



Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who helped make our 175 year celebration such a success! We were also visited by John Glen in the morning who looked round the school and spoke to both staff and pupils. Please see photos within PN.

Hectic Hair Day

A reminder that tomorrow is Hectic Hair Day, with all donations going to Young Minds Charity, as chosen by pupils.

Rather than bringing money in on the day, donations can be made using the following link:

[Make a donation | Young Minds](#)

Mini-saga competition

Dunn Valley News are running a mini-saga competition! Pupils are invited to write a 100-word mini-saga. The rules are simple, the story must be exactly 100 words, not including the title. It can be any subject.

Harvest Festival

Harvest Festival will be at 2:45pm at St Peter's Church on the last day of T1—Wednesday 22nd Oct. Pupils will be returning to school before they are released to parents.

Any donations of tins etc welcomed from tomorrow onwards.

Black Cat Boogie - costumes

A reminder that if your child is dressing up for Black Cat Boogie, then the general rule is that costumes must be suitable for a four year old. This is because it is a whole school event and it should be enjoyed by the whole school.

Best Wishes,

Emma Wilkinson

Dates for the Diary 2025-2026

16.10.25 Kites Gallery of Learning
16.10.25 Hawks Gallery of Learning
17.10.25 Hectic Hair Day
20-22.10.25 House of Opportunity
Christmas Box Appeal Donations
22.10.25 Black Cat Boogie
22.10.25 Harvest Festival at St Peter's
WC 02.11.25 Parent Consultations.
07.11.25 Open morning for prospective
parents 9-11am
18.11.25 School photos YR, 3 & 6
02.12.25 Flu immunisations
18.12.25 Christmas lunch

Key

Whole School

KS1

KS2

Selected participants/clubs/year groups

This term's value is **Respect**

Respect for self:

Recognising our own uniqueness, value and potential, leading to better self esteem and the drive to try our best.

Respect for others:

Treating others as you would wish to be treated.

Appreciating and accepting everyone's unique backgrounds, perspectives and experiences.

Creating an environment where all voices are heard and everyone feels valued and included.



Birthdays



Spencer, Amaru,

Eldwyn, Eddie, Finlay P

and Georgia



Remember you can wear your own clothes to school!







It's Black Cat Boogie time of year! 🎃 🐱 🖤

Wednesday 22nd October bring the Black Cat Boogie 6-7pm. DJ Sean Bless is ready to entertain! 🎧

All children of Pitton school and their siblings are welcome. Fancy dress is optional. There will be sweets and glitter tattoos available to buy on the night. Squash/water and melon will be available for free. 🍎 🥒

Parents of children in year R-2 will be required to stay whilst the event is happening.

£2.50 per child. Payment to the office via cash or via this link <https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QY98AKKG> Please use your child's name as the payment reference.

We are looking forward to the fun. Can't wait to see all the children there. 😊

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING ATTENDANCE

Attendance notifications– what to expect

At the end of each term, we will monitor the overall attendance for your child from the start of the academic year to date.

Attendance concerns

If your child's attendance is falling below 95%, we will have an informal conversation with you to see if there is anything we can do to work with you to support and improve your child's attendance.

Persistent absence

Persistent absence means that a pupil has less than 90% attendance. That means that on average a pupil is missing 1 session every week. 1 session is a morning or an afternoon. Pupils with attendance that is less than 90% will receive Letter 1 from school. This letter is to raise your awareness of your child's attendance and offer you the opportunity to make an appointment to see how we can best support you as a school.

Additional attendance concerns

We look at patterns of attendance for your child and will also liaise with you if your child has a pattern of lateness, regular absence or full attendance is regularly disrupted.

Illness and medical appointments

We recognise that illness can play a part in your child's absence. Please endeavour to book medical appointments outside of the school day. If you are worried your child is under the weather, please refer to the NHS guidance: Is my child too ill for school? - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Holidays

Whilst we appreciate that there are financial benefits for arranging term time holidays, due to government guidance, it is unlikely that holidays taken in school time will be approved. You will need to complete a 'leave of absence' form available from the school office.