



## A message from our Headteachers

### Developing a love of reading

Miss Pithers, our English lead, has been working hard on our English curriculum over the last half term. She has a passion for reading for pleasure and sharing new books with the children. Here are some updates from her about what has been going on with our reading curriculum!

*We have lots of exciting things happening with reading across school. There has been significant work completed in our library, and the children are now able to access a book they can read for enjoyment and pleasure, in addition to their levelled reading book.*

*There is a new reading team in school, who are responsible for all things reading! This week, they have been writing book reviews, as well as creating ideas for different themes in the library across the year. We will also be choosing the Vending Machine design winner, and the machine itself will be installed in the library very soon! This will be used for rewards for reading at home so please continue to read with your children as much as you can!*

*The Bookmark Charity have donated brand new books to us, which are worth over £2000! These will be put into book corners in class rooms, as well as in the library too.*

*We have worked hard across the staff team to link books to our new topics too.*

*Children will be reading texts in lessons that are linked to their Geography and History learning. This is to empower children to have more knowledge and find a love of books they may not have had before!*

*We have been fortunate to welcome a number of new reading volunteers into school. These are members of our local community, who are giving up their time to listen to children read. We are very grateful for all their help!*

*Book swap is continuing to run, and will be held in the hall on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> after school. Please bring back books that have been borrowed and take some new ones read!*

There is lots happening in school over the next few weeks, so we ask you to keep as up-to-date as possible with the newsletter and updates on Classdojo/text messages.

Finally, we wanted to acknowledge the response from parents and carers to our code of conduct. Since this has been introduced in Autumn 1, there is now positive and supportive communication happening with teachers.

Thank you,

Mrs Salam and Mr Middleton



### Achievements this week!

Well done to the following children who have been given a certificate in our celebration assembly today!

Y1: Mason for making good choices inside and out of the classroom & Harmony for trying hard in her Phonics.

Y2: Amber for being ambitious in P.E. & Ella-Rose for being engaged in our STEM morning.

Y3: Natas for super English work & Winter for always being kind.

Y4: Phoebe for showing determination in her history learning & Ava for working hard to complete tasks with passion.

Y5: Jessica for settling into life at Warren & Abiraami for always being an excellent role model.

Y6: Casey for incredible scientific communication about the eye & Nissi for always showing the learning behaviours of a Year 6.

Children in EYFS who also received certificates were:

F1: Indie & Tyler for good story recall.

F2: Alfie for being resourceful and accessing all areas of the classroom & Jacob for good communication in sharing his knowledge of Diwali.

### Attendance

Our attendance target this year for each child to reach is 97%. It is important your child is coming to school every day to reach this target.

Mrs Neat, our family support worker, checks on pupil attendance daily. We ask that you communicate with school to share reasons why your child is absent from school. This is also for us to know your child is safe.

Here is this week's attendance:

F2: 88.2%

Y1: 95.9%

Y2: 98.3%

Y3: 92.4%

Y4: 93.4%

Y5: 90.4%

Y6: 98.6%

Well done to Year 4 who have the highest attendance this week!





## Key dates

Date	Event
14.11.22	Odd Socks Day
17.11.22	Y6 trip to the Savoy Cinema
18.11.22	Children in Need Day
18.11.22	Y1 trip to Cineworld, Nottingham
21.11.22	World Cup Celebration Day ran by PTA
25.11.22	Y5 trip to Cineworld, Nottingham
30.11.22	Christmas Movie evening ran by PTA
5.12.22	Y4 trip to University of Nottingham for Sports and Nutrition day
9.12.22	Christmas Jumper Swap Christmas Fayre
13.12.22	Christmas Pantomime (pm)
14.12.22	Christmas Jumper Day in school and Christmas Lunch
19.12.22 9-10.30 am	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Crafts morning for parents in school
19.12.22 2-3.15pm	KS2 Christmas Craft afternoon for parents in school
20.12.22	Whole School visit to Church with parents invited KS2 Carol Concert to be performed at the church
20.12.22	KS1 and KS2 Christmas Parties in classes
21.12.22	EYFS Christmas Party
21.12.22	School will close at <b>2pm</b>

## Christmas jumper swap

The PTA are running a Christmas Jumper donation/swap shop to support all children in being able to wear a Christmas Jumper to school on 9<sup>th</sup> December. If you have any old or unwanted Christmas jumpers still in good condition, please bring them in to the office. Thank you.



## Remembrance day

At 11am today, the whole school gathered together to hold a 2 minute silence to mark the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day. This was to remember the service and sacrifice of all those who have fought for our country and protected our lives.

A special thank you to the Y6s who have been selling poppies in the playground this week and to those who have donated to the Royal British Legion.

## After school clubs

Thank you to all parents and carers who have signed their child up for an after school club. These will be starting from Monday. If your child has received a place, you will have received a text message today to confirm this. We will be running a strict policy around attendance and engagement due to the number of spaces available. If your child misses 2 sessions of the club, there place will be offered to another child on the waiting list.

Day	Class the club is ran for
Monday	Year 1, 2 and 3 Dance Club
Monday	Year 3 and 4 Craft Club
Tuesday	Year 1 and Year 2 Cooking Club
Thursday	Year 5 and 6 Football Club
Thursday	Year 5 and 6 Eco Club

## Odd Socks Day

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November, we are celebrating Odd Socks Day in school. The children are invited to wear odd socks with their uniform for the day, over the top of tights or trousers! This is to raise awareness of anti-bullying. We will be learning more about the significance of this in our assembly too.



## Children in Need

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, it is Children in Need day! The theme of the day this year is SPOTacular. Children are invited to come into school in spotty fancy dress and make a donation of £1 to give to the Children in Need charity.



## Inhalers

If your child is asthmatic, we are asking parents and carers to ensure that:

- Your child has an inhaler in school that is in date, and if not, it is replaced as a matter of urgency
- Your child has a spacer to put onto their inhaler, and if they do not have one in school, it is brought in straight away.
- You have ensured that the class teacher has a signed asthma plan and any update to date information needed has been shared with school.





## PTA World Cup Celebration Day

To celebrate the start of the World Cup in Qatar, starting next week, the PTA have organised a celebration day in school. The children are invited to wear football kit or football related clothing, or sport a world cup themed hair style on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November. In return, the PTA are asking for sweets or chocolates for the Christmas tombola.

In addition to this, there will be a World Cup themed tuck shop ran in the playground at the end of the day.



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Qatar 2022**

## PTA Cinema Afternoon

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, the PTA are holding a movie afternoon with a showing of 'The Grinch'. Tickets will be £3 and includes juice, popcorn, a bag of Haribo and chocolate. More information about buying tickets will be shared with parents and carers soon.



## Date for the EYFS and KS1 nativity

We are inviting parents and carers to see the EYFS and KS1 nativity on the following dates:

- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 6pm
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec at 2pm



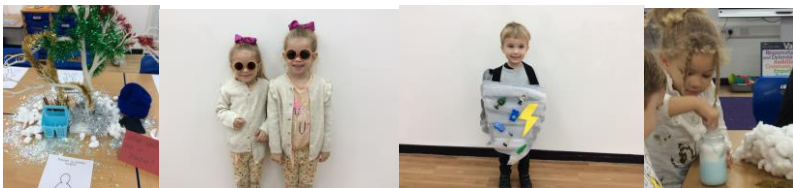
Due to space, we are only able to allocate 2 tickets per child. More information about getting tickets will be shared soon.

## What we've been up to this week!

Year 1 and 2 had a STEM morning on Wednesday. Year 1 and 2 had a fantastic morning putting their scientific skills to the test. We found out all about Robots and how we use them in our daily lives! We then, in groups, designed a robot before using K'nex to build our fantastic creations!



Year 1 also had a 'weather and seasons' day. The children were asked to dress up as a type of weather or season to immerse them into their brand new topic! The outfits were very creative and we were so impressed by everyone's efforts! Thank you to all parents and carers who supported with this!



Mrs Hoffman, a member of the local community, joined us for a singing assembly. Mrs Hoffman is a gospel singer and she taught us two brand new songs to sing! Thank you to Mrs Hoffman for giving up her time to come into school.

### [Children in Need Theme Day Meal](#)

To celebrate Children in Need next Friday, we will be serving a themed meal of:

Chicken/veggie nuggets

Beans

Chips

Pudsey Bear Biscuits

### [Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party Food Meals](#)

We will be serving our Christmas dinner on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December and our Christmas party food on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

**If your child does not normally have school meals, but would like either of these special meals, please let the office know by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November at the latest.**

### [Midday Supervisor Vacancy](#)

We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor in school – if you or someone you know is interested in joining our staff, please contact the school office for an application form.

### [Food Parcels](#)

We have a small number of food parcels donated to school each week, which we can give out to families who may benefit from this. If you would like one of these parcels, please contact the office – either by text, phone or in person.

### [Pre-loved Uniform](#)

As you may know the PTFA have had a large amount of pre-loved uniform donated to them – this has all been washed and is ready for a new home. The bags are currently in reception – if you feel you could make use of any of this spare uniform, please feel free to come in and have a look through it.