



# Silsden Primary School

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we once again reach the end of the summer term I would like to express my thanks to all of our staff and children for all of the hard work that they have done this year. So many children have made fantastic progress and there have been super end of year results across the school. These show that our school is doing well and that academically Silsden children perform as well as, or better than their peers nationally. The results also show how the efforts of the staff are improving outcomes for children year on year.

The below table shows the current headline attainment figures for our school over the last three years.

	2022	2023	2024	National
<b>End of Reception</b>	65.1%	78.1%	<b>82.0%</b>	67.7%
<b>Year 1 Phonics</b>	88.5%	97.6%	<b>96.3%</b>	80.3%

<b>End of Year 6</b>	2022	2023	2024	National
RWM Combined	52.8%	57.8%	<b>62.2%</b>	60.5%
Reading	75.3%	77.8%	<b>77.8%</b>	74.2%
Writing	55.6%	65.6%	<b>71.1%</b>	71.7%
Maths	72.2%	83.3%	<b>80.0%</b>	73.0%
SPAG	71.1%	75.6%	<b>77.8%</b>	72.1%

Again this year we have made a huge effort to encourage good attendance in school. Our school attendance for the year is 95.5% which is well over the 94.2% nationally. There has also been a large increase in the number of children with 100% attendance. This number has increased from 34 children last year to 60 this year. This is a great achievement and something that these children should be really proud of.

The children have all had transition time with their new teachers and classrooms ready for next year. Parents are already aware from my letter of 25<sup>th</sup> June of the staff that will be leaving us and the new appointments that have been made ready for September. The teaching structure for September is as follows;

YR Nightingale	YR Jenner	YR Seacole	Y1 Brunel	Y1 Stephenson	Y1 Whittle
Mrs Kenyon/ Mrs Eames	Ms Law	Mrs Travers	Miss Nicholson	Miss Bonham	Miss Gregson/ Mrs Clifford
Y2 Bell	Y2 Baird	Y2 Berners Lee	Y3 Holst	Y3 Elgar	Y3 L- Webber
Mr Peat	Miss Johnson	Miss Smith	Mrs Walker	Mrs Carling	Mrs Carter
Y4 Anning	Y4 Turing	Y4 Hawking	Y5 Churchill	Y5 Pankhurst	Y5 Wilberforce
Mr Thompson	Miss Turner	Miss Whitton	Mr Bolland	Mr Musgrove	Miss Hudson
Y6 Drake	Y6 Tull	Y6 Nelson	Nursery		
Mr Daykin	Mrs Hazlehurst	Mr Coates	Miss Keenan		



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In September we will be employing staff from Junior Jam to deliver certain parts of the curriculum, giving teachers their dedicated release time. These staff will be delivering Computing, Music and French in Year 1,2,3,4 and 6. Our own staff will be delivering these subjects in Year 5. As part of this change, children in Year 1 and Year 2 will be learning French from September. Up to now French has only been taught to children in Years 3-6.

Last week you received your child's school reports. I would like to thank the teachers for the hard work and time that they have taken in writing these. I am proud of the reports that our school sends to parents. Compared to other schools that I have seen, our reports contain a lot of valuable information about your children regarding how they are progressing, both academically and personally. Along with the general comments and learning behaviours and attitudes, the most important parts of the reports are the next steps for your children. Please read these carefully alongside your child and make time to work on these next steps with them over the summer. If you are able to do this, it will really help your children with their learning when they return to school.

Thanks once again to our amazing PTFA who have worked hard all year to fundraise for our school. The parents who are involved in this have done a fantastic job organising events throughout the year. They have raised a significant amount of money again which will be helping to purchase our climbing wall. This has been ordered and the children will be using it before Christmas! Please consider how you can become involved with the PTFA in September – they will be looking for new members. Thanks to all of you, our parents, for supporting the different events held throughout the year so positively.

We value the high standard of school uniform that we have in our school. We believe that good school uniform contributes to a calm orderly school, and promotes inclusivity and a sense of belonging. Can parents ensure that children have the correct school uniform when they return in September- particularly shoes. Trainers are only to be worn on P.E. days. The uniform policy is on the school website for you to check if you are unsure of what children should be wearing. Please get it sorted over the summer.

On behalf of all the staff and myself, we wish you a great summer holiday. I'm sure that the weather will improve at some point! Thank you for your ongoing support this year. We look forward to seeing you all back in school on Tuesday 3rd September.

Yours faithfully,

K.S.Russell  
Headteacher