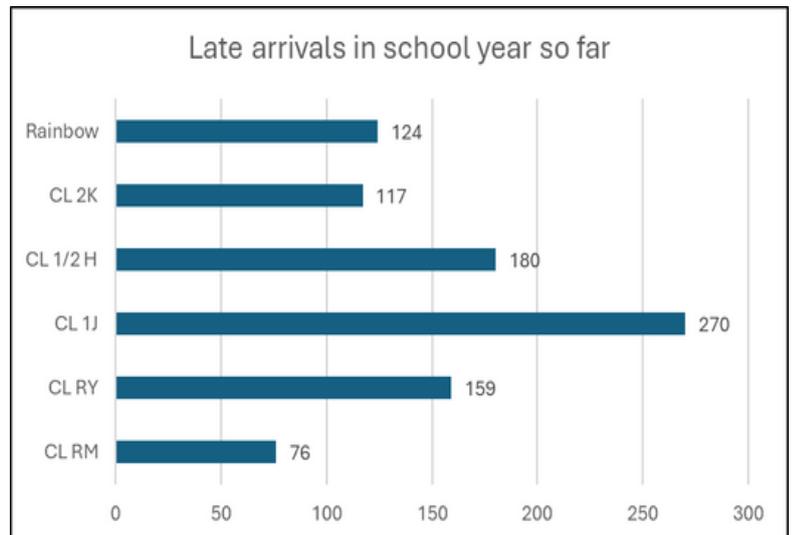


### **As a parent / carer you have a responsibility to:**

- Ensure your child attends school every day that school is open.
- Ensure your child is ready to enter school when the doors open.
- Ensure that your child is collected promptly at the end of the school day, or notify us if you are running late or if someone unknown to us will be collecting your child.
- Request permission in advance for any planned absences.
- Provide a satisfactory explanation for any absences.
- Ensure we have up to date contact details so we can contact you in an emergency.

### **Lateness**

- Please remember to be on time for school every day - school starts at 8.45am.
- Being late for school has a serious impact upon your child's education and that of the other children in their class—imagine arriving 15 minutes into a film!
- So far this school year there have been **926** late arrivals at school, this amounts to 19660 minutes of lost learning (**328 hours or 55 school days**)
- Breakfast club is open from 8am daily.



### **What to do if your child is ill**

- If your child is ill and unable to attend school, please contact us by 8.45 am on Tel. 01254 698002.
- Please don't keep your child off school for minor ailments. If you are unsure, send them in and we will send them home if they are unfit - we often find children perk up when they see their friends!!

### **Attendance rewards**

- Weekly prizes are given to the class with the best attendance and punctuality.
  - Each term certificates are awarded for good attendance in that term;
    - 100% = Gold, 99.9—98% = Silver and 97.9—95% = Bronze.
- We also do a raffle for the families of children with 100% each term.

# What's happening in the news this week?



Let's have a look at this week's poster!

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## Individual Liberty

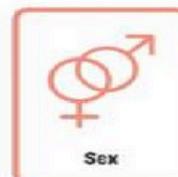
We can choose which toys we want to play with. Sometimes we choose to play with toys that are just like us.

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## Protected Characteristics



The new Barbie doll aims to represent people with autism. Everyone should feel included and represented. It's important that no one is left out or treated unfairly because of a disability.



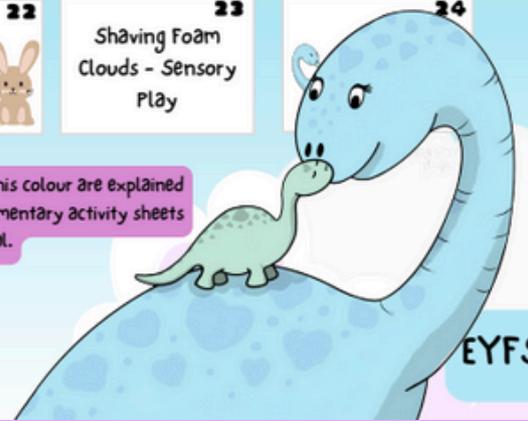
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# Dreamasaurus February

WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
4 Make your own dream corner	5 Create a 'Wellbeing Box'	6 Dreamasaurus's Relaxation Day	7 Affirmation Yoga	1 Read 'Dream like Dreamasaurus'	2 Circle Time: Our Dreams	3 Create a self portrait of how you're feeling today
11 Sing 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star'	12 Create some Lavender infused playdough	13 Paint to Mindful Music	14 Valentines Day Crafts	8 Create bird seed and feed the birds	9 Children's Mental Health Week	10 Create a dream display
18 Calming Colouring	19 Dress up as your future career	20 Dreamy Jar	21 Blow Lavender infused bubbles	15 Learn about different professions	16 Practice Pancake Flippin'!	17 Make dreamy pancakes
25 Can you complete - Puzzles?	26 Make your own Dream Catcher	27 Dreamy Playdough	28 Create your own Dinosaur Collage	22 'Hop little bunnies' Dance	23 Shaving Foam Clouds - Sensory Play	24 Activities in this colour are explained in the supplementary activity sheets on your portal.

Oliiki

These activities originate from the Oliiki app.



EYFS



PTFA at Shadsworth Infant School  
would like to invite the children to a

# VALENTINE'S DISCO

on  
**12<sup>TH</sup>**  
THURSDAY 3.45PM - 5.00PM

## FEBRUARY 2026

**The cost of the tickets are  
£3.50 per child.**

This will include a  
hotdog & drink.

Rainbow Children will have their own sensory  
disco and activities during school hours.