

Headteacher's Update

Our Spring Term is well under way and the Christmas festivities seem like a distant memory! It has been a busy start to the new term, with our Year 1 children starting swimming lessons and dance teacher, Cora-Ann coming in to school to teach the children some new moves! We have welcomed some new children into our nursery and they have settled in wonderfully and are enjoying making new friends.

Mrs Allen

Headteacher



Upcoming Diary Dates

February:

Friday 2nd - NSPCC Numbers Day

Tuesday 6th - Internet Safety Day

Thursday 15th - Mrs Cruise's Class Assembly, 2pm

Friday 16th - School closes for half term holiday

Monday 26th - School reopens

Tuesday 27th - School Photographs

March:

Thursday 7th - World Book Day

Friday 8th - Mrs Simpson's Class Assembly



Attendance from 1st September 2023

Overall whole school attendance - **94.9%**

Target - **96%**

Class	Attendance %
Mrs Simpson	94.9%
Miss Lumsden / Mrs Scotter	93.7%
Miss Clarke	96.4%
Mrs Cruise	94.5%



Congratulations to this weeks winners of the attendance bear

Miss Clarke's class



REPORT AN ABSENCE

If your child is absent you must contact the school office on 0191 917 1910 before 8.45am and leave a message with your name, your child's full name and the reason for their absence.

As a school, we have a responsibility to follow up absences for all children, including those who attend our nursery provision.



Please do not send any urgent messages via Class Dojo, as the teachers aren't always able to check them throughout the day



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility! If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact school and speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads, Mrs Allen, Miss Lumsden, or Mrs Scott



PRE-LOVED UNIFORMS

We have a range of good quality, pre-loved school uniform and coats in our reception area that have been washed and bagged. Please feel free to take anything you need and leave a small donation, if possible. We would welcome any donations of good quality, pre-loved uniform.



Please remember to follow our school social media pages to keep up to date with all the exciting activities and learning that the children have been taking part in



We are continuing to promote regular attendance to try to achieve, or exceed our school target of 96%.

Please see below some useful information about different illnesses and whether it is necessary to keep your child off school. If in doubt, please contact the school office on 0191 917 1910



Do I need to keep my child off school?



Chicken Pox At least 5 days from onset of rash and until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Diarrhea & /or Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Respiratory Illness (e.g colds & flu) Can return when no longer have a high temperature and well enough	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	
Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off if well enough, but school or nursery should be informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotics	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	German Measles (Rubella) 5 days from onset of rash
Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Scabies Until after first treatment	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Tonsillitis Can return when no longer have a temperature and well enough, school or nursery should be informed	Whooping Cough 48 hours after commencing antibiotics

Use this guide to find out when they should stay off, and when they can go back if they are well enough to do so.