

Friday 14th February 2020 - Issue 21

Attendance

Each week we offer a good attendance prize of £5! To be eligible to win an attendance prize, children must have 100% attendance for the **last 4 weeks** and their overall attendance for the year cannot be less than 95%

The winner of the £5 last week was Poppy in Year 1. The Ipad was won by Brandon in Year 3 and Hudda in Year 5.

Overall our attendance this week was 96.3%
Our target this year is 96.0%.

The Class with the best attendance this week was:

Class 4	—	96.2%
Class 2	—	90.0%
Class 3	—	100%
Class 4	—	91.5%
Class 5	—	96.0%
Class 6	—	96.6%
Class 7	—	98.1%
Class 8	—	97.6%
Class 9	—	95.9%
Class 10	—	94.7%
Class 11	—	96.8%
Class 12	—	99.3%
Class 13	—	97.3%
Class 14	—	97.6%
Class 15	—	97.6%

Reward Certificates - What Have You Done Today to Make You Feel Proud?

This week the following children have received praise for doing something they can be very proud of!

Class 6: Leah, Millar

Class 7: Bentley, Zeeshan, Oliver, JJ, Ali Akbar

Class 9: Pasha

Class 10: Javeria, Shayla, Aanya

Class 11: Sophia, Lucie

Class 13: Sanaa, Roxanne

Well done to you all!

News

Half Term Holiday

We break up today for the half term holiday. School re-opens on **Monday 24th February**. However, school will be closed for the children on **Friday 28th February** for a staff training day.

After the half term holiday in school

Each week we share with you some of the fantastic things that the children will be doing across the School:

- Year 6 will be looking at the famous Route 66 in America. This is part of a geography unit, learning about North

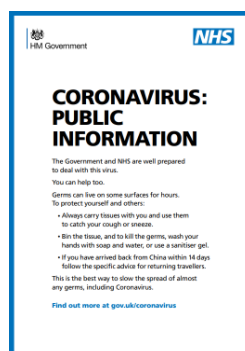
America. In maths we will be learning how to use co-ordinates to plot and find shapes on a grid.

- Year 5 will be beginning a mini-adventure about the Vikings. In maths, we will be learning about decimal numbers.
- Year 4 will be continuing with addition and subtraction and are starting their next mini adventure
- Year 3 will be starting a new mini adventure where we will be being geologists. We are also learning about different ways to solve real life maths problems. Don't forget to read over the holidays and fill in your logs.
- Year 2 may receive a surprise communication from the zoo. They are going to learn all about meerkats and their travels.
- Year 1 will be exploring what lives in our seas and oceans and what we can do to protect them. We will also be looking at a new book, The Rainbow Fish, and considering how we can share with our friends just like Rainbow Fish did.
- Reception will be beginning our new mini-adventure - Farms. We will be reading the story of The Three Little Pigs and having a reading and media and materials focus in our activities.
- Nursery will be learning all about animals. The role play in the classroom has changed to jungle and we will be learning about animals that live there. We are also hoping to get an animal person to come into school to show the children which animals they have and how they look after them.



Sport Relief

We will be raising money for Sport Relief again this year. Full details will be in the first newsletter after the half term holiday



Year 5 Science Fayre

Our Year 5 children ran a science fayre in school this week.



"On Wednesday, Year 5 produced an amazing Science Fayre to share their knowledge of different materials. They showed their parents a number of different

experiments including investigating dissolving and finding best insulator to keep the BFG's frobscottle warm. The parents were really entertained!" - Omario and Sabah



Year 4 Egypt Exhibition

It was great to see so many parents at Year 4's Egypt exhibition this morning.



"We wanted to share the artefacts we found in the playground with our families. We found out they were from Egypt. We wanted to teach our mums and dads all about Ancient Egypt." Lucie and Nafisa

Playground Issues

Some parents may have seen an incident involving some Bluecoat Academy children in the playground after school on Wednesday. I would like to thank the parents who intervened and reassure everyone that the incident was reported to the Academy and they will deal with those concerned.

Messy Church

St Luke's Church in Selbourne Street WS1 2JN have their Messy Church on Sunday 16th February from 4.00pm – 5.45pm. The theme will be 'Following Jesus' the story of his first followers. Come and enjoy a story, activities and games. £1 entry including a simple meal. Messy Church is a time of Fun, Faith and Family for children and their carers. All welcome.

Reminders

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day in school on **Thursday 5th March 2020** (Not Friday 6th March as previously stated).

We would like the children to dress up like a character from one of the books they have been reading in their class this school year. Please be as imaginative as you can but don't feel you need to spend a lot of money!! The books are:

Class	Book/Theme
Nursery and Reception	Children can come as their favourite character from their favourite story.
Year 1	Characters from Traditional Tales
Year 2 & 3	Pyjamas! (Parents are invited to come into school and share story time between 8:45am and 9:10 or 2:45 – 3:10pm)
Year 4	Characters from David Walliams books
Year 5	Can dress up as a character from one of the books they have read so far this year from books such as Harry Potter, Matilda, Tracey Beaker, Ratburger and The Demon Dentist
Year 6	The Highwayman

Wrist Bands

Every child between Years 1 and 6 has been given a coloured wrist band that shows which house they are in.

We ask that each child wears their band everyday while they are in school. There are a number of reasons for this the most significant one being that we want the children to feel part of a wider group and celebrate each other's successes.

We expect the children to look after the wrist band they have been given. If it is lost we ask that it is replaced. New bands can be bought from the school office for 50p.

Only children wearing their wrist bands can be nominated for House Champion each week.

Important Dates

Friday 14th February – Break up for Half term holiday

Monday 24th February – School reopens

Friday 28th February – Training Day – School closed

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day Dress up day

Friday 13th March – Sport Relief Fundraising day

Friday 3rd April – Break up for Easter holiday