

## WELCOME

### SCHOOL AWARDS

🏆 This week special mentions were awarded to:

**Reception:** Joel, Kol

**Year 1:** Saphyre-Rae, Evie H

**Year 2:** Jessica, Liliana

**Year 3:** Beckford. Alex

**Year 4:** Eli, Amy

**Year 5:** Grace, Nikola

**Year 6:** Charlie, Phoebe

🏆 This week 'Always' awards went to:

**Reception:** Evie

**Year 1:** Lily-Sue

**Year 2:** Harrison

**Year 3:** Jacob

**Year 4:** Jack

**Year 5:** Alfie

**Year 6:** Riley

Our 'Always' children for the week get to spend special time with George on Friday mornings.

🏆 This weeks' Behaviour Raffle prizes were won by:

**Reception:** Sophie

**Year 1:** Evie W

**Year 2:** Lexi

**Year 3:** Jaycie

**Year 4:** Lacie

**Year 5:** Aleks

**Year 6:** Cavan

## 🏆 ATTENDANCE

During the year attendance is monitored daily and each week classes receive awards for their attendance in the previous week.

Last weeks attendance was affected by the weather but a special mention was given to the 88 pupils across school who achieved 100% attendance for the week, well done everyone.

Nursery AM 67.7%,  
Nursery PM 71.6%,  
Reception 76.2%,  
Year 1 79.4%, Year 2 82.3%,  
Year 3 80%, Year 4 74.1%  
Year 5 75.5%, Year 6 68.2%

Our attendance target is 96%

## 🏆 LUNCHTIME AWARDS

On Monday awards for the previous week were given to:

**Reception:** Leila

**Year 1:** Jasmine

**Year 2:** Jamie

**Year 3:** Brandon

**Year 4:** Kayla

**Year 5:** Minnie

**Year 6:** Wilf



FOUNDATION NEWS...  
KIND KANDINSKY

## NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been talking about dragons. We have read some fantastic stories that contain dragons. We

have spoken about our favourite characters and used the story to give a reason why. We have also been learning about alliteration and thinking of words that begin with the same sound.

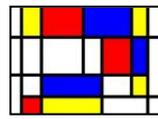
Next week, we will continue to think about alliteration and rhyming words. In Maths, we will be looking at different groups of objects and different things we can count. If your child has an accident and we get them changed in our school clothes, please can you bring these back as soon as possible. We are running very low on things to change children into if they have an accident. Thank you.

### RECEPTION

We have enjoyed exploring different dragon stories this week. We particularly enjoyed the story 'George's Dragon Goes to School' by Claire Freedman. We answered lots of retrieval questions about the story and sequenced the main events. We have been noticing speech marks when reading and have enjoyed using expression when reading aloud to others.

In our Maths we have been developing our problem solving skills using doubling and halving. We have used a variety of resources when solving our problems.

Next week we will be creating our own dragons and will be using words to describe them. In our Maths we will be using a range of resources when adding and subtracting.



### YEAR 1 NEWS....

#### MARVELLOUS MONDRIAN

In Literacy this week we have been researching nocturnal animals and writing facts about them. We then made our own amazing non-fiction book about nocturnal animals. Next week we will be writing character descriptions.

In Maths we have been practising adding and subtracting in different ways. We have also been using the more than and less than signs between our answers to calculations. Next week we will be carrying on with adding and taking away.

Our Big Read was all about retelling the story of Owl Baby. We have had a fantastic time finding out about owls and some even appeared in our classroom (not real ones). Next week we will be doing lots of activities about a surprise special book for World Book Day, which we have rearranged for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Next Wednesday we are taking part in a multi skills tournament at Shafton Outwood Academy. A letter has been sent out, could you please sign and return it as soon as possible? I'm sure we will have as much fun as we have had at the other school tournaments.



### YEAR 2 NEWS....

#### JACKSON POLLOCK

This week in Literacy we continued our work on stories in the wild. We studied the characters carefully making notes about what they look like, how they feel and other things we know about them. We used these notes to write a description of our chosen character using the new vocabulary we had learnt. We then edited our work by making improvements to spelling and grammar and then produced a final draft.

In Maths we completed our work on fractions, finding fractions of shapes and then moved on to using the inverse operation to find answers to missing number calculations. We also worked on adding and subtracting a one digit number to and from a 2 digit number. Lots of practise counting backwards is needed so if children can practise this at home it would be really helpful.

Next week is quiz week where we will get to show off just how much we have learnt so far this year. The children have all worked really hard and this is their opportunity to really test their new skills.



### **YEAR 3 NEWS... SUPER SEURATS**

Year 3 have had yet another fantastic week. We have pulled together in class and really worked hard. Literacy lessons have had a SPaG focus this week we have really challenged ourselves with our work on commas. In PE lessons we have practiced lots of different PE skills in preparation for our upcoming multi-skills competition.

Next week we will be looking at money in Maths, please help us by making sure that your child knows the value of our English coins.



### **YEAR 4 NEWS... PERFECT PICASSO**

This week in Year 4 we have been learning something new in Maths using co-ordinates and translating points and shapes on a grid. Some of us found this quite tricky but by the end of the week we all seem to have got it. In Literacy we have moved on to look at persuasive texts aiming to write our own persuasive letter by the end of next week. This week we have looked at the features

of persuasive letters and the sentence types we might use in our letters. Everyone has practiced using words to show time and cause, including using a comma to separate the subordinate clause. In Topic we have researched who Ann Frank was and found out what her life was like during WW2. We found out how Jewish people were treated in the war and how Ann's diary helped us to understand what WW2 was like for her family and many other Jewish families. In PE we have been learning lots of new skills with Team Activ and we are now building on these skills to play team games we are all really enjoying these sessions.

### **Year 3/4 trip to Murton Park reminder:**

Can I please remind all parents that children are dressing as an evacuee for the trip.



### **YEAR 5 NEWS... BRILLIANT BANKSY**

This week in Year 5, we have been writing our World War 1 reports using parenthesis, fronted adverbials, editing, and improving our writing using dictionaries and a Thesaurus. In Maths, we have been looking at addition, subtraction and multiplication. Next week, we will be writing an assessed report on the war and completing our Maths assessments. This week we have also created Mother's Day cards as well as worked on recognising

different materials in Science. World Book Day has been re-arranged for next Friday and we are all excited to see everyone's costumes. Well done to all the children who completed the Reading Miles Challenge, awards for this will be handed out on Book Day. Can we please also remember that we have an extra P.E session this half term on a Wednesday and indoor kit of white shirt and black shorts is required.



#### YEAR 6 NEWS .... LIBERAL LOWRY

We have had a really productive week in Year 6 as the children have continued their SATs work with great enthusiasm and determination. Attendance at booster sessions has reached an all time high which is fantastic - remember it's never too late to start attending! It will make a difference even now! Next week we will focus on summarising skills in reading whilst in Maths our focus will be percentages and associated word problems. In SPaG we will focus on pronouns and commands.

Please don't forget World Book Day will now be held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March, and we have also released the much awaited leavers party date.

#### PUPIL PROGRESS MEETING DATES

Letters will be coming out shortly, the dates for meetings will be:

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| Y4        | 20/03/2018 |
| Nursery   | 16/04/2018 |
| Y3        | 16/04/2018 |
| Reception | 17/04/2018 |
| Y1        | 17/04/2018 |
| Y5        | 19/04/2018 |
| Y6        | 19/04/2018 |
| Y2        | 20/04/2018 |

#### EASTER EGG ROLLING COMPETITION

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March and as part of our Easter activities in school we are asking all children to bring a hard-boiled egg to school for an egg rolling competition.

Prizes will be awarded to the winners!!



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

##### FUTURE EVENTS

- 14.03.18 Y1/2 multi skills competition
- 15.03.18 Y3/4 multi skills competition
- 16.03.18 WORLD BOOK DAY
- 20.03.18 EGG ROLLING COMPETITION
- 21.03.18 Y3 trip to Murton Park
- 22.03.18 Y4 trip to Murton Park
- 23.03.18 SPORT RELIEF (come in sports kit)
- 23.03.18 Last day of Spring term
- 26.03.18 School closed for 2 weeks for Easter Holidays
- 09.04.18 School re-opens
- 11.04.18 Robinwood Residential (3 days)
- 16.04.18 Y3 swimming lessons start
- 03.05.18 Polling day - Nursery & Reception Closed
- 04.05.18 Visit to London Houses of Parliament (letters coming out next week)
- 07.05.18 May Day bank holiday - school closed
- 28.05.18 School closed all week - half term Holiday
- 04.06.18 School re-opens
- 19.06.18 Y5 Music Festival (Metrodome)
- 18.07.18 Year 6 Leavers Party
- 20.07.18 Last day of Summer term for pupils
- 23.07.18 Inset day - school closed
- 24.07.18 Summer holiday starts

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