



Strawberry Fields Primary School

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Newsletter: Spring Term 9th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,
A very happy new year to you all! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas with your families and have lots to look forward to in 2026.

The children have returned with renewed energy – as have us all! We are delighted with how the children have responded to the new themes and topics which they are focusing on this term, and have already seen some excellent pieces which the children have produced.

Have a great week,
Mrs Mumby

Tesco Stronger Starts Blue Tokens

We have been successful in our application to Tesco Stronger Starts. Voting will commence in store from mid-January 2026 until the end of March 2026.

As part of our commitment to promoting mental health and emotional wellbeing, we are looking to install covered, seated shelters in our playground.

The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive up to £1,500 (or the amount that was requested, up to this value), the second placed project up to £1,000 (or the amount that was requested, up to this value), and the third placed project £500.

Please see the stores listed below which will be taking part in our voting.

3337 Sherburn In Elmet Express LS25 6BG
4795 Garforth Express Express LS25 2BX
4796 Allerton Bywater Express Express WF10 2AT
5107 Garforth Superstore LS25 2DX

5279 Leeds Road Rothwell Express Express LS26
0HB
5734 Swillington Express LS26 8DS

Please share these stores with family and friends
Thank you in advance for your continued support.



Items from Home

We have a number of children who are coming into school with lip gloss, Labubus, toys, stationery, and jewellery. Children do not need any of these items in school, and must leave these at home. All pencils, pens and books are provided and children do not need toys in school, unless an agreement is in place with staff. We will confiscate any items which the children do bring in unnecessarily so please do support us and ensure that such items remain at home. Many thanks.

Social Media and Safeguarding

We have been made aware by the safeguarding team of inappropriate content children may be accessing on **TikTok**. For your child's safety and wellbeing, please do check their phones regularly, and adhere to the age restrictions in place which are there to protect your child.

There have also been concerns raised amongst safeguarding professionals regarding the **JusTalk**

App and **JusTalk Kids**. Please follow the following link for further information:

https://saferschoolsni.co.uk/what-is-the-justalk-app/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

Supervision at the Start of the School Day

Please do not leave your child unsupervised on the playground at the start of day. Whilst we understand children in upper key 2 may walk to school independently, younger children should be supervised by an adult until their classroom door is opened.

Parent Arbor App

Please do follow the link sent earlier in the week in order to begin using the Arbor Parent App. If you have not yet activated your account, please check your emails for the link for your personal account. This will give you up-to-date information regarding your child's attendance. There are many other functions which, if we get 100% sign up, we will be able to utilise. We are currently at 60% of parents who have signed up, so please do log on as soon as possible.



Friends of Strawberry Fields Toddlers – Save the Date

We are hoping to hold a toddler's session in school on a regular basis. The first one will take place on Thursday 29th January, 8.50-11am. If you have a child who is not yet of school age and you would like to join other parents and carers for a cuppa, cake, catch up and play, please do save the date and we will shortly send out further details. Any donations of 'as new' toys covering the 6 months to 3 years age range would be appreciated and can be left with our school office team.

BICYCLE Project – Born in Covid Year: Core Lockdown Events

A research study being led by researchers at City St George's, University of London, is looking into the effects of Covid on young children. They are hoping to recruit new families who have children born between July 19th 2021 and October 19th 2021. If you would like to take part in this

important study, please see the information below.

Achievement Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received Superstar Learner certificates in today's Achievement Assembly. We are very proud of them!

F2 Blue – Well done to Indigo

F2 Red – Well done to Reuben

1 JL – Well done to Louis

1/2 CE – Well done to Theadora

2 AS – Well done to Martha

3 CB – Well done to Luna

3/4 JH – Well done to Lincoln

4 DS – Well done to Daan

5 BM – Well done to Samuel

5/6 LB – Well done to Daisy

6 LH – Well done to Mia

Headteacher Award – Well done to Cici in 5/6LB

Citizen of the Week – Well done to Lweendo (6LH), Ruby (5/6LB) and Kobe (6LH)

Attendance

We encourage good attendance at all times and know that if children attend well, they achieve well. Our school target is 96%. We strive to support all families in meeting and exceeding this

target for all of our children, to ensure they grow socially, emotionally, and academically.

Our attendance table this week:

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
F2 Blue	94.01%
F2 Red	99.21%
1JL	95.71%
1/2CE	97.14%
2AS	94.58%
3CB	90.66%
3/4JH	97.14%
4DS	97.13%
5BM	96.19%
5/6LB	92.92%
6LH	98.33%
Whole School	95.30%

Diary Dates

JANUARY

Wednesday 14th Year 1/2 Alfresco Learning
Great Fire of London
Workshop

Wednesday 14th - Friday 16th Year 6 Residential to
Robinwood

Tuesday 20th Inspire Morning 12CE
Wednesday 21st Inspire Morning 2AS
Thursday 22nd Inspire Morning 1JL
W.B. Monday 26th Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 27th Local Governing Board
Meeting
Thursday 29th Young Voices at Sheffield
Arena

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 3rd Y5/6 Visit to the Holocaust
Museum
Tuesday 10th Music Day

HALF TERM MONDAY 16th – FRIDAY 20th FEBRUARY

Remaining INSET Days 2025/26

Monday 20th July 2026

Tuesday 21st July 2026

INSET Days 2026/27

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Friday 23rd October 2026

Friday 18th December 2026

Monday 4th January 2027

Thursday 22nd July 2027

Lunchtime Menus for Week Beginning 12th January 2026

WEEK 2	 MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish	Cheese and tomato pizza with potato wedges	Chicken and tomato pasta	Chicken Korma with rice	Roast pork with creamy mash and gravy	Crispy battered fish and chunky chips
Vegetarian Main dish	Vegetarian all day breakfast	Quorn hotdog	Quorn Korma with rice	Cottage pie	Quorn dipper with chunky chips
Sandwich Selection	Cheese sandwich	Turkey roll	Ham bap	Pork roll	Tuna bap
Jacket potato	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese	N/A	Topping of tuna mayo, beans or cheese
Accompaniments	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Homemade bread Sweetcorn/carrots	Homemade bread Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
Desserts	Lemon Shortbread	Oaty Biscuit	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Ice cream	Carrot Cake
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt/Jelly

WEEK 2 / Monday 12th January / Monday 2nd February



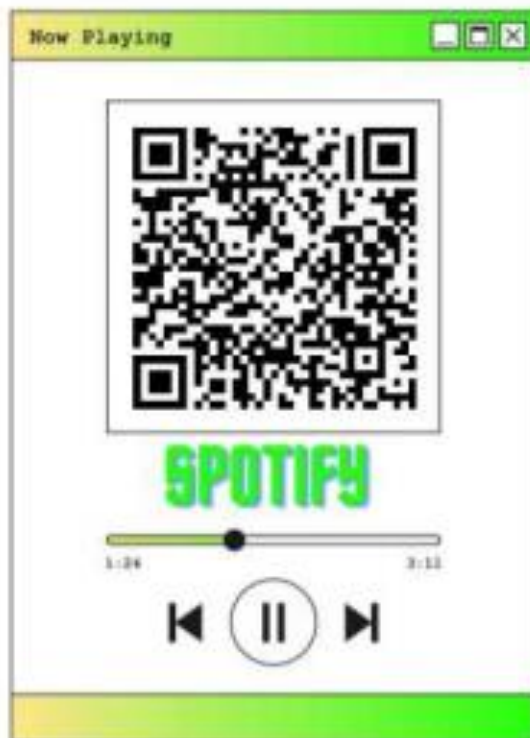


HOME INFORMATION



January's Musician of the Month

HANS ZIMMER



About: Hans Florian Zimmer is a German film score composer and music producer. He has won two Oscars and four Grammys, and has been nominated for three Emmys and a Tony. His works are notable for integrating electronic music sounds with traditional orchestral arrangements. Since the 1980s, Zimmer has composed music for over 150 films.

Genres: Orchestral, Electronic & Soundtrack

Active from: 1977-Present

Origin: Frankfurt, Germany

Books to read...

If you like Hans Zimmer, try...



- John Williams
- Max Steiner
- Rachel Portman