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# Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

## Newsletter

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019

I can't believe we have come to the end of March! 2019 seems to be flying by with lots of great things happening throughout school!

### Parent Consultations

Thank you to everyone who came to school on Tuesday or Wednesday to find out about the progress and learning attitudes of your children. As the education of our children is a joint enterprise between parents and schools we are always keen to share how they are learning in school and how you can help further. If you missed your meeting, please ensure you make an appointment to meet your child's class teacher.

### Great British Clean Up

As part of a national strategy to clean up our local area, some Year 5 children have been working with Wakefield District Housing to collect litter in and around our locality. The children enjoyed working with Mrs Evans on this scheme.

### Year 5 Bikeability

Our Year 5 children have completed their Bikeability course. The children have been learning how to cycle safely around the local area. The feedback from the Bikeability tutors was positive and all the children were eager to improve their cycling safety.

### After School Clubs

Yesterday we sent letters home with children in Years 1 to 6 detailing the After School Clubs for Summer Term. Please remember these clubs are for the whole term and must be booked online through ParentPay. The booking window will open at noon on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April and will remain open until all places are booked.

### Year 2 SATS Meeting

Year 2 will be sitting their Key Stage 1 statutory tests throughout May. We are holding a meeting on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 5pm for all Year 2 parents. Please come along to find out what will happen during the tests and to see how you can help your child with their final preparations.

### Easter Egg Competition

Don't forget the closing date for competition entries is Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April. Please print name and class clearly on the entry form. There will be chocolate prizes for two lucky winners in each class, with the winners announced on the last day of term.

### Easter Holiday

We break up for our Easter holiday on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April and the children return on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

### 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.

### Key Dates

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> April – Last day at school

Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Return to school

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> May – Yr2 SATs week

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> May – Yr6 SATs week

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> May – Yr2 SATs week

**Please remember** that children should be at their class doors by 8:50am. If you arrive later, the gates are locked at 9:00am so you will need to sign your child in at the School Office.

**Our weekly attendance is:**

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	98.00	4A	96.21
RBM	95.17	4B	95.71
1S	96.33	5H	97.93
1W	93.10	5W	96.00
2M	74.83	6D	98.21
2T	96.00	6OT	96.55
3G	95.33	Whole School total	94.35
3W	92.00	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	Caitlyn L	3W	Branden K
RBM	Evie-Leigh V	4A	Jenson J
1S	Tommy S	4B	Ruby A
1W	Izzy D	5H	Indie S
2M	Skye D	5W	Holly W
2T	Jake R	6D	Amy F
3G	Elliott C	6OT	Blake W

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**Mr James Parkinson – Head of School**