



# SKA HEADLINES

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Please have a quick read to keep up to date with everything going on at school. Don't forget to follow our social media pages and keep up to date with letters on our school website – the details are at the bottom of the page.

## Attendance Matters (Our school attendance target is 95%)

I have moved this to the very top of our newsletter as it is something to celebrate!

**This week – for the first time since I have worked at SKA I think – we have met our whole-school attendance target of 95%! A fantastic result! Thank you all for making sure your children are at school as much as possible.**

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Bretton 100%</b>	Fairburn 96%	Brodsworth 89%	Ackworth 94%
Nostell 94%	Waterton 94%	Wragby 93%	Wentbridge 96%

Well done to **Bretton Class** for winning this week's attendance award with a whopping **100%** attendance. What a great result! **As their reward, they are welcome to come to school in non-uniform on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022.**

## Coffee Morning Apologies

We are sorry that we had to cancel this week's coffee morning at the last minute. We have had a few staff off with Covid this week and realised that we did not have enough adults in school to cover all bases! We will look forward to seeing you all at next week's coffee morning on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you for your understanding.

## Waterton Young Chef

Take a look at the Waterton Young Chef competition poster that was shared with families again yesterday – bring in your entries on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October for tasting and judging!

## Year 6 Trip – Eden Camp

We have had lots of problems getting the Year 6 Trip up and running on MCAS – Mrs Neary and Mrs Studd have spent hours on the phone to try and get it sorted and there is a system wide 'bug'! Therefore, a new letter is going out today with a reply slip and we will accept cash for this trip.

Please see Mrs Studd if you need to set up a payment plan – at SKA, we will never stop a child going on a trip for financial reasons and know that times are tough for everyone at the moment with the cost of living crisis. Thank you for your patience with this.

## Parents' Evenings

We are delighted to invite you into school for our first parents' evening of the year.

Please book an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss how your child has settled in this half-term. There are 36 appointments available for each class so we hope you can book an appointment that is convenient. The app will only show available appointments for your child's class teacher.

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If you are unable to make either parents' evening days, your child's class teacher will be in touch to book an appointment at an alternative time. The Senior Leadership Team will also be available to speak to. The dates are as follows:

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022: 3:30pm – 6:30pm**      **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022: 3:30pm – 6:30pm**

### **Autumn Calendar Events Update**

Our calendar of events for the term has been updated. Please take a look on our school website for the updated calendar – please note, some dates have changed and there are some new events too. Make sure you take a look so you don't miss anything!

### **Safeguarding Message**

This week's safeguarding message is about **BeReal**. Please see the separate document uploaded to our website – you can also find these guides on our safeguarding page.

**School Calendar** There are a few dates to be aware of for next week.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 4 Swimming today – please remember swimming kits
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 sports club
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 4 sports club
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Coffee club – all welcome – 8:45am start Year 5 & 6 football club, Young Voices club, Games club, Year 3 sports club

Have a lovely weekend.

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**(Head of School)**

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