

Friday 13th March 2020 - Issue 24

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 Nafisa in Year 1. The Ipads were won by Anum in Year 1 and Abdullahi in Year 3.

Overall our attendance this week was 93.3%
Our target this year is 96.0%.

The Class with the best attendance this week was:
Class 5

Class 2	—	89.4%
Class 3	—	96.0%
Class 4	—	89.0%
Class 5	—	97.9%
Class 6	—	97.3%
Class 7	—	93.3%
Class 8	—	96.3%
Class 9	—	95.0%
Class 10	—	87.7%
Class 11	—	95.0%
Class 12	—	86.1%
Class 13	—	96.0%
Class 14	—	93.3%
Class 15	—	94.5%

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 4: Bogdan

Class 6: Deenah

Class 10: Karina, Kevin, Kiara, Ryszard

Class 12: Mason, Mohammed Ali

Well done to you all!

News

Morrisons Donations!

Morrisons (Lichfield Street) have very generously donated to us some Easter Eggs for the raffle on 2nd April and in addition, some brand new reading books! To ensure that all children get access to these fabulous new books we have put them in to our school library. The library is open every day from 3.15pm-3.45pm every day to parents and children.



Sport Relief



Parents Evenings

Parents' Evenings will be straight after the Easter holiday. Letters to book your appointment time will be sent out next week. At the meeting, we will share your child's Spring term report with full details of their attendance, progress and attainment.

New Menus

We will be introducing new summer lunchtime menus after the Easter Holidays. If there is anything you would like us to add to the menu please fill in a suggestion slip in the main office by Friday 20th March

Animal Lady!

Last week, Nursery received a visit from a lady who brought a selection of animals into school for us to learn about, touch and hold. We really enjoyed the sessions and everyone was really brave.



Coronavirus - careful what we say!

Whilst it is important not to understate that Coronavirus is a serious issue, it is important that we do not frighten children, especially the younger ones. In conversations with your child:

- Remain calm and reassuring.
- Make yourself available to listen and to talk.
- Avoid language that might blame others and lead to [stigma](#).
- Pay attention to what children see or hear on television, radio, or online.
- Provide information that is honest and accurate.
- Teach children everyday actions to reduce the spread of germs.

Department for Education Coronavirus helpline

The DfE has opened a helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk
Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Keeping Our Children Safe

TikTok is introducing a new "family safety mode" designed to give parents tighter control over teens' mobile phone habits.

It will let parents link their own TikTok accounts to their child's - and turn features on and off remotely. That includes a "restricted mode" that tries to filter out inappropriate content, and turning off messaging. TikTok has an age limit of 13, but many pre-teens still use the Chinese-owned app. A recent survey by UK media regulator Ofcom found that TikTok was used by 13% of all children aged 12-15 in 2019 - up from 8% the year before. Please see the below link:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-51561050>

Next Week in School

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

- Nursery are going to learn about how to look after different animals. We are going to get a pet fish for the children to observe and help look after in the classroom too!
- Reception will be continuing to read the story Rosie's walk. We will focus on problem solving in Maths, both solving problems making up our own problems to solve. In our learning of "understanding the world", we will look at animals more closely and the life cycle of a hen.
- Year 1 will be looking at place value to 100 and non-chronological reports.

- Year 2 are going to finish making our scarves for Sunny the meerkat to make sure he is warm enough in Chuckery.
- Year 3 are continuing to look at how life changed over the thousands of years of the Stone Age. We will be writing stories set in this time to show our understanding. We will also be problem solving with measure in maths.
- Year 4 will begin to write their own version of A Bug's Life including their own bug that they have designed. Year 4 will also be continuing with their sculptures they are creating.
- Year 5 are learning about the significance of Viking shields and then designing and making our own. In maths, we will be looking at angles and learning how to measure them.
- Year 6 are continuing our learning about angles in shapes. We will be writing our next diary entry for our journey on Route 66.

Reminders

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 23rd March at 2.45pm in the Infant's Hall.

School Photographs

The photographer will be in school to take pictures of individual children and school siblings on Monday 23rd March.

Important Dates

Thursday 2nd April – Easter assembly and Easter Egg raffle

Friday 3rd April - Break up for Easter holiday

Monday 20th April – School re-opens