



# Newsletter

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## Attendance

Reg	Average
Rec	96.13
Year 1	96.3
Year 2	95.4
Year 3	96.5
Year 4	96.7
Year 5	96.7
Year 6	96.7
Nursery AM	92.1
Nursery Pm	92.0
School Average	95.8

Well done to Years 4,5 and 6 who are the winners for the week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> January. I have highlighted Nursery am and pm in Red because their attendance is far too low. Please ensure your child attends school every day.

## Dear Parents/ Carers

In this Newsletter you will read about the changes that will be happening to the Parent Reading Project and what we are going to do with the children who are late for school.

Our next parent review day will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March. This will be an opportunity for you to hear about your child's progress and talk about how they can make even more progress .

Fiona Cullen  
Head Teacher

## Late Children

When children arrive late at school they miss their reading time. This is a vital part of the school day so, starting from 8th February, **children who are late for school will be kept in at playtime** to catch up with their reading. Please ensure that you leave home in plenty of time to get to school at 8.40am. Some families travel a long way to continue to attend this school, please ensure that you take into account the fact that there might be a build up of traffic on your journey and leave earlier. There are school staff on duty in the playgrounds from 8.30am so the children can play safely before the doors open. Remember lessons start at 8.50am so your children must be in school before then.

## Term Time Leave:

Changes in the law mean that the Head Teacher no longer has discretion to allow pupils to take term time leave. If you take your child out of school for any reason you will receive a fine for £60 per child per parent. This means that the mum will be fined £60 for each child and the dad will be fined £60 for each child.

## What to do if your child is sick for more than a week.

If your child is sick for more than a week then we require medical evidence so that we can authorise the absence. If your child has chicken pox you must also send evidence of that. This can be a photograph of the child.



## Roll of Honour

This is a special board next to Ms Cull's office. If a child does something special outside school or becomes a times table titan their photograph will be displayed for everyone to see.

### This week:

**Janaki Pillai** gained distinction in her grade 4 drama exam.

**Tanvir Muhammad** T5 Times Table Titan

**Shivom Mittra** T5-3 Times Table Titan

**Khadija Parri** T5-3 Times Table Titan

**Did you know the government expects every child to know their times tables to 12x12 by the time they leave year 4. Please help your child to learn them!**

## Read to Me Project

After half term the Parent Reading Project will have a new name. It will be called the **Read to Me Project**. We have taken this decision because some parents are finding it hard to read to their children and we need to get other people to support them. We will still invite parents to school to share the certificate with their child but if someone else has supported them we will get that person to come to the assembly too.

Research has shown that children who have had **stories read to them do very much better** than those who don't. Please remember that this is the reading homework for Reception and Year 1 and therefore, is **compulsory**.

## Dates for your diary

11<sup>th</sup> February - Chinese New Year Assembly Yr 2

15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February – School closed half term

22<sup>nd</sup> February Year 3 start swimming

17<sup>th</sup> March – Holi Assembly Yr 3

18<sup>th</sup> March PARENT REVIEW DAY

24<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Assembly Yr 4

7<sup>th</sup> March to 10<sup>th</sup> March Spring Festival

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March First Day of Easter Holidays

## Discover Children's story centre

Discover Children's Story Centre, is a place where children and their families can enjoy playing learning and making up stories together.

Michael Rosen is a very popular author and the Discover Centre is promoting his work. There is an excellent exhibition based on the Bear Hunt – your children will really enjoy looking round and taking part in the bear hunt. Please note that pre booking is advised for *Bear Hunt*, *Chocolate Cake* and *Bad Things*. During term time Tues - Fri the exhibition is open from 3-5pm which is not pre-bookable and on a first come first served basis. **Booking is now open for Michael Rosen's [The Big Write 2016](#) - Discover's annual Children's Literature festival running from 3-11 March, including Chris Riddell, Joseph Coelho, Sam Lloyd, Cerrie Burnell, Horrible Science's Tony De Saulles and of course Michael Rosen. (Please book for The Big Write by phone only - call 020 8536 5555).**

To find out everything that Discover has to offer on a day out please visit the website:

<http://www.discover.org.uk/>

£5\* adult/child

£18 family of 4

FREE under 2s

