

Hugh's News



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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you can see from our list of upcoming events on the right, Christmas is coming! Next Wednesday 7th December, we will be hosting an end of term celebration/ Christmas Fair. Festivities will begin at 2pm and will include mini-performances by some of our wonderful children as well mince pies and hot chocolate for all.

Mrs Padgett (Deputy Headteacher)

School Parliament

On Thursday 20th October Year 2 to 6 took to the ballot box to decide who would be their School Parliament representative.

Each class now has a 'Member of Parliament' who will be responsible for listening to the pupil voice, implementing new strategies and leading assemblies.

In the hall we have a 'suggestion box' so that pupils can share their ideas about school improvement.

The class representatives' first job was to elect a Deputy/Head Boy and Girl.

Head Boy: Kiko Prior

Head Girl: Tian Cai

Deputy Head Boy: Piotr Bogacz

Deputy Head Girl: Ujala Raza

Our aim is to support and encourage the children with finding and sharing the 'pupil voice'.

We know that our 'MPs' will do a fantastic job!



Upcoming Events:

Monday 5th December

Den Building Experiment in LKS2

Wednesday 7th December

Christmas Fair and end of term Showcase for parents

Thursday 8th December

Year 1 Nativity- refreshments at 9am

Year 2 singing assembly - at 2pm

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 (£1 Donation)

Times Tables Rock Stars

This week has seen every KS2 classroom equipped with a life size model of an electric guitar! We hope that this will inspire the children to learn all of their times tables facts and reach the top of the guitar neck... Can your child be top of the pops?

We continue to encourage all children to use *Times Table Rock Stars* both at school and home to aid them in the learning of their key facts. Mr Cairns will be keeping track of the online leader board and ensuring that the top 10 are rewarded and treated as the rock stars they truly are!



Let's Celebrate!

CLASS	NAME	COMMENTS
Parrots	Lily-Mae Driffield	For being a phonics super star
Penguins	Najiha Mohsin	For coming to school with a big smile all week
Robins	Willow Kitchen	For fantastic effort all week
Flamingo	Daisy Simpson	For extra effort in all aspects of class work
Owl	Gabriele Jonikaite	For extra effort in learning the nativity
Toucan	Rinna Obaneki	For trying really hard in everything
Bluebird	Oliver Gekonge	For being sensible when lining up
Kingfisher	Sebastian Wlodarczyk	For trying really hard with his storymap and retelling the story
Swan	Myleigh-Ann Miller	For trying really hard with her behaviour
Sandpiper	Alexander McCabe	For making a massive improvement in class
Skylark	Becky Allen	For having a fabulous attitude towards her learning in Maths
Wren	Ray Patel	For being so positive
Kestrel	Kieran Darley/Filip Pieczarka	For being top floaters
Magpie	Maicen Dearlove	For a huge improvement in Maths
Nightingale	Tyler Kitson-Ward	For an improved attitude to learning and behaviour
Woodpecker	Riley Pierce	For his improved focus and settling down quickly after the transition of class teacher
Goldfinch	Yasmin Bashir	For her excellent effort in literacy
Hummingbird	Wayne Sephton	For improving his reasoning skills
Eagle	Aisha Wharton	For excellent written work about The Jungle Book
Falcon	Penny Mallinson	For improving her focus on her work

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	89.9	9
Penguins	87.2	1
Parrots	90.6	5
Flamingo	92.7	6
Toucan	91.9	6
Owl	95.0	4
Swan	92.1	6
Bluebird	97.8	6
Kingfisher	95.9	2
Skylark	95.3	6
Sandpiper	95.5	2
Wren	95.3	1
Kestrel	96.1	5
Nightingale	93.4	2
Magpie	93.3	3
Hummingbird	100.0	0
Woodpecker	91.3	1
Goldfinch	96.6	2
Falcon	94.8	0
Eagle	98.4	1

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

'Den' Building

On Monday 28th November Year 3 children took part in an exciting Den Building Day! We started in the sports hall, where the children were shown (by our amazing leader Chris) how to make strong shapes out of sticks and plasticine. This included cubes, cuboids and square based pyramids. From this, the children modelled their Den structure before beginning to build outside using long pieces of bamboo and cable ties. The children worked in groups and had an amazing time! The children were all able to construct a stable den and thoroughly enjoyed the process. When asked about the day the children described the experience as "awesome" and "epic".

Parent Reminder

In order to ensure safe and efficient cash transactions, money should be sent to school in a sealed envelope with your child's full name and class.

Money envelopes are now available from the Main Office at a cost of 30p for ten envelopes.



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