

Thursday 13th February 2025

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World Book Day vouchers will come home this week with your child. World book day is after the half term. Due to events in school, we will be holding it a day later so it doesn't clash with those events. Mrs Cadogan has put the details opposite. We have kept the theme as wide and as easy for parents as possible so there's no need to buy any outfits etc.

Well done to all of the children who have represented the school this week in Badminton, Football and Magistrates. As always, the feedback we have received from other schools and agencies has been glowing. The children's behaviour and conduct have been exemplary. They are a credit to the school and we are very proud of them. There are lots of opportunities coming up after half term for different year groups to represent the school in a range of different sporting events. Mr Chapman and Mr Humphreys will be organising these. If you are unable to transport your child to any of these events and wish them to go with another parent, you do have to let us know and give us your permission before we can release them. If transport remains an issue we will organise something from school so no child misses an opportunity.

Year 2 have been to the theatre this week to watch Horrible Histories The Tudors. They really enjoyed the experience, found it hilariously funny and learned lots of new Tudor facts.

We break up this Friday for half term and we return on **Tuesday 25th February**. Wishing you all a lovely half term holiday and I hope the weather improves and we see some sunshine!

Mrs Backhouse



Interesting Fact:

Happy Breathing helps to balance all three areas of the brain so we can calm, remember and make decisions.

Attendance

Whole School Target: 97%

Whole School Average Attendance to Date:
96.16%

This week's winning class: 1W 100% Brilliant!



World Book Day Friday 7th March

Our theme for World Book Day this year is 'My Story' Children are invited to come to school dressed in an outfit that celebrates them. It could be the kit they wear for the local sports team they play for or it could be an outfit to highlight a hobby or interest. We just request that children wear sensible footwear.

Children's Mental Health Week

Last week was Children's Mental Health Week. The theme was Know yourself, Grow yourself. Children completed some fantastic activities around this theme in their classes. Thank you to all parents who attended the coffee morning and spoke to our Young Person's Mental Health Practitioner, Nida. Please contact Mrs Cadogan or Mrs Beswick if you feel your child would benefit from some extra support around their mental health or wellbeing.

Medicines

Whilst we are happy to administer Calpol to children if they become ill during the school day, please remember to send your child in with medicine if you know they are going to require it. Medicine will need to be left at the school office with a completed medicine form. Thank you.

Tuesday 11th February was Safer Internet Day.



Children completed activities in school around the theme of protecting themselves and others from scams online. Please visit the staying safe online section of the parents' area of the school website for access to a wide range of information leaflets for parents about the latest games and platforms that children are accessing online.

Stars of The Week

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

Nursery: Ibrahim	5W: Khadijah
R1: Airah	5M: Zayd
R2: Albert	6W: Oscar
1W: Arabella	6M: Oliver
1M: Wilfred	Mrs Cadogan: Jordan
2W: Leo	
2M: Jacob	
3W: Jackson	
3M: Zakariya	
4W:	
4M: Sienna	

Lunchtime Stars

Unfortunately, we can no longer award lunchtime stars golf vouchers due to Rochdale Putt Stars being taken over by Hollywood Bowl. If you have any vouchers at home, these can be used until the end of February. Pupils who received our new Lunchtime Stars Certificates last week were: Khadijah, Ari, Qays, Jessica, Ciara, Arthur, Ayaan, Laibah and Yousef.

Well done to them!



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School Council News

The school council met with Vicky, the school cook, on Tuesday to discuss what they are enjoying and ideas for improving the lunch menu. The meeting was very productive and the councillors came up with some great suggestions.

Friday 14th February

Children make come in non-uniform on this day for a small donation to the PTA who use money raised to fund experiences and resources to improve school.



PTA Penny Wars

Thank you to everyone who has supported the PTA Penny Wars over the past two weeks. The winning class will be announced shortly.



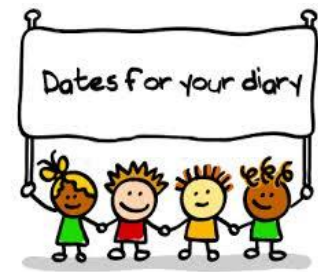
Dojo Winners

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

Nursery: Patsy	4M: Piper
R1: Archie	5W: Jordan
R2: Thomas	5M: Saafa
1W: Eva	6W: Scarlett
1M: Harry	6M: Yousaf
2W: Marwah & Alf	
2M: Archie	
3W: Layla	
3M: Norah	
4W: Ayaan	

Dates for the Diary Spring Term 2025

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.



Thursday 13 th February	Year 2 Theatre Trip
Friday 14 th February	PTA Non-Uniform Day
Friday 14 th February	School closes for half-term
Monday 24 th February	INSET Day
Tuesday 25 th February	School re-opens after the half-term break
Monday 3 rd March	Year 3 Local Walk - Norden and Greenbooth (Please note change of date)
Thursday 6 th March	Year 4 Trip to Liverpool World Museum
Friday 7 th March	Whittaker Moss celebrates World Book Day. Theme - My Story. Dress in something to celebrate you.
W/C 10 th March	Science Week
Monday 10 th March	Parents' Evening 1
Tuesday 11 th March	Parents' Evening 2
Tuesday 11 th March	Wonder Dome (inflatable planetarium) in school
Friday 21 st March	Comic Relief Day: non-uniform
Monday 24 th March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 3/4 Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Tuesday 25 th March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 1/2 Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Tuesday 25 th March 5 - 6pm	Year 1 Parents' Phonics Meeting
Wednesday 26 th March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Nursery & Reception Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Thursday 27 th March 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Years 5/6 Parent & Child Spring Art Afternoon
Wednesday 2 nd April	Easter egg and bonnet entries into school
Wednesday 2 nd April	Eid Party Day (Date added)
Thursday 3 rd April 9.30am - 11.00am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 3 parents (Please note change of date)
Friday 4 th April 9.30am - 11.00am	Year 3/4 Spring performance for Year 4 parents (Please note change of date)
Friday 4 th April 1.30pm	Pupil of the Term Assembly
Friday 4 th April	Close for Easter Break