24th January 2020

Well Done to Class 1E and 2B who jointly achieved the highest attendance this week!

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery) was 95.28%

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Be In SCHOOL Be On TIME

Can we remind parents that once the gates are open, please ensure your children remain next to you until the class doors open? When it is icy, not only is the playground hazardous, but the play equipment is far too slippy to play on and children could get hurt. Whilst we agree children may need to wear boots to come to school, they do need to bring their school shoes to change into as these form part of their school uniform.

We have begun our Parent Library initiative this week and are offering books for parents to borrow. Although this initiative is in its infancy, we are hoping to build little by little every week. Please come and browse through the books after you have dropped your children off at 8:50am until the gates are locked at 9:10am on Tuesday and/or Thursday. We may have something of interest to you, which you can take home and return after you have read it. We have a range of fiction and non-fiction to whet your appetite!

Dates for your Diary

Every Thursday - SEN Parent Drop-in 2pm
Tue 11/02/20 - Year 1 Reading Workshop for Parents 3:30pm
Wed 12/02/20 - Year 2 Reading Workshop for Parents 3:30pm
Thurs 13/02/20 - Reception Reading Workshop for Parents 3:30pm
Fri 14/02/20 - Nursery Reading Workshop for Parents 9:00am
Fri 14/02/20 - Reception Eye Tests

Mon 17th February 2020 - Friday 21st February 2020 (School Closed for Half Term—5 DAYS)
Tue 03/03/20 - Parent Consultations 3:30pm - 6:00pm
Thurs 05/03/20 - World Book Day
Thurs 12/03/20 - Parent Consultations 3:30pm - 6:00pm
Fri 03/04/20 - Last Day of Spring Term

Please visit website or app for further dates.

To report your child’s absence from School, please call 0121 464 4855 Option 1 or Text 07900 351 202 between 7:30am - 9:00am
Please leave your Child’s name, Class and Reason for absence.
In Reception, the children had a wonderful time as part of their outdoor experiences this week, and made some fantastic artwork using a range of media including beetroot juice, coffee, tea, salt, mud, sand, leaves and autumn coloured paints! I am sure you would agree it would not look out of place in Birmingham Art Gallery.

In Year 2, the children were experimenting how they could make crystals. They used two jam jars and put six teaspoonful of bicarbonate soda in each. A piece of wool was placed from one jar to the other making sure that the wool was amongst the bicarb. They then poured boiling water into each jar. The children waited and watched with anticipation! They were very patient and by the end of the week, it was clear that crystals had grown and travelled along the wool as the water evaporated!

In Year 1, the children had a visit from Day Care’s bearded dragon, ‘Herbie’. They were excited to be able to hold him and learn about reptiles. Day Care staff said “The children were excellent with Herbie and treated him with great care”.

The children are looking forward to more exciting activities next week.

**Star of the Week**

**Nursery:** Keith-Junior for learning all his sounds.
**Class RC:** Jacob for always being so enthusiastic and trying hard with his reading.
**Class RD:** Grace for always being kind, helpful and hardworking.
**Class 1E:** Scarlett for her amazing input about animals on the carpet.
**Class 1S:** Archie for being so much more confident in class discussions!
**Class 2B:** Joshua S for his improvement in his writing.
**Class 2H:** Solomon for showing a good interest in the reading tasks for inference.

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**Lunchtime**

**Class RC:** Bradley
**Class RD:** Layla
**Class 1E:** Rasa
**Class 1S:** Zofia
**Class 2B:** Kacie
**Class 2H:** Jake

**Awards**

**Year One**
- Sophie (Class 1E)

**Year Two**
- Malika (Class 2B)
- Lewis (Class 2H)

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Well done to you all! Please join us in assembly on Monday morning at 9:10am to celebrate your child’s success.

Use the entrance in the playground (next to Year 2 classrooms). Doors will open at approx. 9:00am.