



February 2024

Reading time with Dottie!



Attendance (January)

Year 6 – 95%

Year 5 – 94%

Year 4 – 91%

Year 3 – 96%

Year 2 – 93%

Year 1 – 93%

Reception – 85%

Well done to Year 3 !

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you had a relaxing break. As we approach the second half of the academic year, it is lovely to enjoy the longer days and (hopefully) warmer weather! This half term, we welcome back Mrs Lorenz, who has returned from her maternity leave. She is currently teaching Year 4 for two days a week and will then take Year 4 full time after Easter. Please do take the time to say hello to her!

As you are aware, we are currently taking part in Fizz-free February, and we are now nearing towards the end of it. A big well done to all children and staff (including me!) who have gone for this length of time without a fizzy drink. Please do consider ways in which you can encourage your child to cut down on their intake of fizzy drinks, as they are full of hidden sugar.

Thank you also for your support with the food policy we have introduced. We now have far fewer children bringing in packed lunches, with nearly every child in the school now enjoying a hot, nutritious school lunch. Do remember – school lunches are free for **all primary school children**.

Warmest wishes

Julie Ireland

PICTURES OF THE MONTH

As always, we have had so much fun already this term! Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed visits out – Year 1 had a great time at Battersea Park and Year 2 experienced what life is like as a firefighter! Year 3 have enjoyed being scientists and observing different soils. Early years loved recreating the 63 bus in their very own classroom! Year 6 have enjoyed their art topic on activism in art and created powerful and inspiring art work.



Parents' Evening

On Thursday 14th March, we will be holding Parents' Evening. This gives you the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and review the progress your child has made so far this year, and discuss ways in which you can support your child's learning at home. You will be able to make appointments for this from Monday 4th March – please call the office. Appointment times will run from 2pm with the last appointment at 5.50p.m, and each appointment will last 10 minutes. Please ensure that you are punctual for your appointment as the teachers will be running to a very tight schedule, and if you are late, you may end up missing your appointment.

After school club

As you are aware, we have outsourced our after school club provision to Ultimate Sports club. If you wish for your child to attend, you **must** fill out the form which was sent out via email, as after school club provision will no longer be the school's responsibility. This is separate to after school clubs which school does provide (such as football, cooking, music etc.) These are still ran by the school, and there have been no changes to these.

World Book Day

Our favourite time of year is soon approaching! Please note our world book day is on **Tuesday 5th March** (which is slightly earlier than the official world book day.) On that day, we invite children to dress as a book character and we will be giving prizes to the best dressed book character in each class. Please do not feel the need to buy a costume for this – there are plenty of good ideas for making costumes on the internet. We are also running a 'book in the hat' competition and Mr Gibbs has sent some ideas to inspire you with this. Please can all hats be handed in by Friday 1st March so we can display them for world book day. I also hope that you are able to join us for our big book breakfast on Tuesday 5th March from 8.30-9.00.

Dates for your diary

Year 5 swimming every Monday afternoon

Tuesday 5th March	-	World book day
Friday 8th March	-	Girls football workshop in school all day
Monday 11 th March	-	Year 3 London Zoo Learning
Thursday 14th March	-	Parents evening from 2pm
Friday 15th March	-	Comic Relief
21st-28th March	-	Book fair
Thursday 28th March	-	Easter bonnet parade