Being our Best Selves

Ludworth Primary School



26th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone who has returned their data sheets. If you haven't yet done so, please return them as soon as possible.

We also want to remind you that only a few families have yet to sign up to **Class Dojo**, our new communication platform. Please refer back to the original email for guidance on how to respond to messages. While we value communication with you, please remember that our teachers' first priority is teaching your children-alongside many other responsibilities throughout the day. This means that messages may not be responded to immediately.

If you have an **urgent or emergency matter**, please contact the school office directly via phone, email, or in person. For all other messages, we kindly ask for your patience and understanding. Our staff work incredibly hard, and it's important that they are not expected to be available outside of working hours. Messages sent in the evening or over the weekend will not receive an immediate response the following morning. Rest assured, your message will be read and responded to in due course. As always, if something is time-sensitive, please contact the admin team through the

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Celebrating Our Pupils

Our **Head and Deputy Head Councillors** have already begun their important roles, welcoming prospective Reception children and their families during this week's stayand-play sessions. They were fantastic role models-kind, knowledgeable, and thoughtful. The feedback from visitors was overwhelmingly positive. Well done, team!

We've also received lovely feedback about the smooth and supportive start to the school year. Thank you – it's always wonderful to hear that your child's experience has been a positive one.

Today, the children enjoyed a **science-themed assembly** full of exciting experiments and wonder! Look out for information coming home about our Mad Science extracurricular clubs, which are always very popular.

It was also lovely to welcome so many of our new Reception parents this morning for our open-door classroom visit. The children have settled in beautifully, and it's incredible to see how quickly they've adapted to school life. Thank you to all parents for helping make this such a positive start to their journey at Ludworth.

Harvest Festival - Year 1

Next week, Year 1 will be leading our Harvest Festival Assembly. They've asked for nominations of local individuals – particularly from the older generation – who might benefit from receiving a harvest hamper. This is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen intergenerational connections and support our local community. If you know someone who would appreciate a hamper, please let us know.

Spotlight: Ofsted

This week's **Spotlight** is on Ofsted, their new Inspection Framework, and the possibility of an imminent visit. Please take a moment to read through the information provided.

Kind Regards

Mrs Walker Headteacher

KEY DATES

year 1 Harvest Assembly 3rd October - gam Flu Vaccinations Reception 2026 Parent Tour 14th October 9.30am - 10.30am year 6 Height and Weight Checks Parent Advice Sessions 16th October - gam-11am Maths Success Share 1 20th October - 8,45am-9,15am Maths Success Share 2 21st October - 8.45am-9.15am year 3 Stone Age Day 22nd October PTA Halloween Disco SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM SCHOOL OPENS FOR AUTUMN 2 3rd November 8.40am

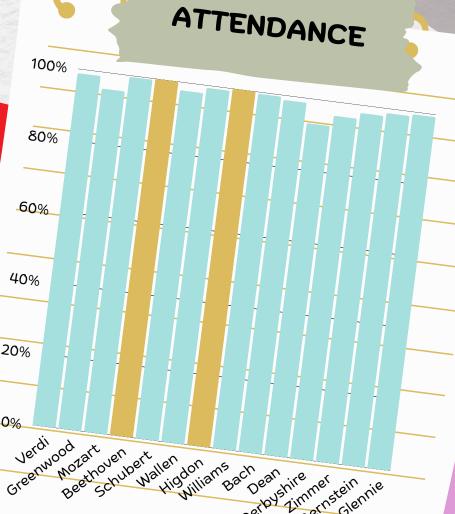
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<u>Spotlight on Ofsted Inspection Reforms and Visit to</u> <u>Ludworth Primary School</u>

Exciting News from Ludworth Primary School! * We're Helping Shape the Future of School Inspections

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're thrilled to share some exciting news with you - Ludworth Primary School has been invited to take part in a **pilot inspection** for the renewed Education Inspection Framework (EIF)!

This is a fantastic opportunity for our school and a real honour to be part of this pilot. Only a small number of schools across the country have been invited to take part, and it means that Ludworth is playing a key role in helping shape how inspections will be carried out in the future. The inspectors are currently being trained on the new framework, and our school will provide a valuable setting for them to practice and refine their approach.

What does this mean for us?

Next Tuesday 30th September and Wednesday 1st October, a team of three His Majesty's Inspectors will visit Ludworth to carry out a pilot inspection. While the process will closely resemble a real inspection, it's important to note that:

There will be no formal judgements or outcomes.

Inspectors will not contact parents or collect parent views.

The visit is purely for training and development purposes.

We will approach the days as we would a full inspection, and there will be opportunities for both the school and the inspectors to reflect and provide feedback. This collaborative approach will help ensure that future inspections are more accurate, meaningful, and focused on the aspects of school life that truly matter.

Why is this important?

Being part of this pilot places Ludworth at the forefront of educational development. It allows us to contribute to a process that will impact schools across the country and ensures our voice is heard in shaping how inspections evolve. It's a wonderful learning opportunity for our staff, and we're proud to be involved.

How can you support?

We've shared the news with the children during our celebration assembly, and reminded them of the importance of being their **Best Selves** – in their uniform, behaviour, attitude, and learning. Please continue to support your child in making great choices as we prepare for this special visit.

After the inspection, I'll write again to share how it went and any updates we receive about the new framework and future developments.

Thank you for your continued support – we're proud to be part of such a forward-thinking and engaged school community.

Mrs Walker and the Ludworth Team

