

'Striving for Excellence'
Headteacher: Mrs D. Dack

NEWSLETTER 5

JANUARY 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and we hope you all enjoyed the holidays.

Mrs Dack

CHRISTMAS FETE

We had a wonderful time at the Christmas Fete. We would like to thank everybody on the PTA committee who worked very hard to ensure the children all had a great time. The total amount raised for all Christmas activities and events was £5988.72. Thank you to all of you who have donated over the last year.

ART DAYS -THURSDAY 9TH AND FRIDAY 10TH JANUARY 2023

As we return to school after the break all classes will be studying the painting below by the French artist Pierre Renoir. This is entitled "Umbrellas".

Each class will use different media and art skills to develop their own art pieces inspired by the painting.



YEAR 3 CAROL SERVICE

Year 3 sang the Christmas carols so beautifully on Friday 9th December to parents/carers on Thursday 8th December to the whole school.

YEAR 3 VIKING AND YEAR 5 GREEK DAYS

These re-enactment days were very successful learning experiences for the children. Thank you for providing the costumes.

YEAR 2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

Year 2's Christmas production was performed amazingly by all the children at both performances. Thank you for your help with costumes and props.

FOUNDATION & YEAR 1

Both Foundation and Year 1 all looked lovely in their nativity costumes.

PARKING & SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN

Please do not park on double yellow lines, on the corners of the road or across neighbour's driveways. Also do not stop your car outside the school and allow children to get out on the road. We would also request that all children are supervised while arriving and leaving school. It is very busy with traffic at these times and therefore the roads are very dangerous.

LOST PROPERTY

Please can we ask that your child's name is on all their items. On a daily basis we have lost property handed into office and we are able to return the items directly back to children if they are named. We already have jumpers, cardigans and tupperware that we have been unable to return as they have no name. If you are missing items, please can we ask that you call in to the reception to look in the lost property.

CITIZENS OF THE TERM

The following pupils have been awarded Citizen of the Term by their classmates and teacher. This is for being a good role model to others and excelling over the Autumn term.

6S Daisy, 6K Charlotte L, 5PA Lily P, 5P Layla, 4S Rose, 4P Luke, 3W Tilly, 3A Eleanor, 2W Austin, 2N George, 1S Harriet, 1Q Olivia, F1 Oliver, F2 Amber, F3 Teddy.

HOW MANY DAYS OFF?

Regular absence has a big impact on your child's overall attendance levels.

100% Attendance = 0 days off

95% Attendance = 10 days off

90% Attendance = 20 days off

85% Attendance = 30 days off

80% Attendance = 40 days off



Below 90% Unsatisfactory

91—95% Cause for concern

96—98% Good

99—100% Excellent

Highest attendance trophies for the Autumn term went to 4P in KS2 and 2W in KS1.

READING

During the Spring term 2023 we will be focusing on reading for pleasure and encouraging pupils to use our new library. Pupils will also have opportunities to hear from authors and story tellers. Please try to read with your child for a short time each day as research shows this has a very positive effect on the fluency of reading and continuing to read for enjoyment as an adult. Please record this in your child's reading diary.

DRESS AS A WORD

As costumes for World Book Day can be expensive and/or time-consuming to make, this year we are asking pupils to come to school 'dressed as a word' in celebration of World Book Day. Children can choose any word (adjectives are easier) and come to school either:

1) **dressed as a character from a book and wearing their word card** which describes that character (for example, dressing as Harry Potter and describing yourself as determined or heroic); **or**

2) **dressed in a way which explains their word** (for example, dressing messily and describing yourself as messy or dishevelled).

World Book day this year falls on Thursday 2nd March.



MRS CRAVEN'S AFTER SCHOOL & LUNCHTIME SPORTS CLUBS

Mrs Craven will resume after school clubs the week commencing 9th January 2023. We have used the Parent App this term for parents to register their child for a place in the clubs. If your child was unsuccessful, they will be placed on a waiting list and you will be informed if a place becomes available via the Parent App.

We would like to remind parents that the school's behaviour policy applies to these clubs.

	<u>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</u>
	SPRING TERM 2023
5th January	Pupils back to school - Art week
9th January	Clubs and Swimming resume
25th January	2 Johns E-safety talk for parents and pupils
13th –17th February	HALF TERM
20th February	Pupils back to school
21st February	Pancake races - bring your own frying pan and pancake
25th February	PTA magic night
27th February	Book Week
2nd March	World Book Day—dressing up
14th & 15th March	Mothers' Day PTA stalls
27th & 28th March	PARENT/CARER BOOK LOOKS Come and look at your child's learning: Monday 27th March 3.15-4.15pm Tuesday 28th March 3.15-4.15pm
29th & 30th March	PARENT/CARER CONSULTATIONS – School Cloud Wednesday 29th March 3.15– 6.00pm Thursday 30th March 3.15– 6.00pm
3rd April - 14th April	Easter Holidays
17th April	Inset Day—No pupils
18th April	Pupils back to school

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Parents and carers are invited to see their child's learning at the following class assemblies. They commence at 2.40pm in the Viking Hall. Younger siblings are welcome but need to be quiet!

4S - Thursday 19 January 2023

4P - Thursday 26 January 2023

3A - Thursday 2 February 2023

3W - Thursday 9 February 2023

2N - Thursday 2 March 2023

2W - Thursday 9 March 2023

1Q - Thursday 16 March 2023

1S - Thursday 23 March 2023