

NEWSLETTER

Friday 21st October 2022

Headteacher Comment

Thank you to all our parents for booking appointments for parents' evening this week and taking the time to discuss your child's progress with the class teachers. We hope you found it useful to learn about how well they've settled into their new class and how well your child is accessing their new year group curriculum.

As the half term holiday approaches, it is good to reflect on the first part of the academic year. So far we have an attendance rate of 94.5% and this is something we would like to improve further in the coming weeks. We are aiming for an attendance rate of 97%. To help us, please keep us well informed of any absences from school and for minor ailments children should attend. We can always contact parents if the pupil starts to feel more unwell. Please try and book any medical appointments outside of the school day where possible.

Congratulations to Y5 who have the best attendance so far (96.3%) with Y2 close behind (95.4%). Y1 have the most work to do to catch up to the attendance rates of the other year groups. Y1 is a crucial year group so it is essential that the children are in every day to prevent missed learning.

Thank you to all our families for your support this term demonstrated through your positive feedback, attendance at school events and by helping your child with their reading and homework. This is greatly appreciated by the staff team.

On behalf of the staff team, we wish you all a happy half term.



Attendance EYFS Bumper Harvest Week Ending Dates for your As part of their harvest Diary 21.10.2022 celebrations Reception Class have been busy R 91.8 Friday 21st baking bread and Y1 harvesting vegetables 88.2 **October – Half** from the school garden. Term Y2 84.3 **Y3** Monday 31st ¥4 October – **Y5 Return to** 89.6 Y6 school Whole Tuesday 1st November – 91.4 Sewing Club Year 6 Trip -(weekly Salford The children have worked **Museum** extremely hard this half term in sewing club. They have Whole Friday 4th researched, designed and November produced their own teddies using 93.8 Day of the felt. In addition, they have learnt (Sept to Dead how to sew using a needle and thread which is a fantastic life skill. I'm sure you can agree, the finished products look superb! Target 97%

Katy Higginson Head of School





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To celebrate Black History Month, we have joined a webinar where some STEM Ambassadors talked about what they do in their job and the person in STEM they find inspiring. The children were tasked with matching each inspiring person to their description. It was really exciting to hear all about the different jobs and experiences each Ambassador described.



Year 3

Vincent van Gogh

Year 3 have been learning to recreate A Starry Night by Vincent Van Gogh in their Art lessons. The children had lots of fun using small strokes with oil pastels to create this iconic picture. They particularly enjoyed it because their hands got very messy!!!

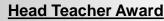


Maths Club

<u>EYFS</u>

Reception and Nursery have been very busy learning all about the Hindu celebration Diwali. They have loved learning about the religious festival, making their own rangoli patterns, developing their fine motor skills making diva lamps, mehndi patterns and firework loose part artwork. They have also really enjoyed exploring Indian stick and scarf dancing, drumming and exploring lots of lights and special clothes.





Nursery = Paddy McNulty & Sophia Juscuite Rec = Lily-Rose Beswick & Eric Chrimes Y1 = Logan Jones Yearsley & Farrah Pegg Y2 = George Mullarkey & Madison Renshaw Y3 = Daeton Eaton & Alanah Collins Y4 = Kaya Matley & Logan Jack Cooke Y5 = Eva Greenhalgh & Brayden Matley Y6 = Lily-Rose Sheehan & Kai Ford Harden



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<u>Goalball</u>

Big Shout Out to all the Reception children who took part in the Forest Gate Goalball Tournament. They showed great sportsmanship, teamwork and had lots of fun. Their medals were well deserved! Well Done Nicholas who was our overall winner!



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