

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 25th September 2024

Attendance

You have 190 days to come to school and 175 to do everything else!

Regular attendance at school is significant to a child's educational development and progress. There is now greater [Government drive to improve attendance](#). We hope that by working together, attendance will improve and children will achieve fully in school. Please click on the [link](#) to see the guidance for parents regarding attendance: We reward good attendance each week and are aiming for at least 96% attendance. **Year 1 again had the highest attendance for the last week with – 100%**. Other class attendance was as follows: Y3 - 98.3%, Y4 - 97.9%, Y6 - 97.2%, Y2 - 94.6%, Y5 - 94.3%, R - 92.8%, N - 88.1%

The classes in **green** are above our target of **96%** and those in **red** are below, some significantly below. We will be targeting those with poor attendance.

If you are unable to call school, e.g no credit on your phone, please use School Spider * to report the absence or click [here](#) to send an email to let us know, please try to let us know by 9.00AM. *You will need to log into School Spider to do this, if you need help logging in, please let school know.*

Please see the [school attendance policy](#).

Info for parents from the DfE regarding fines: [Fines for parents for taking children out of school](#)

Lunchtime Welfare Job Vacancy

We currently have two vacancies for Welfare Assistants at our school working for 1 hour 15 minutes per day at lunch to support KS1 children. If you are interested, or a grandparent or neighbour, please pass this information on, an application form is attached to the newsletter and is also on our [website](#).

Bleed Kit

You may remember that all school took part in a sponsored school to school running even last year to raise funds for bleed kits. With the increase in knife crime it is sadly the case that we all felt we needed the kits for our communities. The kit is now in a locked box on Ronald Ross Avenue outside the car park main gates should the need arise – dial 999 and follow instructions. Hopefully we will never need to use it as we are working with our children on being a respectful member of our community and how to avoid conflict situations.

School Harvest Festival

This year school have been told we cannot join the Sunday morning service as we have done for so many years previously so we will be holding our own service in school on Friday 4th October at 2.15pm. All parents/carers are welcome to join us. We will be collecting food packages as normal for local charities. Please send in any tinned or packaged food that you can spare. All gifts will be gratefully received.

Mentor Lunch 03.10.24

We are holding our first mentor lunch of the school year on 03.10.24. Envelopes are being sent home for children in Year 3 to Year 6 today.

Asda Rewards

The 'My Asda' app allows customers to choose a primary school to donate their rewards to. 0.5% of the value of their shop. It is then put into a pot for the school, if you scan their app when paying. If you could please add the app if you shop in Asda and think of us when paying that would be really helpful; Thank you.

Please note that your own rewards will remain the same and you can literally help us for free by selecting our school.

<https://corporate.asda.com/newsroom/2024/02/09/asda-rewards-makes-millions-available-to-primary-schools-with-industry-first-loyalty-programme-giveaway>

Coffee Morning

The Mental Health support team will be visiting school on 15th October to help parents and carers with 'supporting your child with worries and anxiety.' It will run from 9-10am in the school hall.

Dates for Next Year 2024/25

For school term dates for the forthcoming academic year and upcoming events for this year, please see the school calendar on our [website](#).

Events for This Half Term

Year 3 will be swimming every Wednesday afternoon.

Beth Tweddle Gymnastics coaches for Years 3 & 5 every Tuesday afternoon.

26 th September	European Day of Languages
27 th September	TT Rockstars Competition for KS2 – get learning those timetables
3 rd October	Mentor Lunch
4 th October	Year 1 & 2 to visit Martin Mere

2.15pm – Harvest festival in school hall, NOT Church – all welcome to join us.

We are collecting for our harvest gifts, any donations of tinned or packet food, please bring into either school office or send into class with your children

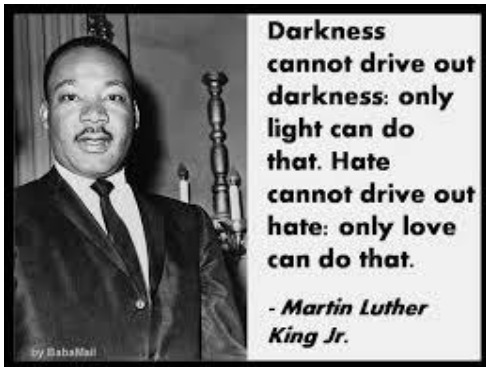
8 th October	PM Year 5 to Goals (small team)
10 th October	World Mental Health Day
14 th October	PM Y4 team to Goals
15 th October	0900 – 1000 Coffee Morning in school hall
18 th October	Individual school photographs
25 th October	TT Rockstars competition for KS2
Finish for half term	

CAMHS

The Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) put together a monthly newsletter for parents and professionals, signposting support such as groups, training and workshops. Click the [link](#) to have a look and see if there is anything of any interest. If you have any questions you can contact Mrs Keiley (SENDco and Mental Health lead) via the school office.

Christian Values This month's Christian Value is **Friendship**. **Ephesians 4:32** "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you"

Article 3: The best interests of the child must be a top priority in all things that affect children.



A Prayer for our School

*This is our school,
Let peace dwell here,
let peace begin with me.
Let the room be full of contentment
Let love abide here
Love of human kind, love of life itself
And love of God
Let us remember that as many hands build
a house,
Many hearts build a school.
Amen*



Yours sincerely,

Miss E Murtagh
Headteacher

