



Dear Parent/Carers,

Thought of the week:

Science is more than a body of knowledge, it is a way of thinking. (Carl Sagan)

Headteacher's Award: Ushna. U-2B

Gold Award: Sheikh. A and Taiba. B-2B, Laila. S-4R

Achievement Awards for History/Geography

Ayaan. H-1Y, M. Yasin and Aniela. R-2G, Ishaaq. A-2B, Leo. S-3B, Juniar. K-4Y, Inayah. M-4R, Saira. J-4G, Mus'ab. M-5R, Mariam. B-6B, Alexandra. M-6R, Ibrahim. S-6Y, Murtaza. A-6Y

Well done, children!

P4C Question

In order to develop children's critical thinking skills and to reflect on their own behaviour and that of others, this week's P4C question is:

'If we don't challenge the bully, are we condoning their behaviour by being a bystander?'

Please discuss this as a family, encouraging the children to think about this from different view points.

Rights Respecting:

RIGHTS



RESPECTING

This week, the children will be learning about:

Article 2: The Convention applies to every child, regardless of race, colour, sex, language, place of birth, religion, politics, disability, and status.

Article 24: All children and young people have the right to the best health care possible, safe water to drink, nutritious food, a clean and safe environment, and information to help them stay alive, healthy and safe.

Discussion about these articles will enable the children to gain a better understanding of what they mean and become more confident in communicating their understanding to others.

I do hope that you will take the time to look into this.

Improving Attendance across the school:

Well done to Year 6 Yellow for achieving 99.4% last week. The overall percentage for the whole school was 95.8%. Our target for this year is 96%. Please let's all continue to work together every week and try harder to reach our target!

The lowest attenders are currently **Year 2 Yellow** with **73.7%** This is a real cause for concern.

Parents, please make every effort for your children to attend regularly, especially those of you with children in 2 Yellow.

Remember- Good attendance=good self esteem= good progress

School Curriculum Priorities:

We continue to focus on our curriculum drivers to develop children's:

- Communication skills
- Responsibility for local, national and global improvements in relation to respect, tolerance and looking after the environment and our planet
- Cultural capital not only valuing the knowledge and skills they bring from home, but also by continuing our work on developing their interest in areas that they don't usually engage in. We do this by offering them opportunities within our curriculum such as special days, events, trips etc, inviting in speakers from different backgrounds and professions, in order to motivate our children

As we go forward, we will be organising meetings and workshops to share some of this with you.

<u>Year 6-SATs Information Session for Parents-</u> <u>Thursday 17th March 2022</u>

Parents and carers, you are all invited to a SATS information session on **Thursday 17th March** at **9 am** in the main hall. During the session the year 6 team will discuss resources to support your child in preparation for the tests and will give you a guide as to what the week will look like. They will also be on hand to answer any questions that you may have. Please enter the hall via the staff car park entrance. We look forward to seeing you there.

World Book Day

What an amazing day we had in school last week! The children thoroughly enjoyed the focus on reading for pleasure and were buzzing with excitement.

Thank you to Kelly, Josie and Kim for organizing it, and parents and carers for supporting us.

British Science Weeek-11th March 2022-20th March 2022

British Science week will be taking place from 11th March - 20th March. This year's theme will be focused on 'Growth and Sustainability'. The children will have the opportunity to take part in planting herbs and bulbs for the roof garden, undertake practical experiments and have the pleasure of an assembly with external visitors focusing on recycling. During this week please talk to your children about recycling and how they can reduce their carbon foot print to help global warming.

Online Grooming - A guide for parents

With the scale of online grooming getting worse every year, it is important that parents are empowered with good information. The Internet Watch Foundation have put together a brilliant guide which is split into 3 sections. The first describes what online CSE is, the second answers questions and gives practical advice and the third informs parents what to do if they are suspicious.

The downloadable PDF can be found **HERE**:

Link: https://talk.iwf.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/ A-quide-for-parents-and-carers-v7.pdf

If you want any specific information about a topic, please let someone from the school office know and we will try to cater for this.

Schools Art Exhibition

All our talented and creative pupils in years 4,5 and 6 will soon enter their outstanding work in a virtual art gallery courtesy of 'Imagesart' School Art Exhibition. This is a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to see themselves as real artists. The virtual exhibition will go live on Tuesday 19th April for 3 weeks for you to take orders of framed work. We will send you the link as soon as the work goes Live. Please watch this space.

Clubs

The last week for all clubs for this term will be the week beginning **21st March 2022**.

Vacancy

We are currently looking to appoint a driver with a D1 driving licence for a few hours each week to drive our school mini bus from **8.15am-9.00am** daily. If you are eligible with the correct licence, please contact us via email to the school admin address.

Please note, all staff are subject to police checks and references.



Kev Dates for 2022

Spring term 2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022-Friday 1st April 2022

Friday 11th March-20th March 2022-British Science week

Wednesday 23rd March 2022-Autism Awareness Day

Easter break- Monday 4th April 2022- Monday 18th April 2022

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022- Friday 22nd July 2022

Friday 29th April-Class Photos

Half term break- Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

Inset Days

Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Monday 11th July 2022-Additional Bank Holiday

Class Photographs-Friday 29th April 2022

Please note, all classes will have their photographs taken on **Friday 29th April 2022**. I would ask that all parents/carers ensure that your child is in full school uniform.