

Thursday 21st March 2024

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We had a fabulous week last week completing Science-based tasks and experiments. The visit from Dantastic the scientist went really well with some very impressive experiments and the children were both awestruck and inspired! We have also been very impressed with the entries for our science competition. There have been some very imaginative and thoughtful interpretations on the theme of time and the passage of time which we are looking forward to sharing across the school.

Years 3 and 4 are busy practicing for their Easter performances which will take place on Monday for Year 3 parents and Tuesday of next week for Year 4 parents. We kindly ask that you limit the attendance to two adults per family if you can. Poetry and performance are a big part of our Literacy curriculum for LKS2 and it is a pleasure to share this with families.

Also, on Wednesday of next week, our younger children are invited to come to school in their Easter hats and bonnets. They will parade for the wider school before the office ladies have the very difficult task of choosing class winners. Children in Year 2 and above can enter our decorate an egg competition (please make sure you hard boil them first!). As always, there is no pressure or expectation to take part and entry is purely optional and free.

We break up for Easter on Thursday of next week. Over the holidays, school will be busy having new flooring installed in Years 3 and 4, blinds and wider building improvements taking place and the one I think will please everybody the most, the carpark will finally be resurfaced! I would like to say a special thank you to FT Surfacing LTD who have been very considerate and accommodating in helping us resolve this very pressing issue. They will also re-mark parking bays and paint in the one-way arrows. At this time, we are unable to re-mark the disabled bays and I ask that everyone is mindful about where they are and only use them if you are entitled to do so and have a disabled badge.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Backhouse

Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date: 95.72%

This week's winning class: 4M 100%. Amazing!



Easter Events



Pupils in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 are invited to enter our decorate an Easter bonnet competition and pupils in Years 2,3,4,5 and 6 are invited to enter our decorate an egg competition. Please ensure entries have names and classes on them. Entries are to be brought into school on **Wednesday 27th March 2024**. Prizes will be awarded for the best entries. We look forward to seeing them all!



Marie Curie Daffodils

Thank you to everyone who has supported Marie Curie by purchasing a daffodil from our school council members.



Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who supported Red Nose Day last Friday by coming in non-uniform. Total raised to follow shortly.

Eco News

Thank you to everyone who supported our entry to the Duracell big battery hunt by bringing in used batteries to recycle. Members of the school eco council will take the batteries to Currys in Rochdale to be recycled.

Stars of The Week

Well done to the following children for winning our Star of the Week Award:

Nursery: Aurelle	5W: Oliver
R1: Khadija	5M: Zac
R2: Hattie	6W: Haris
1W: Yusuf	6M: Rhodi
1M: Eric	Mrs Cadogan: Idris
2W: Norah	
2M: Hibah	
3W: Annum	
3M: Arib	
4W: Muhammad	
4M: Amelia	

Lunchtime Stars Golf Vouchers

We will be awarding ten vouchers per week for two free rounds of mini golf at Rochdale Putt Stars for children who display excellent behaviour at lunch times, both when they are eating and when they are playing outside. Well done to our voucher winners for last week: Nahla, Beauden, Sami, Francesca, Amelia, Daniyal, Dexter, Charlotte and Yusuf.

Thank you to Rochdale Putt Stars for offering this scheme to the school.



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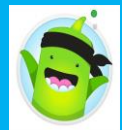
School Council News

The school council will be running an Easter raffle over the last week of term (30p per ticket or £1 per strip of tickets). Please send money into school with your child if you would like them to participate in this event. They will also be running a name the rabbit or lamb competition which is 30p per guess. The school council have voted that the money raised will go towards the purchase of new playground equipment to be used across school.



Science Week 2024

Well done to everyone who entered the poster competition. All entries received will be sent off for judging this week.



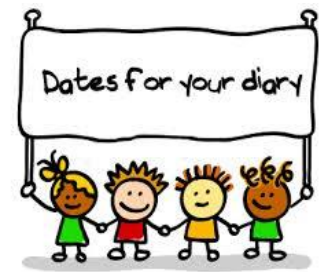
Dojo Winners

Well done to all our dojo points winners for last week:

Nursery: Ava	4M: Thomas
R1: Ella	5W: Ayaan
R2: Maryam	5M: Christopher
1W: Leo	6W: Charlotte
1M: George	6M: Yahya
2W: Jessica	
2M: Ava	
3W: Daniel	
3M: Oscar	
4W: Zachary	

Dates for the Diary Spring Term 2024

We try to include as many useful dates as we can but suggest that you keep checking this list over the following weeks as dates may be added or amended. Please contact school if you have any queries relating to dates of events or holidays.



Friday 22nd March	PTA School Discos 6pm - 7.30pm
Monday 25 th March 9.15am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 3 parents
Tuesday 26 th March 9.15am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 4 parents
Wednesday 27 th March 5pm - 6pm	Year 1 Parents' Phonics Meeting
Wednesday 27 th March	Easter egg and bonnet entries into school
Thursday 28 th March 9.15am	Pupil of the Term Assembly
Thursday 28 th March	Close for Easter