



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 10th February 2023

Message from the Headteacher

As we end this term we are already half-way through this academic year! I would like to thank all families for their support and the children and staff for their hard work.

World Book Day

We are looking forward to celebrating this year's World Book Day. This is scheduled for 2nd March; this may be moved to the following day depending on scheduled NEU strike action. In the meantime, do please look at the letter sent out with details about dressing up. We are strengthening our work on specific texts in each year group by asking all the children in each class to dress as a character from their chosen class text. We are letting you know this side of half term in case you would like to spend some of the school holiday thinking about this with your child.

Safer Internet Day

We celebrated Safer Internet Day on Tuesday with this year's theme 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'. Mr Oliver led an assembly sharing the learning classes had undertaken during the day.



Some useful links that you may find helpful in supporting your child online are:

- Advice for parents and carers from [Childnet \(Parents & carers | Childnet\)](#)
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from [Common Sense Media \(commonsense.org\)](#)
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from [Internet Matters \(internetmatters.org/controls\)](#)
- Information and reporting of online grooming or sexual abuse from [CEOP \(ceop.police.uk\)](#)

Pancake Day

Mr Oliver will be leading us all on Tuesday 21st February with his annual pancake extravaganza! Pancakes will be served to all classes during the day followed by team pancake races in the afternoon! As Class 5 will be swimming on Tuesday afternoon their races will take place on Wednesday. I am sure it will all be 'flipping great'!

Wishing you all a good half term break and looking forward to seeing you back at school for the beginning of Term 4 on Monday 20th February.

Have a lovely weekend.

Helen Comfort - Executive Headteacher

Message from Class 1

In English this week, Year 1 have been working to build their sentence writing skills. We have been making simple sentences, unscrambling sentences and even building sentences with the joining word 'and'. We have seen some very impressive writing. In Maths, we have been learning and practicing our numbers up to 20. We have been studying the number line and finding numbers that are 'one more' and 'one less'. We have been looking at number bonds to help us to add and subtract quickly. Super maths skills from you all year 1, congratulations.

In Science, our learning is about materials. We have been identifying and grouping different materials and learning about their properties. We carried out a simple test to see which paper towel is the most absorbent and we are testing out which materials would make the best umbrella. We think science is fun and love investigating to find out more about the world around us.

Happy end of term from us all in Year 1, have a super half term and thank you for supporting our learning journey this year.

Mrs Hoile and Miss Moloney





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Year 5 Enterprise

On the first week back of term 4 the children in year 5 will be busy becoming entrepreneurs! The children will be working to design and create gifts which they will sell to all classes across the school during break times on **Friday 24th February**. Gifts will range in price from between 50p to £2.

The purpose of Enterprise Week is to teach the children about creating a business as well as how to manage their budget and profit. Of the monies raised, half will be donated to a charity of the children's choice while the other half will be spent on a treat for the class.

If your child wishes to bring in some money to spend on Friday, please ensure it is in a named purse or wallet. The children will be making enough items so that there is enough for each child to purchase something should they wish.

Thank you
Mr Oliver

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 20th February 2023

Monday, 20th February

- **Start of term 4 – Pupils return to school**
- **Class 4 Forest School sessions all week** – please see letter for details.

Tuesday, 21st February

- **Class 5 Swimming** - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.

Wednesday, 22nd February

- **PTFA Movie Night** – children to be collected from movie night at 4:45pm

Friday, 24th February

- **Class 4 deadline** to return Bewl Water residential trip initial interest form

Coronavirus Symptoms

On Tuesday 29 March 2022, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the next steps for living with COVID-19 in England from Friday 1 April 2022.

Updated guidance

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. Children and young people with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days (day of positive test is day 0), which is when they are most infectious.

Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days (day of positive test is day 0), which is when they are most infectious.

Lunch menu: Week 1

w/c Monday, 20th February 2023

£2.41 per day

[October-2022-Menu.pdf](https://www.wholeschoolmeals.co.uk/October-2022-Menu.pdf)
([wholeschoolmeals.co.uk](https://www.wholeschoolmeals.co.uk))

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

<https://www.parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm>





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Attendance

Whole School attendance

6th to 10th February

97.4%



Whole School attendance

September to date

94.7%

Birthdays

Happy birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday in February.

Matilda	Year 5
Charlotte	Year 4
William	Year 3
Ruby	Year 5
Finley	Year 5
Harrison	Year 1
Dudley	Year 3
Harry	Year R
Anastasia	Year 5
Thomas	Year 6
Rafael	Year 1
Tommy	Year 5
Sophia	Year 1
William	Year 4



Star Awards

w/e 10th February 2023

Class 1 – Luna-Rose

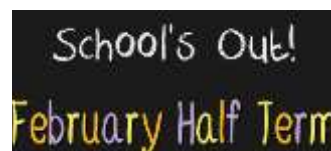
Class 2 – Madison

Class 3 – Annabelle

Class 4 – Noah & Oleksandr

Class 5 - Veronika

Class 6 - Sammy



We wish you all a good half term holiday and look forward to seeing you back at school on **Monday, 20th February.**

