



We've had a fantastic and very busy start to the new year. Children have settled in to their new classes really quickly and have impressed their teachers with how much they've remembered from last year. A special mention to our year 3 children who have embraced our MARVEL values and are showing them on a daily basis. Well done!

Year 5 and 6 were visited by Mrs. Bolton from Colne Valley High school last week. She invited them to the upcoming open evening (9.10.25) and told them all about the exciting events they have planned in conjunction with primary schools including sports, arts and music events.

Mrs. Bolton also visited to train our year 5 play leaders. They have got straight to work organizing fun games at dinner times, which in addition to the new playground equipment have presented further opportunities for children to exercise and maintain a healthy lifestyle between lessons.

On Wednesday, we were visited by Ben from Strength School who run our Wednesday morning martial arts club. He explained some of the aspects of self-defense and even modelled some of his favourite techniques, at Mr. Ward's expense, much to the delight of our children. If you are interested in your child joining martial arts club then please contact the office.

Mrs. Hemingway's class have welcomed some interesting new members to their class this week (stick insects). So far, we haven't managed to get them in uniform or to produce any work but we hope they will soon!



Attendance

The table below shows the attendance over the first three weeks for each class. Whole school attendance for the same period sits at **97.9%** this is above the current national average (**95.5%**). Thank you for your continued commitment to get children to school every day and on time.

3/4 RH	97.74%
3/4 EA	98.93%
3/4 ES	99.63%
5/6 VB	97.47%
5/6 OW	95.23%
5/6 RH	98.21%

Match reports and pictures

Our 5/6 boys football team started the new year with two great results in the league. They beat Dalton 2 – 0 and then beat St. Joseph's by the same score. Well done boys! They also took part in a tournament at CVHS on Thursday. Both teams were drawn in the same group and finished first and second. The team finishing top went through to the final and won! Well done to all involved and what a great way to start the sporting year!



Key dates

- 22-9-25 3:30 – 4:30** Meet & Greet for parents
- 22 – 9 – 25** Y5/6 Girls football
- 23 – 9- 25** Individual school photos
- 25 – 9 – 25** Y 3/4 football
- 29 – 9- 25** North of England Centre for Music and Arts visit (Whole school)
- 30 – 9 – 25** Cross Country Y3 – 6 @CVHS