

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to all our wonderful children and families after the half term break! I hope you've had a restful and enjoyable time away from school. It's always a pleasure to see our corridors and classrooms filled with eager faces and bright smiles as we embark on another exciting term of learning and growth.

As we settle back into our school routines, I'm looking forward to the many opportunities and experiences that lie ahead for our school community. Let's approach this new term with enthusiasm, curiosity, and a readiness to embrace all the challenges and triumphs it may bring.

# **Parents Evening**

Parents evening will take place on **Wednesday 2nd April**. We will have appointments available from 3.30pm - 6.30pm. All bookings will open on School Spider at **8.00am** on **Monday 24th March**.

The appointment times, which are allocated to Parents Evening, are only to discuss your child's progress. If you have any other concerns or outstanding issues, they would need to be discussed at another time by contacting the office and making an arranged meeting with your child's teacher, as time on Parents Evening is limited.

Please note, no spaces can be reserved before the bookings go live. If you do not have School Spider, please contact Siobhan prior to this date, who will be able to assist.



# THE BIG EASTER EGG RAFFLE 2025

To raise vital funds for school we will be having an Easter Egg Raffle. All staff in school will donate Easter Eggs which will then be raffled off at the end of the term. We also have two Easter Egg Hampers and a Sweet Hamper to raffle as well. Parents and children are very welcome to bring in donations of eggs too!

Raffle tickets will be available to buy from the main office, KS2 tuck shop and after school from outside the Whitehouse Centre and the main entrance.

# NON-UNIFORM DAY CAKE & BAKE SALE

On THURSDAY 3RD APRIL we will be having a NON-UNIFORM DAY for children and are asking that they bring in an item for our cake stall. These can be homemade or shop bought. Please hand in any donations to your child's class teacher or direct to the office on Thursday 3rd April.

Thank you as always for your continued generosity.

# Attendance

Attendance for this week was 91.6%. Please remember that the expectation is that if your child has a minor illness like a cough or cold, they should still be in school.

A big well done to our attendance winners this week:

1TB - 96.4%

4AG – 94.3%

5JH – 97.8%

# Oral Health Workshop - please join us on 27th March at 9am!

On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March we will be visited by Natasha who is an oral health expert. She will be leading a workshop for parents and carers in the KS1 hall at 9am where she will share valuable tips on how to protect children's teeth from tooth decay. She will cover topics such as how to find a dentist and ways to encourage children to brush their teeth, since many children struggle with this daily task. Parents and carers will also have the opportunity to ask any questions they may have. Throughout the day, Natasha will be running engaging sessions for children in Early Years and



the Acorn room to teach them about the importance of caring for their teeth and gums.

Parents and carers from any year group can attend the workshop - we look forward to seeing you there!

# Year 6 Residential

The Year 6 residential should now be paid in full. If you haven't already cleared your balance, please do so as soon as possible. The children will be travelling PGL Winmarleigh Hall in Preston, by coach, leaving School on the morning of **Wednesday 12th March** and will return by approximately 2.30pm on **Friday 14th March**.

# **House Points**

Congratulations to **House Parks** who is off to a great start with house points this half term. House Parks is the winning house this week with 2,856 points.

And finally, can we once again kindly remind you that if you have any concerns or need to discuss your child's progress, please contact the school office to schedule a meeting. This will help ensure that our staff members can provide you with their full attention and support, without interrupting their start time or their important duties during the school day.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Rudd Executive Headteacher



Once again this year we will be celebrating World Book Day. There will be lots of exciting things that the children will be involved in. School will celebrate World Book Day on

# THURSDAY 6th MARCH

## T-SHIRT DESIGN

As last years T-shirts designs were such a huge success, we will be doing this again this year. Each child will receive a plain white t-shirt to draw/paint their book themed design onto. Children will do in this in class during the day and wear them at a special assembly in the afternoon.

## BRING YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK TO SCHOOL

We are asking children to bring their favourite book to school. During the day, 'snippets' will be read out in class to interest and encourage other children to want to read other stories they may like.

## CRAFT ACTIVITIES

Each year group will take part in their own craft activities during the day ranging from making masks, book reviews, Al character settings and creating puppets. Children will showcase their creations to the rest of the school at the assembly.

## SCHOOL LIBRARY

All children will have a chance to visit our school library throughout the day. They will have the opportunity to choose books to read in school and to use the facilities when they wish.

All children will also receive a £1 World Book Day voucher on the day and their will also be a special World Book Day themed menu in school for the children to enjoy.

If you would like to find out more information about World Book Day, there are ideas, activities and resources at: www.worldbookday.com



# WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 6th March is World Book Day and Pat and the ladies in the kitchen will be preparing a special WORLD BOOK DAY themed menu. Here's what they have planned...

# NEVERLAND BURGER

with wedges & magic BBQ beans JACK's BEANSTALK BURRITO with wedges & garden salad

TOM THUMB'S TOMATO PASTA JAMES' JACKET POTATOES STITCHES SELECTION OF SANDWICHES

PADDINGTON'S ORANGE MARMALADE sponge pudding



Date	Event
MARCH	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	3JE to Manchester Jewish Museum
Thursday 6th March 2025	3KH to Manchester Jewish Museum
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	WORLD BOOK DAY
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	3KS to Manchester Jewish Museum
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday	Year 6 Residential
14 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	
Thursday 13th March 2025	Year 3 trip to see The Magic Flute at the Lowry
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Michelle Leigh, Perspective Artist will be in all day, working with
	Year 2, the Acorn room & the Hive
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Science parent drop in morning. This will take place in your
	child(rens) classroom 9.00-10.00am
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	Year 4 to Chester Zoo
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	PARENTS EVENING BOOKINGS GO LIVE AT 8AM
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Zoo Lab will be in for the Nursery, Acorn, Rainbow & Hive children
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Coffee Morning / Oral Health Workshop at 8.45am in the KS1 Hall
APRIL	
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	PARENTS EVENING 3.30PM – 6.30PM
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	Non Uniform Day / Cake & Bake Sale
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Year 5 to Beeston Castle
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	END OF TERM
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	SCHOOL RE-OPENS