



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone! It's the last week of Autumn 1 and next week is half term holidays. I have been really impressed with how well the teachers, support staff and children have taken to the Bug Club, My Maths and Times Tables Rockstars homework. Thank you to the parents/carers who have supported and ensured the children are doing their work. Please also make sure children are reading their reading books—banded and free choice everyday. Reading is the most important part of any learning and we have to help and support our children in acquiring their independent reading and comprehension skills. I had given out so many certificates in the rewards assemblies today! Last week was Mental health week and together we managed to raise £288.07 for the Young Minds charity. I would like to wish our Tamil, Hindu and Sikh pupils and families a Happy Diwali, Happy Deepavali and Happy Bandi Chor Diwas. **Ms Buttar**

CLASS ATTENDANCE OF THE WEEK

Important dates :

- 18th October—Staff Training Day (no school for children)
- 21st to 25th October—Half term holidays
- 28th October—Children back to school
- 29th October—PTA Halloween Disco YR, Y1 & Y2
- 30th October—PTA Halloween Disco Y3, Y4 & Y5
- 11th December & 12 December— Reception / KS1 Nativity
- 12th December Year 4 trip to Windsor Castle

Class Assemblies :

- 8th November 2019—4NP
- 15th November 2019—4AM
- 22nd November 2019- 4ML

Which class had the best attendance for the week ending 11/10/2019?

Class of the week is : **Fox**

1 st	Fox	99%
2 nd	5SM	97.6%
3 rd	5KW	97.3%
4 th	4NP	97.2%
4 th	3HA	97.2%
5 th	Otter	97%
5 th	Mole	97%
6 th	5SP	96.2%
7 th	Ladybird	95%
7 th	Butterfly	95%
8 th	3AD	94.1%
9 th	Squirrel	93.3%
10 th	4AM	92.4%
11 th	Badger	91.9%
12 th	3CM	90.9%
13 th	Grasshopper	90.7%
14 th	4ML	89.3%
15 th	Rabbit	89.2%

Which class had the best attendance for the week ending 04/10/2019?

Class of the week is : **5SM**

1 st	5SM	97.8%
2 nd	5SP	96.6%
3 rd	3CM	96.3%
4 th	4NP	96%
4 th	Otter	96%
5 th	Fox	95%
6 th	5KW	94.4%
6 th	Butterfly	94.4%
7 th	3HA	92.9%
8 th	Ladybird	92.2%
8 th	Grasshopper	92.2%
9 th	Mole	91.7%
10 th	Rabbit	91.1%
11 th	4AM	90.8%
12 th	3AD	90.5%
13 th	Badger	88.9%
13 th	Squirrel	88.9%
14 th	4ML	87.9%

Nursery : The children have been exploring colour through a range of activities, the most popular being, making hand prints using a range of different materials to cover their hands such as paint brushes, rollers, sponges and dipping hands in paint. This week they are reading the story of Elmer - a patchwork elephant in all different colours. Some of the children have started to use new vocabulary, describing Elmer as being colourful, like a rainbow and beautiful like a rainbow. The children have also been introduced to the rainbow song and have been singing this, performing the song with an action of making an arch shape using their arms. Lots of learning going on already!

Year 1 : We have been learning about addition and subtraction using number lines and manipulatives to solve number sentences. We now know that when adding we count forwards on the number line and when subtracting we count backwards. We have enjoyed learning about traditional tales this half term and reading different traditional stories. We have enjoyed using different forms of media to recreate characters from the stories and role play the stories. Science has been all about exploring materials around us. We found out that paper is made from trees, cotton grows on trees and metal is made from broken rocks that are heated and left to cool. We have enjoyed getting to know each other and understanding our routines. Please refer to our curriculum map for all the learning that will be taking place in Autumn 2.

Year 3 : In English we learnt about instructions. Pupils had to create, edit and publish their own set of instructions. We have been also learning and writing fact files about Rosa Parks, during Black History Month. In Maths we have been practising adding and subtracting 2 and 3 digit numbers. Pupils learnt to carry forward a ten or exchanging. In Science we have learnt about muscles and teeth. Pupils had to conduct an investigation related to the role of muscles in the human body. In Geography, we have been researching in Atlases the main rivers and mountains in UK.

Year 5 : Children have had a very busy last few weeks of the half term. As well as writing our non-chronological reports on our aliens and becoming experts on factors and multiples we have had two visits from Paul (an inventor and toy maker!)

On his first visit we made moon buggies. We used hammers, glue guns and many other materials to make our moon buggies move. Some of us even managed to design a switch so our moon buggies could stop and start!

On his second visit we made orrerys! We cannot wait to share our designs with our families and teach you all about the solar system. Next half term, we are to become experts on Africa.

Reception : Children have been learning about 2D shapes and numbers. They have been looking at the properties of 2D shapes and been making models using shapes too. In literacy children have been learning to give meaning to the marks they make and also are beginning to hear the initial sound in words. We have been learning all about Diwali and why it is important to some people. Children looked at how it is celebrated and have created their own divas (candle holders) and have written their Diwali cards.

Year 2 : We have really enjoyed learning about the Wonders of the World. In English we have been learning about our furry little friends in the South of Africa, the Meerkats and have written fact files about their habitat, diet, appearance and found out some interesting facts. We used different sources to find our information and compared fiction and non-fiction to see what was the most useful and why. In Maths we been focusing on using different methods for addition and subtraction and then applying these in word problems. Throughout this term we have been growing cress and bulbs in class and observing their growth. The children will bring home their cress to eat with you, it will taste delicious in an egg and cress sandwich.

Year 4 : We have had a super busy end to the first half term of Year 4. We have worked very hard editing our descriptive writing about Windsor Castle and have now published our writing. We have also further explored addition and subtraction using 4 digit-numbers and applied this knowledge to solve two step word problems. We have enjoyed learning all about electricity and our favourite lesson was investigating whether a material was an electrical insulator or conductor. After half term children will be exploring the British Monarchy and visiting Windsor Castle! Additionally, we are also excited for our class assemblies next term!

Healthy Lunch & food allergies :

The school is trying to promote healthy packed lunches, with a good balance of foods from across the food groups. Non-fizzy drinks can be included, provided they are in an unbreakable container. **Nuts and peanut butter /Nutella sandwiches are not allowed, as we have children in school with severe allergies.**

Fruit for KS2 children for their break time :

We try to promote healthy eating in school and so we ask children to bring in fruit or vegetables as a snack at playtime. Please label your children's healthy snack to help us make sure they can eat what they have brought in (a named freezer bag works well). **Crisps, sweets, cereal bars and biscuits are not permitted. ONLY FRUIT OR VEGETABLE.**