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Newsletter Friday 3rd December 2021

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 9th Dec – Christmas cookies and drink £1 DONATION

Friday 10th Dec – INSET DAY school closed to pupils

Friday 17th Dec – Fancy dress day £1 DONATION/ Class Christmas assemblies video link emailed out

Monday 20th Dec – Christmas raffle drawn

Tuesday 21st Dec – Christmas dinner day

Wednesday 22nd Dec – School closes for Christmas break

*****SCHOOL REOPENS ON THURSDAY 6th JANUARY 2022*****

A reminder that school is CLOSED next Friday 10th December for an INSET day



Attendance recognition arrangements:

- ★ The class with the highest overall attendance each week will have the opportunity to 'spin the wheel'. The wheel has many options of fantastic activities children can enjoy, such as wear your slippers day, extra play time and many more!
- ★ Each class who achieves 97% or higher each week, or who show great improvement, will have an own clothes day the following week.
- ★ **ALL children who have over 97% attendance for the year, or who show good improvement of attendance, will have an end of year treat. Attendance monitoring includes broken weeks and lateness. You MUST contact school if your child is late or absent.**

The class with the highest attendance this week is: Y6 Ospreys with an attendance of 98%! Their treat from spinning the wheel is popcorn one day next week, as well as an own clothes day.

Y3/4 Kites will also have an own clothes day next week as their attendance was 98%! Well done.

For the following weeks leading up to Christmas, class teachers will tell you the day for own clothes via Class Dojo as most Fridays are all taken up with fundraising events.

Attendance Procedures

As part of our attendance procedures, we will be requiring proof of any medical appointments. This can be in the form of a text message, an email or a letter for hospital appointments. If you arrive early to collect your child for an appointment, please show the appointment confirmation to the school office staff.

Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please visit <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/free-school-meals/apply-school-grants-free-school-meals> This means that more money is given to school to provide children with additional opportunities, such as free school trips and additional academic support. You will be helping school if your child is eligible for Free School Meals so please do look and apply if you think you may be eligible.

We have a varied menu which changes weekly, so your child will always enjoy a healthy, filling lunch.

Reindeer visit Abingdon!

We were thrilled to welcome Donner and Dasher to Abingdon today! The children were very excited to meet the reindeer and they also learnt a lot of facts about them. Thank you for your kind donations – it was wonderful to see the awe on the children's faces.



Indian Dancing Workshop

On Monday the children enjoyed a visit from the education group who held 'Indian dance workshops across school. These were a mixture of 'traditional dances and Bollywood style dancing'. Children learned about some mudra poses and got to look at some props. Teachers even got involved in the dancing!

Here are some things that the children said:

"It was really fun - KS1 child"

"I think that this was my style of dancing- I loved it- LKS2 child"

"The lady was very nice and patient, we learned lots of mudras and moves, I was proud of myself at the end - UKS2 child"

Mrs Murray's Christmas Stall

Mrs Murray will be holding her annual stall from Monday 6th December. Children can buy gifts for parents/carers for £1. Please send your child in with their money in a named envelope if you want them to purchase an item from the stall.

Y6 Crucial Crew

Year 6 had a great time at Crucial Crew on Tuesday. They learnt lots of important life skills such as: transport safety, healthy eating, and how to remain safe when near roads, rivers and train tracks. The children represented the school extremely well and the visit leaders commented on how mature some of our children are.

School Lottery



This week's lottery winner was a **Y1 parent who won £15.60.**

Congratulations!

Thank you to all who participate and please share the link with wider friends and family – every ticket **helps us receive more funding for school!**

This really helps support our school so, if you can, please do sign up for a weekly ticket. Thank you.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>

How the lottery works

£1 per ticket



That's right, unlike many other lotteries, our lottery tickets are only £1 per week.

Help us do more

For every ticket you play, 76% goes to our school and prizes.



£25,000 grand prize



Match all 6 numbers and you win the JACKPOT!

Finally, well done to Y5/6 Merlins who won the Golden Broom this week for having the tidiest classroom. Well done for setting a fantastic example to others. The Golden Broom is awarded by Mr Bosson in Friday assembly.



Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs Clark
Headteacher

Covid-19 advice

Please refer to our Parent/Carer Q&A guide for queries about Covid-19 in school. [Click here](#) to access it online

The isolation period for COVID-19 is 10 days. See the link below for more information

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

Stockport rates of coronavirus are still rising <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/coronavirus-in-stockport/coronavirus-cases-in-stockport>

The current government advice is still:

If your child is displaying any of these COVID related symptoms

-a high temperature

-a new, continuous cough

-a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

or

if your child receives a positive lateral flow test/PCR test, **they should remain at home**. NHS track and trace will inform all close contacts and advise them to also take a PCR test.

If your child receives a positive lateral flow test, they should take a PCR test as soon as possible to confirm.

Please inform school if anyone in your child's household tests positive for Covid-19.

Lateral Flow Testing

If you wish to participate in lateral Flow testing for your child and family, you can find out further information here:

Information for Parents/Carers

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>