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This week our attendance was...

94%

Oh no – let's get 96% next week!

20th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I'd like to say a massive thank you to all the parents (and children) who came to my aid and sent their best wishes after my very dramatic fall in the playground on Wednesday morning. I can't remember much apart from my head rebounding off the concrete. The hospital confirmed concussion and although I'm very achy all over I am well on the mend now. At least it demonstrated to the children playing on the ice, who I was walking over to talk to, that it can be dangerous, I didn't even have to say anything!

Super hero day:

We have had an amazing day in school today as superheroes, including a hero run. 5/6JP has been working closely with their chosen charity, the ABF Soldiers Charity and I'd just like to congratulate them on organising this whole school day. You've all worked so hard 5/6JP – Well done, I'm so proud of you!

Grundy Art Gallery

In December, a number of children from school visited the Grundy Art Gallery to have a tour of the Winter 2022 exhibition programme that focused on 'light'. As part of this, the children experienced Fiona Grady's exhibition, 'Illuminated from Within' which can still be seen outside the Grundy as part of the Grundy's Forecourt Commission Programme. In follow up workshops the children met the artist and heard her talk about how her work explores shape, colour, light and movement in relation to the space in which it is presented. The children were then invited to creatively respond to what they had heard and experienced by making their own artworks. These are now on display. Well done to all the children that took part – it looks fantastic!



Chinese Lunch:

On Monday it is our Chinese lunch day in school. If you would like your child to have a school dinner on this day, instead of a packed lunch, please let the office know who will be happy to help.

Cancelled activities:

Unfortunately, due to whole staff training after school on Monday we are unable to run any of our after-school activities. Similarly, there will also be no Yoga club on Wednesday due to staff training. We are sorry for any inconvenience this causes. The paid after school club will continue as normal and will not be affected.

Library event:

There is another lovely event taking place at Langdale Library for our Parents and Babies/Toddlers. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

And finally, this week's superstars are...

Nursery – Cash for being so inquisitive and asking lots of questions. Well done Cash!

RT – Marley for such an amazing effort with his reading and **Isabella** for reading at home – Well done both of you!

RP – Bodie for suddenly showing a keen interest in mark making and is working hard to spell his name and **Brody-Lee** for having a go at new activities and joining in with games. Well done both of you!

1/2G – Ben for some great independent writing and **Scarlett** for some brilliant work in maths. Well done both of you!

1/2R – Jayden for having a calm and positive attitude in the classroom and building his resilience in school and **Rylee** for making wonderful progress with his phonics and writing. Well done - you are both superstars!

1/2M – Luke for having wonderful manners all of the time and **River** for some beautiful writing – Well done both of you!

3P – Lucy Ann for her fantastic attempt to write a narrative and **Ruya** for some deep thinking in RE. Well done both of you!

3SC – Lillie for some amazing artwork and **Kian** for just being an all-round superstar. Well done both of you!

4FB – Lydia and **Nikkita** for being superstars and settling into the new classes so well – Well done both of you!

5/6HP – Max for writing an excellent piece of writing in History and **Stephen** for joining up his handwriting and getting a pen license. Well done both of you!

5/6JP – Harrison for some excellent diving at swimming and **Alice** for a new confident attitude towards her learning. Well done both of you!

5/6W – Jack for showing a great attitude to all his learning and **Victoria** for working hard and believing in herself. Well done both of you!

A big well done to everyone!!

Upcoming dates for your diary:

Monday 23rd January– Chinese lunch

Monday 6th February – Mental health and wellbeing week

Thursday 9th February – Valentine's lunch

School closes for half term at 3.15pm

	No Yoga Club due to staff training	
Thursday 26 th January P.E. – Early Years 1/2G 1/2M 1/2R	Schools Alive – Existing members only	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Friday 27 th January P.E. – 3/4FB 3/4P	Wood Work – Years 3/4/5/6 Tower Building – Years 1/2	3.15pm – 4.15pm 3.15pm – 4.15pm





Tiddly-Om-Pom-Poms Sessions

Langdale Library and Laundry Room
Mondays 10.00am - 11.00am
Taster session: 6 February
Term time sessions from 20 February



Join us for this popular FREE music and movement initiative enjoyed by babies, toddlers, parents, grandparents and carers.

Sessions provided by Blackpool Music Service.

No need to book, just turn up!

