

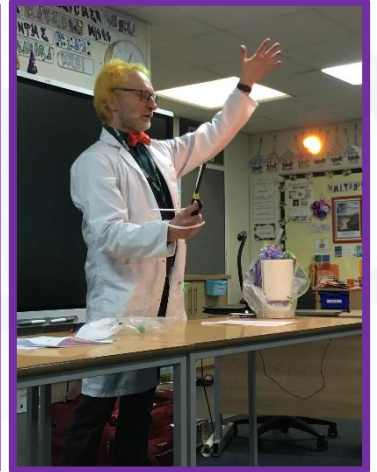


SKA HEADLINES

Friday 14th March 2025

SCIENCE DAY 2025

As part of British Science Week, SKA celebrated a whole school science day in school on Thursday. The theme of this year's British Science Week was 'Change and Adapt', and each year group based their learning around this theme, with Year 3 learning about climate change, Year 4 learning about our bodies, Year 5 learning about evolution and Year 6 learning about technology. We kicked off the day with a superb assembly from Science Boffin Stuart – the children were awestruck at some of the tricks and experiments! Each class then had an engaging session with him throughout the day. The science work the children have produced this week has also been superb – I have been proud of everyone's high standards.



PTA & Parent Governor Roles

I sent out a separate letter on Thursday about some important roles we have in school – you can access this letter [here](#). If you would like to speak to me about either role in more detail, please do not hesitate to catch me. I try and get out on the gate as much as possible in a morning but there are some days when I am either in meetings or not in school. A message to contact you can also be left via the office.

Year 6 End of Year Ideas

Thank you if you filled out the 'Have Your Say' form I sent out earlier this week – sadly, only three have responded however you have shared some excellent ideas, and also been really kind about what we already do. I of course cannot use all ideas, but we will look at what we can change or build into our end of year events calendar and share this with you next half term (Summer 1).

Year 6 Hoodies

We are currently in the process of looking at an alternative uniform provider to give you all more choice, and once this is decided we will be enquiring about leavers' hoodies. Thank you for your patience – I agree that it would be nice for the children to wear them for longer which came up in one of the above suggestions. We will keep you updated.

Medical Appointments

Your children's health is important and we understand that you may sometimes need to take them out of school for part of the day to attend a medical appointment. If this happens, please provide the office with proof of appointment (either a text, email or letter) so we are able to mark it as medical code. We have seen a spike in medical appointments recently, which are of course all likely to be all genuine, but have not had proof for all of them. Without proof, we may have to mark it as an unauthorised absence. Thanks in advance for your support with this.

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Attendance this week: **94%**

Leeds	96%
Knaresborough	96%
Richmond	95%
York	95%
Filey	93%
Ilkley	92%
Whitby	91%
Harrogate	90%
Knaresborough and Leeds may wear non-uniform on Thursday 20 th March, as Friday is non-uniform for RND	

Phoebe (Leeds)	For a huge improvement in her handwriting.
Billie (York)	For being brave and contributing to class discussions.
Ellie-Mae (Knaresborough)	For her 'never give up' attitude.
Joseph (Richmond)	For his fantastic reading assessment results.
Maddison (Filey)	For her excellent writing about Charles Darwin.
Olivia (Whitby)	For her amazing skills and support in gymnastics.
Scarlett J (Harrogate)	For an amazing attitude to her learning.
Tiana (Ilkley)	For a superb 'The Explorer' retell.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week!

Easter AT SKA!

GUESS THE NUMBER OF MINI EGGS IN THE JAR
TICKETS £1 FROM THE OFFICE (FROM 17TH MARCH)

SKA EXHIBITION
EASTER CRAFT MORNING
3RD APRIL '25

SCHOOL COUNCIL
EASTER BUN SALE
1ST & 2ND APRIL '25

PTA EASTER CHOCOLATE RAFFLE

SCHOOL COUNCIL
DECORATE AN EGG COMPETITION

MORE INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED CLOSER TO EACH EVENT

Value of the week: Be independent

Ruben (Year 6) Jackson (Year 6)
Kevin (Year 5) Ashleigh (Year 5)
Georgie (Year 4) Lucy (Year 4)
Ivy (Year 3) Joel (Year 3)

Lunchtime Awards

Annie (Yr3) and Peyton (Yr3)

DON'T MISS OUT ON IMPORTANT SKA INFORMATION!

Please ensure you have the MCAS App downloaded with notifications turned **ON**. Please follow our social media feeds for more information and reminders.
We send out paper letters but by request only.

Key Events Next Week

Red Nose Day – 21.03.25 (Friday)
Wear red for a £1 donation

