

Dairy Dates

Wed 31st Jan
Fri 9th February
Mon 19th February
Thurs 28th March
Mon 15th April
Monday 6th May
13th – 17th May
Friday 24th May
Monday 3rd June
Tuesday 23rd July

Book at Bedtime – see below

Last day of Term 3
INSET Day – school closed to children
Last day of Term 4
First day of Term 5
Bank holiday
KS2 SATs week
Last day of Term 5
First Day of Term 6
Last day of Term 6

Star Reader Challenge

The winners of the Autumn Term Reading Raffle each received a £10 book token. Congratulations to Wilfred (Y2), Izzy (Y3) & Tom (Y5)

A reminder

We would like to remind you that the school gate is opened at 8.30am each morning & closed promptly at 8.45am. We expect all children to be in school **before 8.45am**, ready to start the day. Children arriving late are very disruptive to the whole class.

THANK YOU



Santa Dash & Fair

Thank you for coming along and supporting the Santa dash and fair at the end of the Autumn term. It was a great way to end the term and the PTFA raised a grand total of £566. At the end of the fair, the PTFA presented the school with a den building set to support our outdoor learning provision and the surplus fundraising will be used to provide other exciting resources.

Awards

Week commencing 01/01/24

R/KS1 Learner of the week: Emily (Y2) Role Model: Alfie W (Y2)
Y 3/4 Learner of the week: Isla (Y3) Role model: Whole Class
Y 5/6 Learner of the week: Zlata (Y6) Role Model: Toby (Y6)



Week commencing 08/01/24

R/KS1 Learner of the week: Oliver (YR) Role Model: Marnie (Y2)
Y 3/4 Learner of the week: Josh (Y3) Role model: Molly (Y4)
Y 5/6 Learner of the week Florence (Y6) Role Model: Sam (Y6)

The Headteacher's award last week went to Mila (Y4) for her positive attitude and engagement with her learning. This week it was presented to Oliver (YR) for his hard work and enthusiasm.

Happy New Year

As a school, we started the year by reflecting on our three behaviour rules: Be ready; be respectful and be safe. When the pupils were asked 'Where will we see these rules?', we discussed that they were not just words up on the wall, but actions that are lived out by everyone within our school community. In addition, we talked about being kind and having a positive attitude.

This term's value is perseverance. We looked at the following verse in the Bible:

"Let us run with perseverance the race that lies before us. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from the beginning to end" Hebrews 12.1-2 and linked the idea about life being a journey, with many ups and downs.

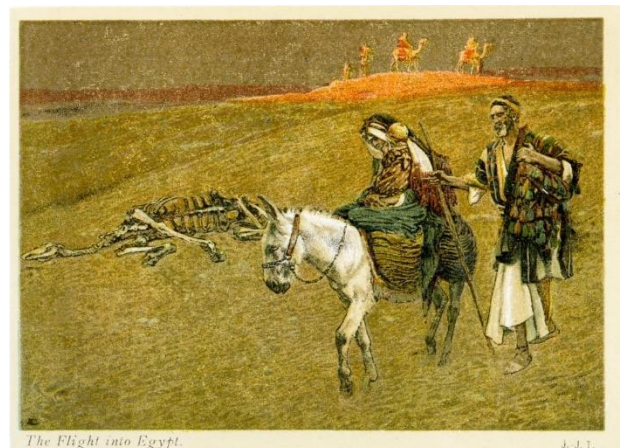
OFSTED

We are waiting to receive the final OFSTED report and for it to be made available to parents and the wider community.

We have provisionally set a date for the next Parents', Head and Governors forum meetings for 8th February (9am & 7pm). At these meetings we will discuss the OFSTED report and next steps. In addition, we will discuss personal development and enrichment opportunities. If the OFSTED has not been published before this date, then we will look at postponing to after the half term break.

In worship this week we looked at Epiphany and also discussed 'Keeping going against all the odds' linked to a painting called

'The Flight into Egypt' by James Tissot and the story of a refugee. We talked about refugees in the past and that there are millions of refugees around the World still fleeing from danger today.



Kind regards

Graham Pike
Headteacher

Book at Bedtime

We will be holding a 'Books at Bedtime' event on Wednesday 31st January, from 3:30-5:00pm. The children staying to this event after school, can bring pyjamas to change into at the end of the day. They will listen to stories in their classrooms read by a range of adults in school. The event will be finished by having hot chocolate in the school hall. This will be provided by the PTFA. We hope as many of the children as possible will be able to attend this event.



Enrichment clubs

We are pleased to be able to offer the following Enrichment Clubs for Term 3 & 4:

Tag Rugby Club for KS2

Mondays 3.15pm to 4.15pm with Mr Pike.

Dates: 5th Feb, 26th Feb, 4th March, 11th March & 25th March.

Children will need to bring kit to school to get changed into and bring trainers (and studded boots if they have them)

The aim of the club will be to develop a team to play competitive fixtures against other schools.

Playground Games for KS2

Tuesdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm with Mr Watkins

Dates: 20th Feb, 27th Feb, 5th March, 12th March, 19th March & 26th March

Children will need warm clothing & suitable footwear

First Aid Club for KS2

Thursdays 3.15pm to 4.15pm with Mrs Moore

Dates: 18th Jan, 25th Jan, 1st Feb, 8th Feb, 22nd Feb, 29th Feb, 7th March, 14th March & 21st March.

Children will follow a programme of learning set by St Johns Ambulance. Please bring suitable clothing.

Please book all clubs on Arbor & make a note of the dates the clubs are running

If your child is interested in joining the club and they are offered a place, there will be the expectation that they will be committed and attend each week unless they inform us with a reason why they can't attend.

Swift Sports Club on Tuesdays will be offered to KS1 children only, on Tuesday evenings after Half Term.

Rest & Relaxation Club

Monday & Wednesday lunchtimes with Mrs Woodcock & Mrs West

No need to sign up for this club. Initially we will be offering this club to children who we would think it would benefit. Teachers may identify children on the day to come and children will be made aware of the club and can speak to their teacher about coming. We will be offering a quiet space to enjoy some of the following type of activities: board games, Lego, cards, chess, jigsaws, art, drawing, colouring, craft, Origami,