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Friday 17th February 2023



“Lord your love never fails. Your love is patient, kind and never jealous. Help us to show patience with those around us, extend kindness to all who we meet and cast aside feelings of jealousy.”

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. It is very much appreciated. I wish you all a very restful and enjoyable half-term break.

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton

Ash Wednesday and Lent:

During half term, we begin our journey through the season of Lent. We will be writing to you after half term about our Lenten focus and how we will be supporting those most vulnerable and in need within our communities and further afield.

February Term Holiday Club - REMINDER

A reminder that our School Sports Providers LSC will be offering a fantastic holiday course based at the school during the half term break from Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February. Visit www.wearelsc.co.uk or call 0800 032 1806 for more information.

After-School Clubs

A reminder that our after-school clubs will be running the first week back after-half-term as per this half-term. Please see the additional letter attached for further information of clubs and how to book. Note Tuesday's after-school club with LSC may be postponed due to proposed strike action.

World Book Day



World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March, which is in the first week back after the half term. Instead of asking the children to dress up, we would like them to decorate a wooden spoon as a character from a book. It can be any book character they like and they can bring the book into school to share it they wish.

Proposed Strike Action:

I am not in a position to provide clear information regarding whether school will be partially or fully closed on Tuesday 28th February. I will send a text message and email as soon as I am in a position to do so. Thank-you for your patience and understanding with this.

Some of our wonderful work this week....

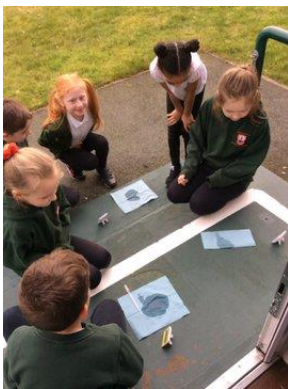
Nursery learning how to stay safe online.



Year 1 enjoying painting in their Art lesson, learning about Orla Kiely.



Year 3/4 exploring the rate of evaporation.



Year 6 enjoyed a visit from St Matthew's to teach the children all about the Romans.



Attendance

2R are this week's "Class Attendance Winners" with an excellent 98.2% attendance closely followed
By Nur/ Rec with 95.6%

NurW 95.3%	Nur/RecH 95.6%	RecM 91.3%	1J 94.2%	1/2M 95.2%	2R 98.2%
3S 92.5%	3/4D 91.1%	4T 94.6%	5M 90.9%	5J 89.2%	6G 91.1%
6W 93.1%					

When one class wins the "Class Attendance Winners" twice during a half-term they will receive a
special reward!

Who will be next week's "Class Attendance Winners" ... see next week's school newsletter!



Half-Term Offers and Support:

We would like to make you aware that ASDA is offering a free warm breakfast across the February half term holidays. Children will be able to get a free bowl of Quaker porridge from 8am to 12pm every day in 205 Asda cafes across February half term, on top of the existing £1 kids main meal deal. The partnership is expected to enable over 50,000 bowls of porridge to be served to children across the country.

Take a look at other [restaurants and cafes](#) offering free or discounted rates for children during this time.



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Y3 Temilola	Year 4 Elliot D Joshua	Year 5 Izore Denzel	Year 6 Uzonna
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Well done to our winners this week



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Rec: Halle, Poppy Rose Y1J: Orla	Y1/2M: Millie O Y2R: Willow Y3S: Amelia O	Y3-4D: Alfie Y4T: Aerysa Y5J: Finley	Y5M: Scarlett Y6G: AJ Y6W: Mark
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Watch this space for next week when our stars will be announced



Important Dates



Wednesday 22 nd February 23	Ash Wednesday
Monday 27 th February 2023	School opens after half term holiday
Thursday 6 th April 2023	School closes at 1.00pm for Easter
Monday 17 th April 2023	School opens after Easter Holiday

Syria and Turkey Earthquake Disaster Appeal

A sincere word of thanks for your generous contributions towards the Disaster Appeal for those suffering from the devastating, recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Your donations have raised £416. Those suffering have been part of our prayer focus in school, during recent weeks and we will continue to do so moving forward.



Safer Internet Fortnight:

A special thank-you to Mrs Welch, Mr James and all of our Digital-leaders; Brunella, Michael, Donald, Jacob, Sophie K, Sophie D-H, Ezra and Erin who have led us during our Safer Internet Fortnight through assemblies, workshops and lessons.

Online safety and safe, responsible use of social media continues to be a focus all year round and we ask you to continue to support your children and school in ensuring this. Please see the range of resources and guidance available on the school website to support you with this.

If you require any support, please do not hesitate to contact us

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023/parents-and-carers>
<https://www.childnet.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Hanni-and-the-Magic-Window.pdf>

Let's Talk About It – Safer Internet Competition Winners

I am pleased to announce the following children have received the special prize of a certificate and treat for their winning entries in the recent competition.

Nur – Louie, **Nur/Rec** – Evan T, **Rec** – Alfie MC , **Y1** – Iris ,**Y1/2** – Brooke, **Y2** – Jessica, **Y3** – L'Rae **Y3/4** – Daisy, **Y4** – Aerysa, **Y5M** – Cerys, **Y5J** – Tiwa, **Y6W** – Carson, **Y6G** – AJ