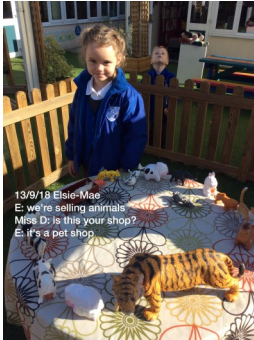




Newsletter 1
24th September 2018

Our amazing school!



13/9/18 Elsie-Mae
E: we're selling animals
Miss D: is this your shop?
E: it's a pet shop

Our new Reception children have settled in beautifully and have been enjoying their first full week of school. We are very proud of all of them! Thank you to all of our parents too for their brilliant support.



12/9/18
The boys used the blocks to make a fire engine, they pretended to put fire out around the garden.



Year 1 had a super time learning about Florence Nightingale in our workshop visit. We got to dress up as soldiers and nurses. We smelt lots of different herbs and soap and we also got to hold lots of different artefacts. We learnt different facts and one of our favourite ones is she was known as the Lady of the Lamp.



In Year 2 we have been looking at the different food groups and the importance of exercise for keeping healthy in our Science work. We enjoyed trying out some different exercise activities to see the effect on our bodies.



School Improvement Update

Attendance

Our attendance for this week is 96.86% - the government target for all schools is 97%. Excellent start to the new term. Well done everyone!

Please keep an eye out for our board which will be in the Playground informing you of the class winner for attendance the previous week and our whole school attendance.

Don't forget if your child is absent please remember to telephone the school and give a reason for the absence and when they are expected to return.

Thank you.

Phone App

Have you downloaded our school app. You can receive latest notifications from the school including school closures, newsletters and day to day information Pop on to the school jotter app and search for our school.

New Notices

- Reminder regarding Scooters and Bikes. Please ensure these are walked through the playground for safety for all. Thank you.
- PTFA AGM is to be held at school on 2nd October at 6.30pm. We have had many replies but only two are attending so far. We will not be able to run a PTFA without your support which will then impact on cost of trips and extra resources for the children. Please come along and support your child's school.

Community news

Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you to everyone for all their support with our Jeans for Genes day on Friday 21st September. The amount raised was an amazing £241.85.

Year 2 Topic

Thank you to Phil from New Gen who kindly gave up his time to speak with our year 2 children about their senses and spices. Phil shared his experiences of India—the children learnt so much!

Violin Taster Sessions

Our violin taster sessions are going really well—our children are creating amazing music! Well done everyone!

We will continue to offer our taster sessions over the next term to ensure Year 1 and 2 all receive a turn.

Thank you to Kent Music and Ms Gaynor for making this happen with us.

Literacy Award

Congratulation to all of our children in Years R,1 & 2 last year—we have just received confirmation of winning the Literacy Mark Award again this year.

Mrs Williams (Year 2 and English lead) will attend a ceremony at Leeds Castle later this term to receive the award on behalf of the school. Well done!!

Day to Day

- Wednesday 26th September—we are fortunate enough to have a free Spanish lesson for all our children. The children will learn songs and key words. Thank you to the parents who entered us in for this special day: School uniform as normal for this day for those who have asked.

- Thank you for attending our meet the teacher event on Tuesday 18th September. We hope you found this useful. Please let us know if you would like any further information to support your child with settling in this term.

MEET YOUR



TEACHER

- Don't forget we still operate our open door policy for any queries or concerns you may have. You can also communicate with us via your child's contact book, email, letter or phone call. Our Family Liaison Officer, Claire Cash, is also available to support you.



- A gentle reminder please can children have their PE kits in school at all times and earrings must be removed on PE days.
- Please could you ensure any uniform is labelled so if it is lost we can return it to your child. Thank you!

- As the weather starts to change please ensure your child brings a coat to school as playtimes are chilly!!



- Have a look at the calendar dates on our school website—the diary dates for the year are also available on Newsletter 16 2017.18



- Friday open door, although only run so far for 2 weeks, has not run as successfully as we had hoped. Therefore we are not going to run it until further notice.

Diary Dates

Term 1

- 24.9.18 Clubs begin
- 26.9.18 Spanish Day
Year R coffee morning 9 - 10am
- 28.9.18 Year 2 MacMillan Coffee morning 9.30am
- 2.10.18 Year 2 Gurdwara visit
- 3.10.18 Year 2 Gurdwara visit
- 11.10.18 Individual photos
- 12.10.18 Exhibition Event
- 15.10.18 Harvest - Year 2 9.15am
- 16.10.18 Harvest Year 1 9.15am
- 17.10.18 Harvest Year R 2.45pm End of Term
- 18.10.18 Staff Development Day
- 19.10.18 Staff Development Day



Many congratulations to our class winner this week for the best attendance :

Whole School attendance: 96.86%
Whole school target: 97%

Year R: 94.07%
Year 1: 95.15%
Year 2: 95.65%



Week beginning : 10/09
Attendance: Class 4—100%

Week beginning: 17/09
Attendance: Class 4—100%