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Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

Friday 15th February 2019

We have come to the end of Spring 1 half term and the children have worked incredibly hard for the last six weeks! I hope you have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 25th February.

Year 5 Fire Safety

Earlier this week, West Yorkshire Fire Service visited Year 5 to talk to the children about the importance of fire safety. The children learnt about what to do in the event of a fire, and the role of the Fire Service. We thank WYFS for their visit and look forward to the next one.

Road Safety

The Wakefield Council Road Safety Team joined classes from both KS1 and KS2 this week. Year 2's session was 'Be Bright – Be Seen!' and Year 3's session was 'Pedestrian Safety'. Both year groups learnt how to keep safe when walking along the roadside and the rules of crossing the road safely. The Road Safety Team have been inspecting the area around Halfpenny Lane recently and we appreciate their support.

Class Assemblies

Over the last couple of weeks, Year 2 have been sharing their most recent learning in their Class Assemblies. Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend. I know the children really enjoyed sharing their learning with you and I look forward to the other classes throughout school doing the same.

Morning Drop Off

Please can I ask that parents refrain from walking into school after the children have entered the building on a morning. If you need to remind your child about something or pass on a message, the adults at the door will convey this to your child. If you require a longer conversation regarding your child, can I ask that you make an appointment to speak with the teacher at a more convenient time.

World Book Day 2019

Thursday 7th March is World Book Day. On this day, we invite children to come dressed as a character from a book and we shall spend the day learning about different well-known books and authors. I know the staff are already looking forward to dressing up in their outfits. You will receive more information in a separate letter sent home today.

Red Nose Day 'Comic Relief' 2019

On Friday 15th March, Halfpenny will be taking part in Comic Relief's Red Nose Day. Children are encouraged to wear red (and/or a red nose) in exchange for a £1 donation. All proceeds will be donated to Comic Relief.

Key Dates

Fri 15th Feb – Break up for half term
Mon 25th Feb – Return to School
Mon 4th Mar – Year 4 Magna trip
Wed 6th Mar – 1W Class Assembly
Thur 7th Mar – World Book Day
Mon 11th Mar – Reception Lion Learners visit
Wed 13th Mar – 1S Class Assembly
Thur 14th Mar – Book Bus
Fri 15th Mar – Red Nose Day
w/c 18th Mar & 25th Mar – Yr5 Bikeability
Wed 20th Mar – 5H Class Assembly
Tue 26th Mar – Parents Evening
Wed 27th Mar – 5W Class Assembly
Wed 27th Mar – Parents Evening

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 %
RB	96.55	4A	97.14
RBM	92.67	4B	92.86
1S	95.00	5H	97.59
1W	97.93	5W	93.81
2M	94.67	6D	98.93
2T	96.33	6OT	98.62
3G	97.67	Whole School total	96.11
3W	95.99	Cumulative total	95.88

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



Celebration



In every single 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 this week!

Class	Child of the week!	Class	Child of the week!
RB	Luna L	3W	Maisie B
RBM	Lennon D	4A	Ozzy C
1S	Holly B	4B	Lulu R
1W	Harry N	5H	Emma O
2M	Logan E	5W	Lilly H
2T	Izabella C	6D	Lexi C
3G	Logan W	6OT	Jack W

Thank you for your continued support!

Mr James Parkinson – Head of School