

TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK!

A WORD FROM MRS BERRY & MRS POOLE:

Remembrance Day

This week, Mrs Poole and Mrs Drury walked the School Councillors to the Cenotaph in Ossett for the Remembrance Service. Our children set an incredible example and we were very proud to pay our respects to the Ossett fallen with other members of the local community.

Children in Need

Today has marked the 45th anniversary of Children in Need. The children have been welcomed into school wearing non-uniform to raise vital funds to support children and families across the UK.

Anti-Bullying Week

This week was Anti-Bullying Week in school: we launched the week with a whole school assembly where we thought about how we all can use our 'power for good'. We pledged to be kind and caring towards others and look forward to continuing our hard work with this in school.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

SEN COFFEE MEETING

Our SENCO, Miss Darby, is holding a coffee morning on Tuesday 2nd December 2025 from 9.00 -10.00am for any parents wishing to attend. This will be an opportunity to discuss diagnosis, referrals, paperwork and look at the support we can offer.

CLUB SPOTLIGHT

This week during Forest School sessions the children observed the changes to our outdoor environment; nearly all the leaves have fallen from our trees. The children have been using natural materials to create a Poppy linking to our learning about Remembrance Day. We also worked as a team to create a natural collage of Pudsey Bear. The children safely used the hammer and nails, swung on the rope swing and moved over the obstacle course.

Key reminders: upcoming term dates

	PTA non uniform day	All welcome
28.11.25		
01.12.25	Christmas fair (PTA event)	Parents & carers welcome at 3.15pm
04.12.25	Celebration of excellence	All parents & carers welcome
09.12.25	KSI Christmas performance	9.30 & 2.15 Parents welcome
10.12.25	Christmas Dinner	Rec to Yr6
10.12.25	Christmas Jumper Day	All welcome
11.12.25	LKS2 Christmas Performance	9.30 & 2.15 Parents welcome
15.12.25	Early Years Christmas Performances	9.30 & 2.15 Parents welcome
16.12.25	UKS2 Christmas Performances	9.30 & 2.15 Parents welcome

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

I'm Miss Haigh & I truly adore my job, and I'm fortunate to hold a dual role here as both a Nursery Teacher and the Early Years Leader. The early years are such a magical and vital time in a child's life, and I feel privileged to be a part of it. As a Nursery Teacher, my primary focus is creating a safe, nurturing, and joyful environment where your child feels happy, valued, and excited to come in every day. I believe that children learn best through play. My goal is to spark their natural curiosity, celebrate their "I did it!" moments, and gently guide them as they develop new skills, make friends, and discover their own unique personalities.

PARENT CORNER

Our attendance target is 97%, let's take a look at the attendance each class has achieved this week.

Nursery	99.39%	Year 3	97.5%
Reception	89.66%	Year 3/4	94.29%
Year 1	98.46%	Year 4	98.28%
Year 1/2	97.6%	Year 5	100%
Year 2	96.55%	Year 5/6	89.66%
		Year 6	94.4%

Star Of the Week

Year 1	Lars
Year 1/2	Asiyah
Year 2	Selena

PEAKS OF THE WEEK

UKS2

Our peak was undoubtedly the incredible hard work and focus shown by every pupil as they tackled their assessments, successfully demonstrating how much they have learned. Equally moving was the remarkable maturity and deep respect displayed during our Remembrance Assembly, where we collectively paused to honour the fallen. I am immensely proud of the resilience and thoughtfulness shown by all our KS2 learners this week.

LKS2

Our LKS2 classes had a brilliant week investigating the properties of rocks in science. We focused on the essential skills of scientific inquiry, and the children were absolutely brilliant! They made predictions and then articulated their results with excellent clarity, demonstrating a strong understanding!

KSI

Key Stage One's 'Peak of the Week' is for their wonderful writing. Taking inspiration from the book *Lost and Found*, they invented their own animals instead of the penguin. They used amazing adjectives to write detailed, descriptive sentences about their new creatures.

EYFS

Nursery have enjoyed acting out and retelling the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and reception have enjoyed learning and moving objects using the correct positional mathematical language.


EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER: **MRS ANNABEL BERRY**

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