



Friday Flyer – 16th January 2026

We are now two weeks into this term; the children have settled very well and are back into the routine of coming to school. Christmas holidays seem so far away however, we only have 4 weeks before another break is upon us.

This week we would like to share some information from the NHS about sleep or lack of. This is a common issue with some children. A lack of sleep can have a huge impact on a child's engagement with learning in school and building a good sleep routine can make a big difference!

The NHS have some good advice for creating a consistent bedtime routine and this can be viewed here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/baby/health/sleep-and-young-children>

Health and Safety in Winter Weather

At this time of the year, the weather can be unpredictable. We would ask you to remind your children daily to bring their warm, waterproof winter coats/hats/gloves (clearly named) etc to school so that they remain warm when playing outdoors at break and dinner time. We always try to do a risk assessment on the safety of the different school areas, especially before outdoor play. Even with that, accidents can happen. I would ask you to remind your children to be mindful of safety when playing and running outside, especially in the wintertime.

Website

We are delighted to report that we will soon be sharing a link to our new website which will contain all the up-to-date information including our term dates which can be see [here](#)

After School Clubs

The following after school clubs will start the week commencing 12th January 2026.

If you would like your child to participate in any of the clubs, please either follow the link to book a session or book on Arbor. Here is a reminder of what we have on offer:

Wednesday 12.30 – 1.00	Spanish Lessons all ages	maria.carrera@kidslingo.co.uk
Wednesday 3.15 – 4.15pm	Multi Sports Year 1/2	Please book on Arbor
Friday 3.15-4.00pm	Choir Year 2 upwards	spotlightsinging@outlook.com

PE Lessons Next Term.

Just a reminder that we have changed some of the PE days in school this term, please see below:

Willow	Wednesday and Friday
Maple	Tuesday and Thursday
Birch	Tuesday and Friday
Oak	Monday and Wednesday

Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform:

White t-shirt,

Black, navy or royal blue shorts/skort.

Black, navy or royal blue hoodies or sweatshirts.

Black, navy or royal blue leggings/joggers – no slogans and no non-school colours.

Trainers are needed for outdoor PE.

Come as You Are!

On Friday 6th February we would like to invite the children to come into school dressed in whatever makes them feel comfortable (within reason!). This is to help celebrate Mental Health Week, beginning on Monday 2nd February.

KS2 Parents Maths Meeting in School and On-Line

On Thursday 12th February we would like to invite the parents/carers of KS2 children to a Maths information meeting - either in school during the afternoon or on-line after school. Further details will be sent home shortly.

Parent Governor

We have a vacancy for the position of Parent Governor on the school's Local Governing Committee.

Parent Governors are elected by parents, so anyone wishing to stand for election should contact the school office in the first instance.

Parents play a vital role in bringing a parental perspective to the governing board but are not there to speak 'on behalf' of the parent body.

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor, please contact the school for further information.

Inspiring Guest Speakers

We are keen to welcome parents and carers into school as guest speakers to share inspiring stories with our pupils. This might include sporting achievements, personal challenges you have overcome, community involvement, career journeys or other experiences that could motivate and inspire our children. These talks would be age-appropriate and arranged at mutually convenient times.

Please contact the school office, letting us know how you might like to be involved.

Please see Diary dates below:

Diary Dates 2026

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Friday 16 th January	Young Voices performance in Birmingham
Friday 23 rd January	Celebration Assembly 9.05am - parents welcome
Monday 2 nd February	Mental Health Week
2 nd - 6 th February	Year 6 Assessment Week
Friday 6 th February	Come as you are Day
Thursday 12 th February	KS2 Parents Maths Meeting in person and Online 2-7pm



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Friday 13 th February	Celebration Assembly 9:05am - parents welcome
Monday 16 th – 20 th February	Half Term
Monday 23 rd February 2026	School Open

Academic Calendar 2026	
Monday 5 th January- Friday 13 th February 2026	Spring Term
Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February	Half Term
Monday 23 rd February – Friday 27 th March	Spring Term
Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 13 th April – Friday 22 nd May	Summer Term
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May	Half Term
Monday 1 st June – Thursday 9 th July	Summer Term
Friday 10 th July – Monday 24 th August	Summer Holiday.

Attendance

Can we remind parents to contact the school office before 9.30am if your child is going to be absent so that we can mark the register accordingly.

If we do not know the reason why a pupil is absent, then this will be marked as an unauthorised absence and we may have to raise a safeguarding concern also. Please contact school via phone or email at ullesthorpe@ipat.uk

GOOD ATTENDANCE MEANS BEING IN SCHOOL AT LEAST 95% OF THE TIME (180 – 190 DAYS).

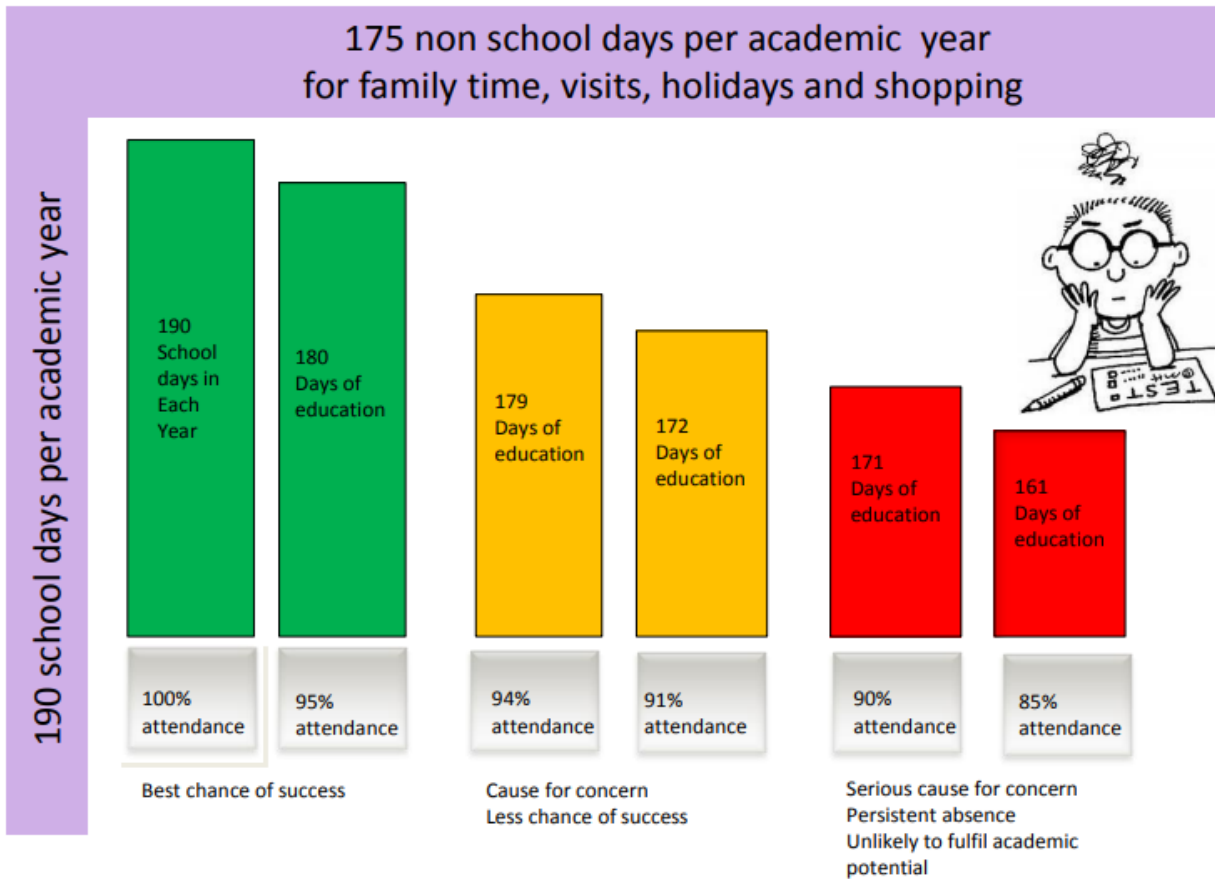
There are 175 non-school days per academic year for family time, visits, holidays and shopping.

What the government says about school attendance:

At KS2, pupils who attend school nearly every day in year 6 (with an attendance rate of 95-100%) were 1.3 times more likely to achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths, compared to pupils who only attend 90-95% of the time. **This means missing just 10 days of year 6 reduces the likelihood of reaching the expected standard by around 25%.** Pupils who attend everyday are 1.8 times more likely to achieve the standard than persistently absent pupils who only attend 80 – 90% of the time (relating to 4-6 weeks more time in school).

DFR Report. Link between attendance and attainment:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/link-between-attendance-and-attainment?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=e6e8cd73-0c3d-4532-b222-35984e1d594f&utm_content=daily



Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you have concerns about the welfare of any child, then you have a responsibility to call the First Response Children's Duty Team on 0116 305 0005.

Further advice/ support on this can be obtained from our Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Allen, Mrs McMurrans or Mr Gray.





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No nuts or sesame seeds please - thank you for helping us to keep all of our children safe and well

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