



NEWSLETTER

Friday 1st March 2024

Headteacher Comment

Thank you to everyone for participating in Mad Hair Day today and donating Easter Eggs and chocolate. These donations will be given to our parent council so they can make Easter themed chocolate hampers which will be raffled off. Please look out for Laura Woolstencroft who will be selling tickets outside the office at home times.

Over the course of the previous months we have had a number of applications for holidays. Please remember that holidays in term time are not permitted by the school and it will result in a Local Authority penalty notice currently at the cost of £60 per child, per parent. This doubles in cost if it is not paid in the first 21 days. If your child is out of school for a holiday the first step is to complete a holiday request form. You may then be required to attend a meeting in school. If the holiday is taken then the local authority will send a penalty notice once the holiday has been completed. Please note that these can take months to come through. Children who miss work in that time will not have the opportunity to cover this when they return and this can impact heavily on their subsequent learning and achievement. Please ensure your child is in school every day.

Many Thanks



Katy Higginson
Head of School



Anita Edwards
Executive
Headteacher

Attendance

Week Ending
01.03.2024

N	89.4
R	91.3
Y1	94.5
Y2	91.4
Y3	97.3
Y4	94.2
Y5	95
Y6	97.2

Whole
School
(weekly)

94.2

Whole
School
(Sept to
date)

93.7

Target 97%

Nursery

Nursery have started this half term focusing on growing. We were shocked to find an enormous beanstalk in the classroom and mysterious footprints. After reading our focus story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'; we discovered a Giant had come to Nursery. Fear not however, Nursery have worked hard to create traps to stop the Giant. Nursery have also painted their own beanstalks, made them out of playdough and planted their own beanstalks too!



Dates for your Diary

**Thursday 7th
March – World
Book Day**

**Friday 8th
March – Year 6
SATs Parent
Meeting 9am**

**Monday 11th
March –
Nursery New
Parent
Welcome
Meeting 3-4pm**

**Friday 15th
March –
Science Open
Morning**



Year 2

This week Year 2 had a visit from Greater Manchester Fire Service. The children learnt all about the history of the fire service. Our visitors were really impressed with how much Year 2 knew about the Great Fire of London. Well done Year 2!

The Great Fire of London



Year 4

Year 4 have started a new topic in science - Sound. To begin this new unit, they children carried out a range of experiments to explore how sound is made and how sound travels. They spoke through balloons, observed what happened to rice crispies on a drum, listened to see how sound changed as they moved further away from a drum, explored how different lengths of musical sticks made different pitch sounds and felt the vibrations when holding a triangle.



Minecraft

On Thursday some of Year 5 & 6 children went to Broadoak School to take part in a Minecraft session led by some of their Year 10 pupils under the instruction of a Microsoft team. They used AI and coding to complete their deforestation mission and had an amazing time.



Crazy Hair Day

Thank you for all of your kind donations of chocolate for our Easter raffle.



Year 1

Year one thoroughly enjoyed their science workshop on Thursday. They investigated floating and sinking, magnetic and absorbent materials and even talked about gasses!



Stars of the Week

Nursery = A-Jay Bird & Bobby Stanhope
 Rec = Harry Cottrell & Logan French
 Y1 = Bleu McKenna & Nicholas Barry
 Y2 = Lucas Alek & Liam Pearce
 Y3 = Madison Renshaw & Madison Banter
 Y4 = Isla Blease & Ebony Diamond
 Y5 = Aidan Hill & Rania Banda
 Y6 = Dami Ogunyemi & Kenzie Roberts

CONGRATULATIONS



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