

Friday 6 December 2019

Dear Parents & Carers,

Next week is Parents' Evening and we are looking forward to seeing all parents so we can share progress from the first term. These meetings are critical for you to understand how your child is doing at school in a variety of different areas. Please ensure you attend the meeting with your child's class teacher.

At the end of Y2, children must sit the Key Stage 1 SATs tests. This is a statutory requirement and all Y2 children across the country take these tests. Miss Black is holding a Y2 SATs workshop next Wednesday at 2.45pm in the school hall for Y2 parents so we can share the expectations for this with you, and to help you to support and prepare your child for these national assessments. All Y2 parents are expected and required to attend.

The Queens Theatre concert for Y2 and Y3 children is now just over a week away! Our children will be performing with members of Rhodes Choir on the day, and this is a great opportunity for them to experience the excitement of performing on stage. Parents who haven't done so already should collect their ticket from the office (one per child), you may be able to get additional tickets by contacting Queens Theatre directly.

Kind regards,

Mr Raheel Akhtar
Headteacher

KEY DATES 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019

Wednesday 11 December

Y2 SATs workshop for parents from 2.45pm

Thursday 12 December

Parents' Evening

Friday 13 December

Reception workshop for parents from 2.45pm

Xmas Jumper Day

Road Safety Show for Y1-Y3

Monday 16 December

Y2 and Y3 Queen's Theatre Xmas performance

Tuesday 17 December

School nurse drop-in at 8.30am

Wednesday 18 December

Xmas performances for Reception and Y1 parents during the afternoon

Thursday 19 December

Xmas lunch for chn

PTA School Disco from 3.15pm

Friday 20 December

Chn break up for Xmas holidays

**dates may be added or amended as necessary*

MILK BOTTLE DONATIONS FOR Y3 PROJECT



As part of Year 3's topic on World Wars 1 and 2, they will be making their own gas masks using milk bottles. We would be grateful for donations of 2 pint and 4 pint bottles next week. Thank you in advance!

ATTENDANCE

Class Name	Weekly Attendance
Bluebell	86.9%
Daisy	89.2%
Sunflower	94.7%
Poppy	88.3%
Carnation	93.6%

Congratulations to Sunflower Class who are our attendance award winners this week! We award a rosette to the winners in assembly each week, and the winning class at the end of the term receives a class prize.

Coming to school on time every day makes a significant difference to how well children achieve at school. Good attendance at school is one of the key indicators of educational success for a child throughout their school life, so make it a priority to get your child to school every day.



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STAR OF THE WEEK



Star of the Week in Bluebell Class is Atilla! Atilla is a kind and caring pupil who always uses his lovely manners both inside and outside of the classroom. As well as this, Atilla has been working extremely hard in phonics to use his 'Fred Fingers' to write green words. Splendid job, Atilla!

Star of the Week in Daisy class is Felicia! Felicia has been working very hard in Maths this week. We have been using the iPads in Maths to practise our counting and number recognition. Felicia used the iPad independently and was able to show the class how to complete the activities. Great work, Felicia!



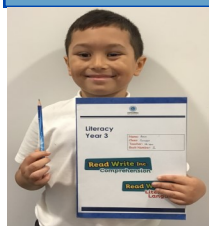
Star of the Week in Sunflower Class is Viaan! We have been learning about 3D shapes and learning to spot these in different places. Viaan did a super job of identifying and naming a variety of 3D shapes in class. He also always shows excellent behaviour at all times. Well done, Viaan!

Star of the Week in Poppy Class is Chimamanda! Chimamanda always sets a good example for Poppy class during the Christmas performance rehearsals. She sings all the words clearly, stood still and smiled whilst performing. Great job, Chimamanda!

Star of the Week in Carnation Class is Ayush! Ayush has been consistently working hard in his maths lessons. Ayush has shown great enthusiasm in class and continues to make me proud with his speedy times tables. Well done and keep it up, Ayush!



HEADTEACHER AWARDS



The headteacher award this week goes to Adam. Adam has been showing great enthusiasm and participation in lesson. Adam has written a fantastic play-script about the 'Tune of Lies' in his Literacy lessons. I am so proud of Adam's continued hard work and improvement. Well done Adam, Keep it up!

ABSENCES

With the weather being much colder and the inevitable onset of bugs and illnesses to contend with, we would like to remind parents:

- All absences must be phoned in to the main office by 8.50am.
- Any absence over 5 days will need supporting medical evidence e.g. a doctor's note
- It is important that all children return to school as soon as they are well enough. You are able to view the NHS guidelines for most illnesses by following the link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



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ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS WORKSHOP



On Monday, all year groups were lucky enough to have a visit from an animal encounters workshop and were able to see, hold, and even touch a variety of animals!

They all enjoyed the workshop immensely and were all very brave, especially when faced with animals they originally thought were very scary!

All year groups were an asset to the school and really impressed the workshop leaders with how sensible they were during the session.



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