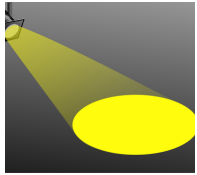




BALSHAW LANE NEWSLETTER



Spotlight this week on Music.

Reception have been singing "I have a grumpy face" and thinking about how different music makes us feel.

Year 1 have been doing call and response with the menu song.

Year 2 have enjoyed learning an action song "Tony Chestnut." They have also listened to Carnival of Animals.

Year 3 have been recognising symmetrical patterns in songs.

Year 4 have been exploring the song "This little light of mine" and learning about the influential singer Sister Rosetta Thorpe. They have explored the key features of gospel music and developed their understanding of how to incorporate gospel techniques into their singing.

Year 5 have been focusing on gospel and spiritual music from the United States. With a spotlight on contemporary gospel artist Kirk Franklin and his take on the song "Wade in the Water."

Year 6 have been listening to 1970's soul music and comparing different cover versions.



In assembly we are listening to and appreciating the music from Tracy Chapman.

We are so lucky to have so much music as part of our wider curriculum:

Singing assembly every week and we always start each assembly with a song!

Rock Steady music groups every Wednesday and Friday afternoon.

Singing Club with Mrs Hamilton.

Our wonderful Mrs Hewardine offers ukelele and drum clubs every week.

Peripatetic teachers who come in to teach children a range of musical instruments.

We also enjoy performing and singing as part of each year group assembly or performance.

Music makes us happy!



Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to all the children who received a Headteacher Award in last week's assembly.

Congratulations to all the children who received a Headteacher Award in the previous week's assembly.

RA Xander
1A Lvy
2M Florence
3J Elliott
4B Bodhi
5G Mason
6B Benedict

RT Josh
1HP Ruby
2W Leia
3H Bella
4D Freddie
5W Kiera
6H Tiana

RA Raevyan
1A Archie
2M Darcey
3H Rae
4B Asher
5G Marley
6B Emily

1HP Casey
2W Norah
3J Xander
4D Pippa
5W Jessica
6H Poppy



Attendance and Punctuality

Whole School Attendance for this academic year is: 96.7%.

Well done to RA, RT, 1HP, 4D and 5G for all being on time this week. AMAZING!

	R A	R T	1H P	1A	2 W	2 M	3 H	3J	4 B	4 D	5 G	5 W	6 H	6 B
Attendance for last week	96 %	98 %	100 %	93 %	97 %	99 %	97 %	98 %	99 %	95 %	94 %	98 %	96 %	97 %
Punctuality - how many lates?	0	0	0	4	1	2	2	1	3	0	0	2	3	1

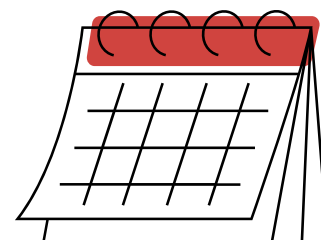
Team Points

The winners this week were:

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Dates for this term



October

- Thurs 15th Parents' Evening 2pm-6pm
Learning Quiz
Friday 16th Playgroup in the hall for children (0-4 years) and families at 9:30am
Break up for half term holiday at 3:20pm

November

- Tuesday 3rd Children return to school
Thursday 5th Reception – Come and Learn With Us at 2:30-3:20pm
Friday 6th Y2 Class Assembly @9:15am
Tuesday 10th SEND Coffee Morning at 9:15am
Friday 13th Y6 Class Assembly @9:15am
Week beg 16th Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 16th Odd Socks Day
Wed 18th Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Tues 24th PTFA Film Night
Friday 27th Playgroup in the hall for children (0-4 years) and families at 9:30am
Mon 30th Y5/6 Theatre Trip

December

- Monday 1st Y1/2 Christmas Production at 2pm and 5:30pm
Wed 2nd Chapins Pantomime for reception and years 1 and 2
Friday 4th Reception Christmas Come and Learn With Us at 9:15am
Mon 7th Y3/4 Theatre Trip
Wed 9th Y5 Christmas Performance @2pm and 6pm
Thurs 10th Y3/4 Christmas Performance @2pm and 6pm
Mon 14th Y6 Christmas Singing at Euxton Parish Church at 6pm
14th/15th PTFA Christmas Stalls
Wed 16th Y3/4 Christmas Singing – Senior Citizens Party
Learning Quiz Day
Thurs 17th KS1 and KS2 Christmas Parties
Friday 18th Playgroup in the hall for children (0-4 years) and families at 9:30am
Break Up for Christmas at 1:30pm

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Hodgson.