

Friday 17th January 2020 - Issue 17

Attendance

Overall our attendance this week was 96.6%
Our target this year is 96.0%.

The Class with the best attendance this week was: Class 12

Class 2	—	99.1%
Class 3	—	95.0%
Class 4	—	98.0%
Class 5	—	93.6%
Class 6	—	96.6%
Class 7	—	95.3%
Class 8	—	98.7%
Class 9	—	93.3%
Class 10	—	96.7%
Class 11	—	97.3%
Class 12	—	99.4%
Class 13	—	97.2%
Class 14	—	97.2%
Class 15	—	95.2%

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 5	:	Kacie
Class 6	:	Aliya, David, Leah, Robyn
Class 8	:	Amelia
Class 11	:	Ayaan, Joshua, Shivam
Class 15	:	Daria

Well done to you all!

News

Early Years Celebration Assembly

A reminder that Early Years celebration assembly runs fortnightly and you are welcome to attend every assembly even if your child is not receiving a sticker that week. Please come along and clap for all of our children's achievements. The next dates for assemblies are as follows: 27th January, 10th February, 24th February and 9th March all at 2.45pm in the Infant's Hall.



1000 Stories!

Thank you to all of the nursery and reception parents who attended the launch of 1000 stories. We are excited to begin the opportunity to extend our children's vocabulary and develop their reading skills and so much more. The library will be open at the end of each day for reception parents to change their books and nursery parents are able to change their books in the nursery classroom. If you were unable to attend the meeting and are keen to get involved, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Sister Dora Remembrance

Reverend Kinder came in to assembly this week to commemorate the life and work of Sister Dora, a well-known nurse who came to the borough in the 1860s. A group of children walked down the town centre and laid some flowers by her statue in celebration of her birthday!



Keeping Our Children Safe

YouTube

If you haven't seen the new YouTube app or site for children (<13) it's worth a look. This is only a few weeks old and it's quite good for the younger children

App: <https://youtube.com/kids/>

Web: <https://www.youtubekids.com/>

There are lots of resources for parents on the school website. Click on the CHILDREN flag, then click ONLINE SAFETY. If you click on National Online Safety it will take you to lots of one page posters covering a range of topics such as cyberbullying, social pressure online, social media and suggested games and apps.

Next Week in School

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

- Year 6 will be retelling the events of The Highwayman as a narrative piece of writing. We will be exploring the unfamiliar vocabulary used within the poem. We are continuing our learning linked to fractions in maths.
- Year 5 will continue their mini adventure looking at materials and considering how the BFG might make his potions. In maths, the children will be looking at the addition and subtraction of fractions - including mixed and improper fractions.
- Year 4 will be starting to look at shape and we will continue our Mini-Adventure of Ancient Egypt by looking at mummification.
- Year 3 will be continuing to investigate how to make different shadows to create their own shadow puppets. We are practising writing stories so that we write our own next week. We will also be continuing to work with fractions in maths.
- Year 2 are going to the British Motor museum to observe how transport has developed over time. The children will take part in many different activities and will even be able ride in an older vehicle too!
- Year 1 will be looking at the religion Judaism next week. We will be learning facts about the religion and finding out about different celebrations and rituals.

We will also be creating artwork inspired by Judaism.

- Reception will be reading the story "Mog and the Vet" and we will be visiting Pets at Home to learn how to look after different pets.
- Nursery are continuing their work about shops. Our Morrisons role play is changing into a clothes shop and the children are going to help run it by writing price tags and matching coins to the labels.

Messy Church

St Luke's Church in Selbourne Street WS1 2JN have their



Messy Church on Sunday 19th

4.00pm – 5.45pm. The theme will be 'Walsall's Own Hero – Why remember Sister Dora?' 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

Training Day

School will be closed on **Friday 28th February** due to a staff training day.

Mufti Day

Friday 14th February is the last day of this half term and will also be a non-uniform (MUFTI) day. Children can wear their own clothes but should bring in £1 to add to our school fund which supports trips, Christmas presents, pantomime performances etc.

Important Dates

Friday 14th February – Break up for Half term holiday & Mufti Day

Monday 24th February – School reopens

Friday 28th February – Training Day – School closed

Friday 3rd April - Break up for Half term holiday