



Low Ash Primary School, Wrose Road, Wrose, Shipley BD18 1AA
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Improving pupil attendance continues to be a priority for us so each week we will share attendance figures with you. Our aim is to reach 96% attendance.

This week's attendance: 95.7%

Classes with the best attendance of the week: 1P and 5B

Year to date: 95.1%

Let's see if we can improve on this week's figure next week.

Children's Mental Health Week:

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week with the theme of 'My Voice Matters'. We will be leading assemblies linked to this topic and will end the week with a non-uniform day on Friday 9th February. The theme of the non-uniform day is 'Express Yourself'.

"We're all different – we all have different things that make us tick and that bring a smile to our face. Express Yourself allows children and young people to celebrate what makes them unique with an incredibly fun dress-up day – this could be sharing their favourite hobby, such as skateboarding or dancing, or wearing their favourite colour or accessory. Or it could just be coming in as themselves. Express Yourself is about letting children's voice shine through and empowering them to tell their own stories!"

If you would like to donate in support of this cause, please use the link below.

<https://donate.place2be.org.uk/?campaign=cmhw&source=website&medium=website&dontype=single>

Similarly, if you would like to view any of the resources for families, please follow the link below.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

Linked to mental health, due to the growing mental health crisis in society, Low Ash is adopting a Mental Health curriculum after half term. We will be using the NHS backed 'My Happy Mind' programme to help children build self-esteem, resilience and confidence. Our PSHE lead, Miss Thornton has been trialling the lessons with her class this half term with the aim to roll it out to the whole school from next half term. More information on this will follow but, in the meantime, if you would like any more information, please visit the My Happy Mind website.

<https://myhappymind.org/>



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New Staff Appointment

We are delighted to announce that this week, we appointed a new Assistant Headteacher to work on the Senior Leadership Team at Low Ash Primary. Mrs Carmel Spedding will join the Inclusion team at Low Ash after Easter. She is an experienced leader, safeguarding lead and SENCO who has worked in the Leeds authority for a number of years. Mrs Spedding will work alongside Miss Grimshaw, our Director of Inclusion. She is very excited to be joining Low Ash.

School Drop Off

Please can we ask that, unless your child is in Years 5 or 6 and travels to school on their own, that you make sure that your child is escorted onto the school site and that you see them going into their entrance. The school gates are locked after 8.55 – after this point pupils must enter through the school office.

Useful dates for your diary

Thursday 8th February – 9.00-10.30 / 12.30-2.00 -Nursery stay and play (share a lesson) session

Monday 5th-Friday 9th February – Children’s Mental Health Week

Friday 9th February - Non-uniform day – “express yourself”

Friday 9th February – School closes for half term

Monday 19th February – School reopens after half term

Thursday 22nd February – Pupils’ Film Night at school - Friends of Low Ash event

Wednesday 28th February and Thursday 29th February – consultation evenings

Thursday 7th March – World Book day

Dates can be found in the calendar section of our website.

[Upcoming Events | Low Ash Primary School](#)

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events and activities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. We hope you all have a lovely weekend and we will see you on Monday.

Yours sincerely,

Beth Medhurst and Fiona Meer
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