

Hugh's News



25.11.16

100% Attendance Reward!

As a reward for their excellent attendance, twenty-two KS2 children visited Leeds Industrial Museum to take part in the Into Film-Festival. The children had an amazing time watching Chitty Chitty Bang Bang!



We will continue to reward children who achieve 100% attendance. The next treat will take place in January!

Link Books

We have recently re-launched Link Books as these are a useful method of communication between teachers and parents/carers. Please ask to see these books every Friday to inform you about upcoming events and to find out how about your child's attitude and behaviour each week. Thank you for your continued support!

Guitar Lessons

The children had a successful first guitar lesson! Starting out on a musical instrument is never easy but that's part of the learning journey – nothing beats the sound of your first chord being played correctly! Research has shown that learning a musical instrument can increase connections in the brain, enhances coordination and fosters self-expression... as well as releasing stress! There are currently 12 children taking part in Guitar Club, which takes place during Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes. The club will continue in the New Year, with the opportunity for other children to join. Hopefully, some performances will be arranged in the near future, when the children feel confident enough to display their talents.



Upcoming Events:

Monday 28th November/Monday 5th December

Den Building Experiment in LKS2

Friday 2nd December

EYFS Teddy Bear Hospital

Years 1, 2 & 3 School immunisations

Wednesday 7th December

Christmas Fair and end of term Showcase for parents

Thursday 8th December

Year 1 Nativity- refreshments at 9am

Friday 9th December

Christmas Dinner Day

Monday 12th December

Penguin Class Nativity- refreshments at 9am

KS2 Christmas Parties

Tuesday 13th December

Robin Class Nativity- refreshments at 9am

Parrot Class Nativity- refreshments at 2pm

Wednesday 14th December

Year 5 Northern Ballet Workshops

15th December

KS1 Christmas Parties

Year 5 Grand Theatre – Beauty & the Beast

Year 6 SATs Parent coffee morning (9am)

16th December

Attendance Assemblies (9:15 KS1/14:30 KS2)

Christmas Jumper Day- Save the Children

BREAK-UP- For Christmas

KS2 Poetry Competition

Mrs McNulty has re-filled her treat tub and is looking forward to seeing some fantastic learning logs next week!

This week's special task is to write a poem about 'Communication through the generations'.

The winning poets, selected by our friends at DePuy Synthes, will perform their poems at a special event on the 8th December. There will be prizes too!



Let's Celebrate!

CLASS	NAME	COMMENTS
Parrots	Skye Devine-Nana	For trying really hard at carpet times
Penguins	Scarlett Russell-Sheard	For persevering with her hand writing and having a go at writing simple words independently
Robins	Julia Jacyna	For trying really hard with writing and great listening on the carpet
Flamingo	Mason Pierce	For moving around school in silence
Owl	Amelia Rehman	For hard work in literacy and writing wonderful stories
Toucan	Khadija Begum	For working really hard and doing well on her wonderful write
Bluebird	Liam Chipchase	For working hard in Maths and making good progress
Kingfisher	James Firth	For trying really hard in Maths
Swan	Fabian Prendota	For being an excellent role model in Maths
Sandpiper	Tiybah Ishaq	For working hard in Maths lessons
Skylark	Lewis McCall	For trying his very hardest in all of his schoolwork, showing an excellent attitude to his learning and real perseverance
Wren	Onyinyechukwu Mukolu	For having a fantastic attitude to learning all week
Kestrel	Rube Ozelyte	For always doing the right thing and making correct choices
Magpie	Abigail Clough	For her wonderful effort in singing
Nightingale	Aseel Karimi	For being a fantastic role model and times tables superstar
Woodpecker	Madina Laeuschner	For really positive attitude
Goldfinch	Ayesha Khanam	For always doing the right thing
Hummingbird	Gabriele Kaksytc	For increased focus in Maths, which has led to a huge improvement
Eagle	Harley Newsome	For incredible improvement in her spellings
Falcon	Iqra Iqbal	For putting extra effort into her work and doing a piece of writing at home

Last Week's Attendance

Our target is **97%**: Please ensure that children arrive at school **on time** every day.

Class	Last Week's Attendance	Number of Late Marks
Robins	90.0	6
Penguins	91.0	4
Parrots	86.3	3
Flamingo	90.3	1
Toucan	94.4	5
Owl	91.5	2
Swan	94.6	4
Bluebird	93.1	3
Kingfisher	97.4	0
Skylark	91.4	4
Sandpiper	95.2	0
Wren	97.9	3
Kestrel	98.0	5
Nightingale	94.4	4
Magpie	96.7	2
Hummingbird	100	0
Woodpecker	90.8	1
Goldfinch	94.0	0
Falcon	94.4	2
Eagle	99.5	1

Doors will open at **8:40am** and children may come in from that time. Doors will close at **8:50am**.

Reception Cycling Sessions

For the past few weeks, pupils in Parrot and Penguin class have been having lots of fun practising their cycling skills. On Friday mornings, the coaches from FirstStep Sports bring along a set of balance bikes for the children to practice their cycling skills on. After the sessions, the children are always very excited and enthusiastic about what they have learnt. "We go round and round until we get dizzy. It's fun!" Molly, Parrot class. "There are no stabilisers and can I go very fast!" says Isiomachukwu, Parrot class. Pupils in Robin class and Sparrow class will have their turn with the coaches in the Spring term.

'Spotacular' Fundraising

A great big thank you to everyone who has supported our recent fundraising event. We raised the fantastic amount of **£337.58** for Children in Need.



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