Spring 1 Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As we reach the end of the Spring 1 half term, I want to take a moment to reflect on all the fantastic experiences and achievements that have made this a truly wonderful few weeks. Our children have enjoyed some exciting trips and enrichment activities, bringing their learning to life beyond the classroom. A particular highlight was our Young Voices trip, where our school choir performed as part of a huge choir in an unforgettable event —what an experience! Reception also had their first library trip, sparking a love of reading and exploring books in a new environment. Additionally, our dance workshops have been a great success, with children across the school embracing movement,

creativity, and rhythm with enthusiasm. In the classroom, children have produced some fantastic work, demonstrating curiosity, effort, and resilience in their learning. It has been wonderful to see so many pupils earning Track-it Lights for their positive behaviour, showing kindness, respect, and determination each day.

Looking ahead to next half term, we will continue to work on improving attendance across the school, ensuring that every child benefits from the full learning experience. We will also focus on embedding the basic skills in maths and English, building confidence and fluency in these core areas. Most importantly, we remain committed to ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive in a supportive and inspiring environment.

School reopens on Monday 24th February at the normal time.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half-term holiday.

IN MEMORY OF MRS THORNTON

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the passing of Mrs Thornton, a valued member of our school community who worked with our Year 6 pupils as a tutor for many years.

Mrs Thornton was dedicated to supporting our students in their learning, providing guidance and encouragement to help them reach their full potential.

Many of our past pupils and families will remember her kindness, patience, and commitment to ensuring every child felt confident and prepared for their next steps in education. Her impact on our school will not be forgotten, and our thoughts are with her family and friends at this difficult time.

If you would like to share any memories or messages of condolence, please feel free to contact the school office, and we will ensure they are passed on to her loved ones.



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24th Feb – School reopens 28th Feb – Interim reports to parents 4th Mar – School Nurse drop in sessions 5th/6th Mar – Parent consultation meetings 6th Mar – World Book Day 2th Mar – World Book Day 2th Mar – Year 5 and 6 online science event 14th Mar – Red Nose Day 17th Mar – Spring Concert at St P and P 18th/19th/20th – Year 3 residential 21st Mar – Y5 trip to Jodewll Bank 28th Mar – Fun Food Chef 7th Apr – Y6 practise tests 11th Apr – Easter Holidays

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DIARY DATES





ATTENDANCE We have seen an improvement in individuals, class and whole school attendance this year - thank you for your continued support. Our school target is 96%. At the moment attendance is at 93.3% **Registration Form Attendance R/KLB & LT** 95.13% RRJL 93,99% Y1LD 90.36% Y1RD 92.88% 91.56% Y2AP 93.4% Y2LA **Y3AB** 93.42% 94,74% Y3KD Y4CH 92,78% Y4TP 92.67% Y5LW 94.3% 94,21% Y5ML Y6DW 95.29% 91.96% Y6GB

BEHAVIOUR

The newly introduced Track-it light system has been well received by pupils and it has been fantastic to see the amount of green (positive) points being awarded. Since we launched the system in January, 49119 behaviours have been logged, with 96% of them being positive.

134 children have achieved their Bronze certificate for achieving 150 points which means that they already qualify for the behaviour reward at the end of term. We are encouraging all children to try their hardest to ensure that they have 150 points before Easter to be able to participate.

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WORLD BOOK DAY

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MARCH 2025

Winnie

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STORY BOOK

ed by E. H. Shepard

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Thursday the 6th March we will be celebrating World Book Day with a Kindness theme.

The Masked Reader

Staff will be donning their best disguises and using their best voice changing techniques to read some well-known extracts from children's books. Who will be behind the mask?



<mark>Book Swap</mark>

On Thurs 6th March, children may bring any books they no longer read to swap with those of other children.

Dress Up & Donation

In exchange for a minimum **donation of £1**, children are invited to dress as a KIND character from a story. For example, Miss Honey from Matilda, Winnie the Pooh or Aslan. Please do not feel obliged to buy costumes, homemade outfits and props will be fantastic! Donations (please hand in at as classroom door) will be used to replenish reading book supplies.

Competition

Character Masks

- You could use: Card, paper, markers, scissors, glue, elastic string, and any other craft materials.
- What you could do: Have children pick a KIND book character and create a mask. They can cut out the shape of the character's face (like Harry Potter's round glasses, or Cat in the Hat's striped hat) and decorate it. Punch holes at the sides and add an elastic band to wear the mask.
 - A winner from each phase will be announced and prizes will be presented. All entries will go on display in the school library.



Thank you for helping us celebrate!



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