

Netherton Park Nursery School Headteacher Newsletter



Autumn half term 2 November 2025

Welcome back after the Autumn half term break - I hope you all had lots of fun exploring in the Autumn weather. I would like to say thank you to all parents for your support while we had to close for the roof repairs - it is really appreciated.

We have already celebrated Diwali this week and we now have an exciting half term coming up for the children and the staff as we build up to our Christmas celebrations. Please refer to the document calendar added on Tapestry or our website [Netherton Park Nursery School - Calendar](#) for events coming up over the next half term.



The NEST is fully stocked and is open for any parents to access any emergency items needed. Just ask Alison, Jackie or staff on Reception. Thank you

We also can offer support to families in many other ways so PLEASE come and see Alison or Jackie.

ATTENDANCE

A reminder that unless your child is really unwell they need to attend their sessions every day. The impact of non-attendance at Nursery significantly increases gaps in knowledge and understanding for children, as well as impacting on their social and emotional development. Research has shown that this has a huge impact on their attainment, achievement and future life choices.

*As a Nursery School our expectations for attendance are **95%** and above.*

We are required by law to maintain an accurate record of the attendance and absence of each child and parents/carers are asked to assist in this process by keeping us informed if their child is absent for any reason. **Absences must be reported before 9.00am for morning and 30 hours children and by 12.50pm for Afternoon children.**

All attendance is monitored half termly, with letters sent to all parents informing them of their child's attendance and punctuality for the previous term. For any attendance that falls below 85% the letter includes the expectations for improvement in attendance.

In instances where attendance is a real concern, (unfortunately we have some children whose attendance is significantly low, below 60%) Jackie will have a verbal discussion with parents/carers to see how we can support attendance to improve. If improvements are not seen then a meeting with Alison and parents/carers will take place.

Our Attendance Policy can be found on our website.

[Netherton Park Nursery School - Attendance](#)

Please be aware there seems to be a lot of dog poo in the park on the paths and grass often hidden by leaves.



INSET DAY- Nursery School closed

Friday 19th December

Nursery School Fund



A reminder to all parents that we ask for **£1 each week from all children** which helps with the 'extra' activities such as cooking and play dough resources.

We **really** value and appreciate all donations.

Safeguarding information

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child within our school please speak to one of our Designating Safeguarding Leads

Designated Safeguarding Lead - Alison Ward

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead - Verony Elmer

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead - Jackie Armstrong

Governor with responsibility for Safeguarding - Teresa Cutler

Christmas

If children want to send cards to their friends, name lists will be added to Tapestry at the end of November.

Please send cards in between **Monday 8th and Monday 15th December ONLY**

Whilst staff really appreciate the kind thoughts of Christmas gifts from children, we want to make all families aware that in these financially challenging times for everybody, staff have shared that they would rather families use money towards their own family celebrations



and not on gifts for them

Thank you



Attendance Autumn half term 1

(8/9/25 - 24/10/25)

Expectations are over 95%

Whole Nursery School attendance: 87%

Acorn Morning	88%
Acorn Afternoon	81%
Becky	90%
Hilary morning	84%
Hilary afternoon	86%
Jo	91%
Katie	94%
Kerry	76%
Sycamore	86%



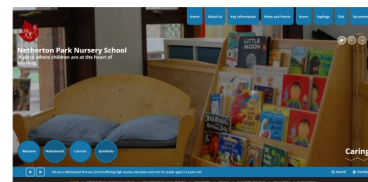
Tapestry is used as our main tool for communication so it is **very important that you check it regularly**

Please click 'like' when reading observations that staff add as well as adding your own comments

Nursery School website

We have a new website: [Netherton Park Nursery School - Home](#)

Please check **regularly** for any updates



The use of mobile phones is not permitted on any part of the Nursery School site.

Vaping and smoking is not permitted at the gates when dropping off or collecting.

