

REEDLEY HALLOWS NURSERY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER MAY 2026

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Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the last half-term in school, I just want to share my thanks to you all for your support this year. I can't believe how quickly the time has gone, and that in just another couple of months many of our children will be leaving us to go to primary school. That's a big step for our children, but also a big step for parents getting ready to hand over your child to a new set of faces in a new place - please let me reassure you that we have excellent links with our local primary schools and know that your children will be in safe hands. Next half-term, there will be lots of things happening in school to support you and your child with this transition - reception teachers from local schools will be visiting us to speak to staff and meet your children, there will be open days arranged for you by the schools for you to go and visit, often with your child, and we will be having lots of discussions with the children about their new schools. If you feel there is anything else that you need, please come and let me know.

For children staying with us next year and changing classrooms, there will also be things happening in school to prepare them for this - nursery staff will visit them in their current classroom to get to know them, and children will visit their new classrooms so that they become a familiar and safe place. Again, if there's any more that we can do or you have any questions, please let me know.

In the meantime, have a lovely half-term. For those of you celebrating Eid next week, I hope you have a wonderful time with your families and friends. Enjoy yourselves and we'll see you back in school on Wednesday 3rd June.

Mrs Gordon

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 22nd May - school closes at the end of the day for half-term

Wednesday 3rd June - school re-opens (please note that school is closed on the 1st and 2nd June for INSET)

3rd and 4th June - Balance bikes workshops in school for Ladybird and Butterfly classes

Friday 5th June - Family Eid party (more information on the next page)

8th and 11th June - Balance bikes workshops in school for Twinkle Tots and Sunshine Room children

11th and 12th June - Photographer in school to take individual photos

Week beginning 15th June - Fathers' Day activities (more details to follow)

Tuesday 16th June - Time for a Cuppa event in aid of Dementia UK (more information on the next page)

Week beginning 22nd June - Ladybird and Butterfly class phonics workshops for parents

Thursday 2nd July - Twinkle Tots sports day (weather permitting)

Friday 3rd July - Sunshine Room sports day (weather permitting)

Tuesday 7th July - Butterfly and Ladybird class sports day (weather permitting)

Friday 10th July - Reports out to children who are going to primary school

Thursday 16th July - School leavers' celebration events - parents are invited

Friday 17th July - Party day for children. School closes for the summer holidays

FAMILY EID PARTY

One of the highlights of our school year is the Eid party that we hold for families. This year, this will be taking place on Friday 5th July at 10:30am and 2:30pm. We invite you all to join us on that day for lots of fun and sharing of food. If you are able to, please bring along some food to share with others. As we have children in school with nut allergies, please avoid anything with nuts. Children who don't have an adult from home with them will be provided with party food by school. We look forward to sharing this special event with you!



TIME FOR A CUPPA - CHARITY TEA PARTY IN AID OF DEMENTIA UK



Tuesday 9th June at 9am and 1pm
Donations of cakes welcome

UNIFORM

Just a reminder that children are expected to wear school uniform every day. This consists of a Reedley Hallows green jumper or cardigan with our logo, a plain coloured polo shirt with a collar, dark grey or black school trousers, joggers, shorts, leggings or skirt (not jeans or anything with pictures on please), or a green checked school dress. This still applies as we go into summer and the weather gets warmer. If you are struggling to buy school uniform items, please let us know - we have a selection of used uniform items which we can offer to you for a small donation.

NURSERY SCHOOL PLACES 2026/2027

Our places are quickly filling up for September. If you have a child who is over 2 years old by the 31st August and you are wanting a place for them here but haven't applied yet, please fill in an application form and return it to the office as soon as possible.

If your child is already on our waiting list and you haven't heard anything from us yet, please come and check with the office.



OUR LEARNING THIS HALF-TERM.....

THE GINGERBREAD MAN



Children in Ladybird and Butterfly classes have been learning the story of The Gingerbread Man and doing lots of fun activities linked to the story. They are really good at telling the story themselves, ask them to show you!

They have made gingerbread men to see what they taste like, and visited the cash and carry to buy their own ingredients, investigated what would happen to a Gingerbread Man who fell into the water, made gingerbread playdough and even designed and decorated their own Gingerbread Men.

SPECIAL VISITORS

All classrooms have had chicks in this half term. The children loved watching them, feeding them and handling them. They learnt all about how to look after them, which colours are girls and which are boys, and the names for their body parts such as beak, wings and claws.



VISITS IN AND AROUND SCHOOL.....

Ladybird and Butterfly classes have been out to the cash and carry in small groups to buy ingredients for baking. Whilst there, they also learnt about what shopkeepers do, different ways to pay for things, explored the fruit and vegetables that can be bought there, and found out about the local area. If your child hasn't had a turn yet, don't worry, their turn will come next half term!



Sunshine Room children have been practising getting their coats on and have been for a walk around campus. They found some lovely flowers!



Twinkle Tots children have been out for little walks looking for signs of Spring around the campus.



Well done to all of the children who looked after their sunflowers at home and helped them to grow. We have loved seeing your photographs - here are just a few. I wonder what else you could grow?!

SUNFLOWERS

