



Friday 3rd February 2017
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Dear Parents and Children

This is newsletter number 19! Since there are 39 newsletters a year, corresponding to the number of school weeks for children, this means that we are almost exactly half way through this school year, which is simply unbelievable! Time just marches on!

Attendance

Our attendance is, quite simply, up and down like a yoyo at the moment. Just when I think that bugs are subsiding, we are hit by yet another wave of illness! When will it all end? However, people continue to struggle in, as the percentages below show. Fingers crossed, again, for improved health to all!

Weekly Attendance	Class
EYFS Highest	RM - 98.8%
KS1 Highest	2K - 97.4%
LKS2 Highest	3C - 97.9%
UKS2 Highest	5B - 97.3%
Whole school	97.5%

Head's Classes of the Week

Well done to the classes below for achieving the largest number of ATL points last week.

EYFS	RK
KS1	2L
LKS2	3C
UKS2	5K

Winners of the Weekly ATL Cup

Well done to the children below for winning the individual ATL cups for earning lots of points last week. For the first time since this began, we had a three way, equal split, in LKS2!

KS1	Shaan R, 2L
LKS2	Joshua, 3B, Kieran and Jessica, 3C
UKS2	Ethan T, 6W

Google Expeditions

Last Tuesday, children from Year 2 to Year 6 were treated to a virtual reality experience from Google



Expeditions. The children used cardboard viewers with a smartphone inside. They were led on their expedition by their teacher who had control via a tablet. The teachers were able to guide the children, asking them questions and giving them interesting facts along the way. The children were able to see the images in 360° giving them a very personal experience. They 'visited' museums in Melbourne, Berlin and Chicago, went into space to explore the solar system and even took a journey to the inside the human body! The children really enjoyed their experience. We hope to be able to offer this again in the future to further inspire our children's learning.

Class Assemblies



Children from Mrs Macrae's class, 2M, led us through an exciting assembly all about the poet Robert Burns. This was beautifully presented and clearly very much enjoyed by all of the children. Very well done indeed to Mrs Macrae and the children.

Later in the day, Mrs Johnson's Year 6 class

took us on a very interesting journey regarding equality over time. This was very



thoughtful and very sensitively shared. Well done again to the children and staff.

Head's Fish and Chip Quiz Night

This was an extremely enjoyable, and, sometimes, quite lively event! The winning place was shared between two teams; the final four positions were split by only one point between each team. Mr Rose had received generous donations from a number of our sponsors, with a 'street' value of just over £1000! Through a raffle, an auction, the infamous 'Heads and Tails' and the entry fee, minus the cost of the chips, an amazing £807 was raised in total from this single event. Many thanks to you all for attending, to all those who helped on the night and to Mrs Brown and Mr Ireland for the questions.

Dad's Scalextric

This term's event is next Friday, 10th February. Booking is open now through ParentPay. Let the race commence!

KS2 Playground

The gate onto the KS2 playground is being blocked by children and adults gathering to talk, making arrival and departure times tricky. We have asked all children to move seamlessly through the gates to ensure free-flow. Could parents do the same please? Many thanks for your help.

Parents Evening

Booking for parents' evenings of 13th and 14th February will be available next week. We will email out to let you know when booking is open.

Have a great weekend
GT Burgess

Robin's Stars of the Week

Oscar M, RC

Rupert F & Walter H, RW

Noah S, RM

Layla P-R, RK

Writers of the Week

Matthew M, RM
Harry B, 1H

Joseph S, RW
Alex H, 1S

Layla P-R & Spencer C, RK
Amelia D, 1R

Rupert W & Oscar M, RC
Miley D, 1D

Maths Wizards

Chloe W, 1R

George W, 1H

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Elliott J, 1D

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Nelson S, 1S
Sofia L, 1R
Jagger P, 1H
James L, 1D

Aimee L, 2K
Josh B, 2L
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Emily S, 3D
Dylan S, 3D
Jessica L, 3C
Emilia W, 3B

Louis J, 4C
Gabriella H, 4A
Ben S, 4W

Molly W, 5M
Grace W, 5B
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Anya B, 6P
Clare S, 6J
Ben T, 6W

DIARY DATES ~ Spring 2017

Saturday 4 February	PTA Ball
Friday 10 February	9:05 Class Assembly 2L Dads Scalextric
Monday 13 & Tuesday 14 February	Parents' Evenings
Monday 20 - Friday 24 February	HALF TERM
Monday 27 February	Term Resumes for Pupils and Staff
Friday 3 March	9:05 Class Assembly 1H
W/C Monday 6 March (Not Tuesday 7 March)	Scholastic Week in Atrium
Tuesday 7 March	M&M Theatre Productions visit - Pinocchio 17:30 Phonics Evening for parents
Friday 10 March	9:05 Class Assembly 1D 14:45 Class Assembly 5B
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Friday 17 March	14:45 Class Assembly 5M
Friday 24 March	Mothering Sunday Assembly Disco
Friday 31 March	9:05 Class Assembly 1S 14:45 Class Assembly 5K
Tuesday 4 & Wednesday 5 April	Year 4 Production
Friday 7 April	Easter Bonnet Parade FS and KS1
Friday 7 April	TERM ENDS FOR EASTER HOLIDAY
Monday 24 April	Term Begins for Pupils and Staff
Wednesday 13 April	PTA Meeting
Monday 1 May	Bank Holiday
Friday 5 May	9:05 Class Assembly RC 14:45 Class Assembly 3C
Monday 8 May - Friday 12 May	Key Stage 2 SAT's
Friday 12 May	14:45 Class Assembly 3D
Wednesday 17 May	PTA Meeting



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