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# Newsletter 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## Dates for Diaries – Spring 1

Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 5 Swimming
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	SENCO, Kate Taylor, in school Year 5 Swimming
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	EYFS Walk and Talk
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Year 5 Swimming
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Book Fair available after school for a week
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	PTA Cake Sale SENCO, Kate Taylor, in school
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Internet Safety Day Year 5 Swimming
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	EYFS Walk and Talk Valentine's Disco
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School closes for half term

## SENCO



Mrs Kate Taylor is our Special Educational Needs Coordinator.

Mrs Harrington is now also the 'back-up' SENCO in school and can help parents when Mrs Taylor is not on site. She can be contacted via the school office.

Mrs Taylor will be in school on the dates below this term but can also be contacted via email on [senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk)

27<sup>th</sup> January

9<sup>th</sup> February

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## Keeping Children Safe Online – A Reminder for Parents and Carers

As a school, we are committed to helping children stay safe, both in and out of school. We would like to remind parents and carers that the responsibility for monitoring children's use of mobile phones, social media, games and apps at home sits with families.

Many popular apps and platforms have **age restrictions** in place to protect children. For example, services such as **WhatsApp, Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat and Roblox are all rated 13+**, meaning they are not designed for primary-aged children. These platforms can expose children to inappropriate content, online contact with strangers, and situations they may not be emotionally ready to manage.

We strongly encourage parents and carers to:

- Regularly check which apps and games their child is using
- Be aware of age ratings and terms of use
- Use parental controls and privacy settings where available
- Talk openly with children about online safety and responsible behaviour

Working together, we can help ensure that children enjoy the benefits of technology in a safe and age-appropriate way. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our children safe.

## Attendance

Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**We are aiming for every child/class to have at least 96% attendance**

Class	Attendance Percentage
Reception	100
Year 1	96.8
Year 2	95.2
Year 3	93
Year 4	96.7
Year 5	97.8
Year 6	96.4

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## **Safeguarding Updates**

The **Designated Safeguarding Lead** (DSL) in school is: Mrs White

The **Deputy DSLs** are: Mr Stell and Mrs Harrington

**We have produced a new leaflet for parents about Safeguarding at WWB. Please take the time to read this.**

**Paper copies are available from the school office and on the school website: [www.wwb.lancs.sch.uk](http://www.wwb.lancs.sch.uk)**

## **Operation Encompass**

Our school is part of **Operation Encompass**, a safeguarding initiative that supports children who may have been affected by domestic abuse.

Operation Encompass works by ensuring that, when the police attend a domestic abuse incident where a child is present or lives in the household, the school is informed before the start of the next school day. This information is shared confidentially with the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead.

The purpose of this is to make sure that school staff are aware and can provide appropriate care and support for the child during the school day. This might include offering a listening ear, extra reassurance, or additional support as needed. The information is handled sensitively and only shared with staff who need to know.

Operation Encompass helps schools work closely with other agencies to ensure children feel safe, supported and ready to learn. If you would like more information about Operation Encompass please visit their website:

<https://www.operationencompass.org/>



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## **CONTACT US**



Please always request to speak to your child's class teacher as first point of contact if you have a query or concern. If it cannot be resolved with the teacher, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will aim to make themselves available to you as soon as possible.

School contact details: 01200 422915 or [bursar@wwb.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@wwb.lancs.sch.uk)

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