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Educating For 'Life In All Its Fullness'

2nd October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

In our celebration last week, we said well done to the following children, for making the extra effort to impress with their work, or their behaviour and attitude. Well done to all of you.

<u>Class 1</u>
Excellent Early Learners Felicity and Charlotte
<u>Class 2</u>
Wonderful Work: Mimi Brilliant Behaviour: Molly
<u>Class 3</u>
Wonderful Work: Eliza Brilliant Behaviour: Luca
<u>Class 4</u>
Wonderful Work: Harman Brilliant Behaviour: Emaan

Harvest Festival

Today was our annual Harvest Festival where classes shared some of the things they have been learning about the harvest time and food around the world. It was great to see so many families join us and see what we have been learning about.



Please can I also thank everyone who has brought donations for the Wetherby

Foodbank. There was a wonderful array of offerings, which I know will be most gratefully received and used to support families in our local area who are going through hard times.

If you ever hear of someone who the Foodbank can support, there is no need for a formal referral, people can just turn up and support will be offered. For more details please have a look at their website. <https://wetherbyanddistrict.foodbank.org.uk/>



Parents Evenings

Our first Parents Evenings for this year will be held on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st October starting at 3.30pm with last appointments at 6.20pm. As in previous years, booking your preferred date and time is done online.

Bookings will open on 5th October at 7pm and close on 19th October. To access the booking site please go to www.parents-booking.co.uk/harewoodprimary. A reminder will be sent out nearer the time.



Earlier in the week we sent out the minutes form the PTA AGM and their latest newsletter. In case you missed this, I have attached it again. Please have a look at the information it contains, including initial details of the Pumpkin Party.

Harewood is part of a cluster of schools called EPOSS (Elmet Partnership of Schools & Services). This partnership gives school access to specialist services that we could not provide ourselves and specialist advice. This includes therapeutic support for individuals and groups of children and family support work. The cluster also brings together wider services in the local area including local councillors, the police, housing and local charities with the aim of supporting children and families at a time of need.



EPOSS

Cluster

Supporting
teachers and
schools

Who are EPOSS?

How can they help?



Come and speak to us at your child's school.

DROP-IN AND SPEAK TO US:
between 9-10am

Renwick in Direct Primary	16th October
Bradstone Primary	
Cullingham Lady Elizabeth Hastings	
Crossley Street Primary	24th September
Daginton Gate Primary	5th November
Eastwood Primary	10th October
Lady Elizabeth Hastings Thorp Arch	
Flower Lane	17th October
Scholas Primary	8th September
St Mary's Butler Site	
St Edwards' Infants School	16th September
St Joseph's Motherly	28th September
St John's Barton Gap	10th November
Stained Primary	27th October
Thomas Primary	29th September
Wetherby St James	

Open Days for Reception 2027 Families

On Thursday 15th October at 9.30am and Thursday 12th November at 5.30pm we will be holding an open event for families who may be looking for a Reception place in September 2027. If you know of any families who might be interested, please let them know. If you attend any nurseries or playgroups where there are families who might be interested, please also pass this on. It is very important for school that we fill our Reception class each year and with most families living away from Harewood, word of mouth and recommendations are very important.

There are more details on the school website <https://harewood.leeds.sch.uk/> and on the poster I have attached with this letter. Places can be booked by contacting Mrs Atkinson in the school office office@harewood.leeds.sch.uk



This week the Big Question links with our Harvest Festival. We were also thinking about how it would feel not to be able to access the foods we like or even enough food to stop us being hungry.

What are your favourite foods?



Wellbeing Quote for the Month

As the leaves and the seasons change we can look on changes as a good things and a chance to do things differently or better.

Collective Worship Song – Counting Every Blessing – Rend Collective

This week's song is called 'Counting Every Blessing' by Rend Collective. They are a band from Northern Ireland and are the same band that sing 'My Lighthouse'. They are described as a 'folk rock worship band' – this means they take elements of folk music and mix it with a rock influence. Folk music is traditionally music that has been passed from generation to generation and has its roots in a country's heritage.

'Counting Every Blessing' is a song with very simple instrumentals that make the lyrics really stand out. This week, as we are thinking about harvest and where all our food comes from, think about the words of this song. We really do need to count our blessings as we are lucky enough to have easy access to food to eat – usually, whatever we fancy. In some parts of the world and even in our own country, this is not the case. So, as you listen to this song, take a moment to think about those people not as lucky as us. Let's do all we can to gather food to help the Wetherby Foodbank this week.

YouTube links <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w6Y91axwxfI>

Dates for the Term

Date	Event
Monday 5 th October	Bookings open for Parents Evenings (7pm)
Tuesday 6 th October	Class 4 Trip to the Harewood Estate
Wednesday 7 th October	Class 2 Lotherton Hall Trip
Friday 9 th October	9am EPOSS Parent Drop In session (More details to follow)
Tuesday 13 th October	Class 1 Trip to the Harewood Estate
Thursday 15 th October	Open Day for Reception 2027 families
Tuesday 20 th October	Class 3 Trip to the Harewood Estate
Tuesday 20 th October	Parents Evenings
Wednesday 21 st October	Parents Evenings
Friday 23 rd October	Training Day School closed for the start of the half term break
Monday 2 nd November	School opens for the second part of the Autumn Term

Additional dates and events will be added as they are confirmed.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Ratcliffe