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Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

Friday 9th February 2018

As we end another half term, there are so many wonderful things to reflect on this year already. Every day the children continue to work extremely hard and make fantastic progress. I hope you all enjoy a fun filled and safe half term break and I look forward to seeing you all when school re-opens on Monday 19th February.

Parent meetings

Thank you to all those who attended the Year 1 Phonics and Year 6 SATs parent meetings. If you couldn't make these meetings and would like to know what was discussed, please do make an appointment with your class teacher.

Internet Safety Day

Tuesday was Internet Safety Day. It was a great opportunity to really emphasise the importance of how to stay safe online and what to do if you feel unsure about any online activity. The day started with a fantastic assembly that was planned by Miss Hewes and our Digital Leaders, and then the children spent the rest of the day developing their understanding of being safe online.

Class Assemblies

On Wednesday, Mrs Daley's class kicked off the first of our Class assemblies. It was great to see so many parents queue out in the cold to stay and see what 4D have been learning. Please note the change in date of our next assembly, which is Mrs Gawthorp's (2G) on Wednesday 28th February. 1R's assembly will now be held on Wednesday 9th May.

Whole Class Reward afternoon

As you already know, our positive behaviour system is based around each child earning house points. This contributes to a whole school reward when our brick bucket is filled. You may remember that last time our children enjoyed a carnival afternoon. This time, the children enjoyed being scientists, working alongside different year groups to conduct a variety of experiments. From making lava lamps to rainbow gel and sticky slime, we all had a great afternoon celebrating our children's fantastic behaviour. Thank you to the student council for suggesting such a fun event and to Miss Law and Miss Williams for organising it.

Breakfast Club

May I remind parents of children attending breakfast club that they need to be signed in on the register. Parents should remain in the reception area rather than escorting their children to the cloakrooms.

Key Dates

Fri 9th Feb – Break up for half term
Mon 19th Feb – Return to school
Tue 20th Feb – SENCO meetings
Thur 1st Mar – World Book Day
Tue 20th Mar – Parents Evening
Wed 21st Mar – Parents Evening
Wed 28th Mar – Break up for Easter
Thur 29th Mar – Inset Day
Mon 16th April – Return to school
Thur 3rd May – Nursery Closed
Mon 7th May – KS1 SATs throughout week
Mon 14th May – KS2 SATs
Mon 21st May – KS1 SATs throughout week
Mon 21st May – Class group photos
Fri 25th May – Wear Blue non-uniform day
Fri 25th May – Last day at school
Mon 4th June – Inset Day
Tuesday 5th June – Return to school

Attendance

Attendance really matters! If a child is not in school then they are missing out on important learning opportunities. **Our aim is to have a whole class attendance of above 96%.** If your child is ill and unable to attend school, please ensure you inform the office. Minor ailments can be managed in school with the support of the school nurse.

Our weekly attendance is:

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RBM	94.67	4D	96.43
RW	97.59	4M	94.07
1C	93.45	5A	98.56
1OB	95.52	5W	94.83
2B	99.33	6L	98.93
2G	95.33	6OT	90.00
3S	97.62	Whole School total	95.61
3W	92.64	Cumulative total	95.09

Well done to all of those children who were here every day!



Celebration



Each and every lesson our children wow us! They work so hard and demonstrate the best attitude to their learning. However, some catch the eye of their teachers and have been chosen for the pupil of the week award! Well done to the children chosen in the grid below!

Class	Child of the week!
RBM	Kieran Hartland
RW	Tommy Bateman
1C	Lily Dyson
1OB	Kaiden Hirst
2B	Ella Dunn
2G	Morgan Hopkins
3S	George Butler
3W	Ruby Willoughby
4D	Lexi Dougan
4M	Phoebe Blackburn
5A	Olivia Cumming
5W	Sophie Evans
6L	Elisha Bird
6OT	Laeton Green

Thank you for your continued support!

Mr James Parkinson – Head of School