



Message from Ms Heather

As many of you will be aware, we received a call from OFSETD on Monday to let us know that school would be inspected on the following two days. Although, this can be a very stressful time for schools, I am incredibly proud to say that staff, as always, worked tirelessly to support our children. The children themselves were amazing! Inspectors commented on their positive learning behaviours, excellent manners and welcoming smiles. They did the school and their families proud.

Thank you to parents who took the time to complete the survey. There were many supportive comments which are truly appreciated by everyone in school. Any concerns that were raised will be taken on board as we are continuously trying to make improvements.

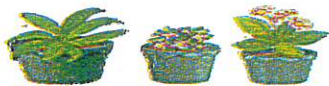
As soon as we receive the report from OFSTED, it will of course be shared on our website.

Once again, thank you for your support.

Can you help?

We are always looking for volunteers to help in various ways in school. It may be to support in forest school, hear readers, sewing club? If you have a little spare time and might be interested, please contact the office in the first instance.

In particular, if there are any budding gardeners out there, we would really like to develop the school grounds, including a vegetable patch and compost area.



Further Reminders

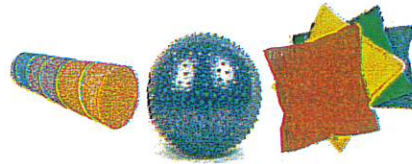
A reminder that appropriate footwear in school is black shoes or trainers. Converse trainers are not school uniform.

Children who are unable to take out their earrings will not be allowed to physically take part in P.E lessons.

We thank you for your support in helping us keep children safe.

Breakfast Clubs

Just a reminder that any children in years 1, 2 and 3 who would like to come into school early for sensory circuits are welcome to do so. It runs from 8:20 until 8:40 and takes place in the hall. There are fun activities set up designed to improve the children's core strength which will support them with fine motor skills including handwriting.



Maths club is also open to children in year 3, 4 and 5 every morning. The children can practice their times tables on TT Rockstars and basic number skills.



Soft Start is still available from 8:20 in the Nurture room for any children who are finding it difficult to transition into school at the start of the day.

Key Dates- Spring 2

A reminder that school will be closed on Friday 14th February for INSET day.

Uniform swap Shop, organised by DPP, will no longer be taking place due to a lack of interest following the parent survey.

Parents evening will take place week beginning 10th February. Our new online system has proved to be a great success. Thank you to all of those who have signed up already. There is still an opportunity to book a parents evening appointment until 12:00 midday on Friday 7th February, if you haven't already done so.

Spring 1 reading reward will take place on Friday 28th February. Further details to follow.

Half Term: Mon 17th Feb to Fri 21st Feb

Children returning to school: Mon 24th Feb

Key Information

P.E days for Spring 2 are as follows:

Reception: Thursday

Year 1: Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 2: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3: Wednesday and Friday

Year 4: Monday and Friday

Year 5: Wednesday

Year 6: Monday

Forest School: Year 6 every Tuesday

Mrs Ellerton will send further information regarding morning and afternoon sessions for year 6 pupils.

Working Together

Several parents have expressed concerns about dogs being off the lead close to the school entrance. For everyone's safety, please keep dogs on a lead around the school entrance and immediate area. Dogs are not to be brought onto the school site under any circumstance.

Please check lost property before the end of term as all items will be taken to the local charity shop after half term.

Family Learning Workshops

Throughout the second half of the Spring term, we will be inviting parents into school to work with their child as part of our Diversity and British Values workshops.

All of the family engagement sessions will take place at 1:30 on the following dates:

6th March - Year 6

7th March - Year 5

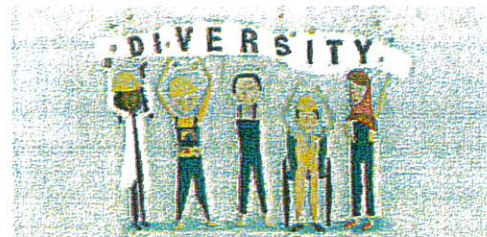
13th March- Reception

14th March- Year 4

19th March - Year 2

20th March -Year 3

21st March - Year 1



We hope you are able to join us.

Finally, I would like to say a big thank you for your patience and flexibility with the new changes to the start of the school day. We have received lots of positive feedback and school is a very calm place in the mornings.