

Wildridings Weekly

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Dear Parents and Carers,

For pupils across our school this week there has been such a broad range of opportunities for them to get involved in ranging from Science Week, Skip2bfit, a Mother's Day tea party, sporting events and trips to St Michael's Church, all of which really does reflect the incredibly broad curriculum we are able to offer.

Pupils have been exploring age appropriate investigative questions related to Science as Mr Bradshaw has encouraged every class across the school to embrace National Science Week. Whilst Science is taught across the whole academic year, this week has enabled a clear focus on this core subject and enabled pupils to investigate questions in a scientific way. Fingerprint analysis has taken place in Year 5 and when I visited Year 1 this week the children were eager to tell me that 'scientists test things to make sure they work,' and their enthusiasm for the subject was clear as one child declared to me whilst throwing their arms open, 'Mr Ellis, scientists are just so cool, I want to be one when I grow up!'

The fingerprint analysis might have come in handy for Year 5 earlier this week as both classes visited St Michael's Church to explore the Easter Story in a slightly different way. Rev Morley describes the approach to the Easter Story as a 'Whodunnit' where children speak to the key people in the story and this unique approach really did engage the children whilst also leading to some fantastic discussions.

Being active was the focus of Thursday for Years 1-6 as all pupils took part in a Skip2bfit event organised by Mrs Miller. I know it something she has wanted to organise for a while, and whilst it might have been called 'Skip2bfit' the real focus of the session was to encourage healthy lifestyles and skipping is a great vehicle for this, and something most children can access. A big well done to everyone who took part and Mrs Miller for arranging such an engaging event.

This congratulations also needs to be shared with our netball team too as they managed to secure their first win of the season in an 11-2 home win against Harmans Water. The competitive edge was clearly evident as they get used to these weekly fixtures and I hope this has also rubbed off on those children who were at the Invictus event this morning and I will let you know how well they got on next week.

And finally, our youngest children invited their mum's in to Nursery today for a tea party. Preparing for their visit has given a real focus to the learning and the children have been really excited about it. So, a big thankyou to all the mum's who came in for the event and I hope a lovely 'Mothering Sunday' is enjoyed by all.

Mr B Ellis (Headteacher)

Diary Dates

March 2026

Friday 20th – Year 1 Bill Hill

Tuesday 24th – Supporting Behaviour Coffee Morning

Tuesday 24th – Year 3 to Beal Park

Thursday 26th – PTA Doughnut Sale

Friday 27th – Last Day of Term (School ends at normal time with collection between 3:10 – 3:20 pm)

Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April

EASTER HOLIDAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED

April 2026

Monday 13th – INSET DAY (School Closed)

Tuesday 14th – Pupils Return to School

Registration 8:45am

Weekly Celebration

Lunchtime Medal Winner: Elian L (Shakespeare)

Class	Medal Winner	Writer of the Week	Weekly Attendance*
<i>Pupils in Nursery are celebrated in a range of different ways.</i>			
Attenborough	Kachi	YR	91.5%
Darwin	Tommy	Albert	95.4%
Van Gogh	Oliver	Y1	94.3%
Matisse	Eris	Mark	99.3%
Nightingale	Arya	Y2	91.4%
Winston	Jaxx	Dominic	93.9%
Einstein	Maya	Y3	96.4%
Hawking	Esme	Cheuk	95.4%
MacArthur	Katie-May	Y4	95.9%
Charlton	Emily	Daisy	94.8%
Drake	Euan	Y5	96.8%
Fiennes	Bailey	Oscar	98.9%
Rowling	Suangel	Y6	90.3%
Shakespeare	Emmet	Skye	96.7%

The House Point results are:

Green – 683 Red – 786
Yellow – 681 Blue – 688

OFSTED Update

Over the past week a number of parents have asked me about when the OFSTED Report and outcomes will be shared with parents. Due to OFSTED's quality assurance process and the timelines associated with these I am yet to receive the report, but once I have received a copy it still has to be returned to them for final checking. Therefore, frustratingly the report is unlikely to be 'published' until after the Easter break, but as soon as I am able to share it I will do so.



Speak Out Stay Safe

Over the next few weeks our school will be taking in the NSPCC's **Speak Out Stay Safe** Programme. This is a programme designed for children aged 5-11 which aims to help them understand abuse in all it's forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.

This child firendly programme is aligned with the National Curriculum and consists of age appropriate virtual assemblies which are followed up by classroom based lessons and activities. In addition to this, Years 2, 5 & 6 will take part in year group specific workshops led by NSPCC volunteers, and all content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC Mascot – Buddy.

If you would like to know more about the Speak Out Stay Safe programme please [click here](#).



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Wildridings PTA 2026 challenge



2nd Feb – 27th Feb



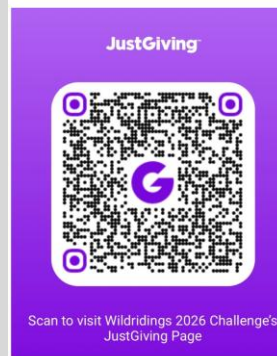
We are challenging
each family to raise

£20.26 (or more),

so we can fix our iconic school bus
and the surrounding outdoor area.

How you fundraise is up to you!!!!

Prizes to be won!



Scan the QR code to donate
& for more information

If you have any further questions,
or are interested in hearing more
about being involved with the PTA,
please email us at

pta@wildridingsprimary.co.uk



A big thankyou for all of your fundraising efforts over the past few months to support our 'PTA 20.26 Challenge' and so far £1137 has been raised to support the school to fix our iconic bus and surrounding outdoor area. Whether it has been scoring goals, baking cakes for a cake sale or a sponsored silence, every contribution is appreciated. The deadline for contributions will be extended until 14th April for as much money to be raised as possible so keep up the great work!

Wildridings Primary School Menu w/c 16th March 2026 - £2.74 per meal (Key Stage 2)

Monday 16	Tuesday 17	Wednesday 18	Thursday 19	Friday 20
<p>Mains</p> <p>Hand Stretched Margherita Pizza (V)</p> <p>Hand Stretched Pepper Pizza (V)</p> <p>VEGAN Margherita or Pepper Pizza (VG)</p> <p>Cheesy Bean Wrap (V)</p> <p>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (V) (GF)</p> <p>Baguette (choice)</p> <p>Accompaniments</p> <p>Oven Baked Potato Wedges (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Mixed Salad (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Garden Peas (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Homemade Bread (V)</p> <p>Salad Bar (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Desserts</p> <p>Chocolate Mousse (V) (GF)</p> <p>Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF)</p>	<p>Mains</p> <p>Spaghetti Bolognese</p> <p>Seasonal Vegetable Hot Pot (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)</p> <p>Jacket & Beef Bolognese (GF)</p> <p>Baguette (choice)</p> <p>Accompaniments</p> <p>Broccoli (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Sweetcorn (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Homemade Bread (V)</p> <p>Salad Bar (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Desserts</p> <p>Oaty Fruit Crunch (VG)</p> <p>Custard (V) (GF)</p> <p>Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF)</p>	<p>Mains</p> <p>Roast Chicken (GF)</p> <p>Butternut Squash Wellington (V)</p> <p>VEGAN Butternut Squash Wellington (VG)</p> <p>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)</p> <p>Baguette (choice)</p> <p>Accompaniments</p> <p>Mashed Potatoes (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Savoy Cabbage (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Garden Peas (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Gravy (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Homemade Bread (V)</p> <p>Salad Bar (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Desserts</p> <p>Jelly & Fruit (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF)</p>	<p>Mains</p> <p>Cheesy Topped Cumberland Pie</p> <p>Shepherdess Pie (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)</p> <p>Baguette (choice)</p> <p>Accompaniments</p> <p>Green Beans (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Carrots (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Homemade Bread (V)</p> <p>Salad Bar (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Desserts</p> <p>Yorkshire Parkin Biscuit (V)</p> <p>Custard (V) (GF)</p> <p>Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF)</p>	<p>Mains</p> <p>Fish Fingers</p> <p>Crispy Crumbed Vegetable Grill (VG)</p> <p>Baked Sweet Potato Omelette (V) (GF)</p> <p>Jacket Potato & Fillings (choice) (GF)</p> <p>Baguette (choice)</p> <p>Accompaniments</p> <p>Homemade Bread (V)</p> <p>Salad Bar (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Chips (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Garden Peas (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Baked Beans (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Tomato Ketchup (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Desserts</p> <p>Lemon Cookie (VG)</p> <p>Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Fruit Yoghurt (V) (GF)</p>