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Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

Friday 3rd May 2019

It has been a great week with lots of learning activities taking place. I hope you are all looking forward to another long bank holiday weekend and we shall see you when we return to school on Tuesday 7th May.

Year 4 Tag Rugby Competition

On Tuesday, a group of Year 4 children took part in the Pontefract Academies Trust Tag Rugby tournament. The children worked together as a team and played exceptionally well. I am proud to say that Halfpenny Lane came back the victors! Well done to all the children from the Trust Schools who took part!

Reception Educational Visit

RBM class have enjoyed their visit to the library earlier this week. The behaviour of all the children was exceptional and it was nice to hear how the children enjoyed spending time at the Library.

Year 2 and Year 6 SATs

Next week brings the start to the National Statutory Tests (SAT's) for our Year 2 children followed by the Year 6 tests the following week. The children have worked immensely hard throughout the year by preparing for these tests. We would encourage parents to support their child by:

- Ensuring your child has early nights and plenty of sleep
- Being positive and encouraging your child
- Ensuring they arrive at school on time
- Reading with your child every day at home
- Providing healthy, balanced meals with plenty of fruit and veg

Inset Day

We would like to remind you that there will be a whole school closure on Monday 3rd June as this is a staff inset day.

Letters Issued this Week

03/05/19 - Reception Learning Letter

Please remember that letters are now only emailed through ParentPay. Please register if you haven't already. If you require a paper version, please ask at the School Office. All letters can be found on the website.

Key Dates

Mon 6th May – School closed – Bank Holiday
Tues 7th May – Yr2 SATs week
Mon 13th May – Yr6 SATs week
Mon 20th May – Yr2 SATs week
Mon 20th May – Class Photos
Thur 23rd May – Nursery closed – EU elections
Fri 24th May – Last day at school
Tue 4th 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 first aiders in school.

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	90.00	4A	100.00
RBM	93.00	4B	96.07
1S	95.67	5H	96.54
1W	95.52	5W	99.33
2M	97.00	6D	96.43
2T	97.04	6OT	97.24
3G	95.00	Whole School total	95.98
3W	95.00	Cumulative total	95.85

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	Alfie T	3W	Maycee D
RBM	Millie EH	4A	Lexi M
1S	Jayne M	4B	Matiss S
1W	Spencer R	5H	Joe T
2M	Julian K	5W	Emily H
2T	Jazmin T	6D	Avineet K
3G	Ruby S	6OT	Max B

Thank you for your continued support!

Mr James Parkinson – Head of School