



PARENTS/CARER MEETINGS -WEDNESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY

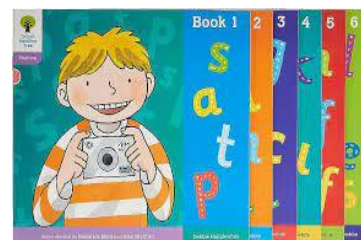
We are holding parent/carer meetings on Wednesday 7th February and you are now able to sign up for appointments using our electronic form to arrange a time to meet your child's teacher, discuss how they are doing at school and also get the opportunity to see their work. You will need to complete a separate form for each child and tick all the time slots that you are available. Then the office will get back to you with your allocated ten-minute meeting time. All instructions are on the form. Please use the link to access the form or scan the adjacent QR code.

<https://forms.office.com/e/PLT387yyFJ>



PLEA FOR READING BOOKS

As part of our phonics teaching, we use Floppy's Phonics reading books. These books are sent home as reading books but are also used in class as part of the teaching. We have spent £4000 on these reading books and already we have sets of books that where there are no copies of certain titles. Please can you make sure all reading books are brought back into school daily to be re-used. We have limited funds and really want to be able to spend any funds we do have on resources to support your children rather than replacing lost books. If you do find any school books at home, please just drop them back into school in so we can replenish our stock.



WHO HAS BEEN IN MY OFFICE THIS WEEK?

This week **Callum 5JW** had been learning about the environment in Geography. He then went home to talk to his dad and research why burning fossil fuels is dangerous for the environment. He looked at the science behind this and learned about CFCs and hydrocarbons. He explained why wind farms are a much better alternative to fossil fuels. Super effort Callum Well done!

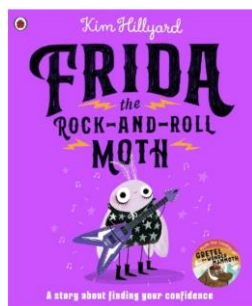
Lincoln 1EP came to show me how much his handwriting has improved since September. As we looked through his book, I couldn't believe the difference. He now forms his letters correctly; they are all the right size and he uses finger spaces too. What a transformation, well done Lincoln.

3RL CLASS ASSEMBLY

Year 3 have been partnered with the National Glass Centre this year and on Friday afternoon, they showcased the wonderful learning they have been doing with them all about linking Science and Art. They told us all about how these two fascinating subjects are interconnected and even made their families join in with some experiments – could they move a car without touching it using an invisible magnetic field? Could they use super-zoom to create an observational drawing of a leaf? AND could they use the theory of a centre of gravity to balance a lolly stick upright on their finger? Thanks to the power of Science, everyone was able to manage. The children spoke very clearly in front of their audience and we are so proud of all of their hard work. A big thank you to Mrs Lowe for all of the wonderful photographs and hard work in preparing for the assembly. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, 3LC's class assembly has had to be postponed. We'll let you know as soon as possible when it has been rearranged for so watch this space.

RECOMMENDED READING NEW RELEASES

FRIDA AND THE ROCK AND ROLL MOTH BY KIM HILLYARD



Frida is a musical moth who loves to rock out -- she puts on her pointy boots and plays her purple guitar really LOUD! But when the Big Bright Light is switched on, more moths appear, ready to rock together, and Frida starts to feel that everyone is much better than her. Perhaps she isn't so rock-and-roll after all.

With the help of her biggest fan, Auntie Edna, Frida learns to reclaim her style, find her confidence and get up and rock on once more! This positive picture book will inspire readers to find what makes them feel good and let their inner confidence shine.

Kim Hillyard creates positive, heart-warming stories that are designed to empower and inspire young readers. Each picture book focuses on a different feeling or belief to help children navigate the world around them.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

By now you should have received a text offering your child a place on an afterschool club
All clubs will start the week beginning Monday 22nd January

Day	Club name	Staff	Year Groups	Max number	Location
Monday	KS1 Homework	Mrs Dixon	1-2	20	1RD classroom
Monday	Construction	Mrs Kaur	1-6	12	Base 3
Monday	Mindful colouring	Mrs Allen	3-6	20	3LC classroom
Monday	Book Club	Miss Bell	3-6	10	4SB classroom
Monday	Lego	Mrs Green/Mrs Edmonds	1-6	12	KS2 intervention room
Tuesday	Just dance	Mrs Lines	2-6	10	Base 2
Tuesday	KS2 Homework	Miss Skeen	3-6	30	5GS classroom
Tuesday	Gardening	Mrs Lowe	3-6	15	3RL classroom/Wild garden
Tuesday	Dodge Ball	Mr Warner	5-6	20	Hall
Thursday	Review crew	Mrs Bloomer	1-2	10	TBC
Thursday	Mindful colouring	Mrs Burrell	Rec-2	12	Reception class

SPRING TERM DATES

Monday 8th January - Children and staff return to school

Tuesday 9th January – EYFS/Y1 (5 year old) Dental Check

Thursday 11th January - Reception Mini Movers Intergenerational Visits

Thursday 11th January - 'Mastering Challenging Behaviour' Parents Course (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)

Friday 19th January - Reception Stay and Play (Gruffalos)

Friday 19th January - Year 3 Class Assembly (2:15pm) 3RL

Monday 22nd January - Reception trip to Discovery Museum.

Thursday 25th January - Mastering Challenging Behaviour' Parents Course (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)

Friday 26th January - Reception Reading and Phonics workshop

Monday 29th January - Reception Maths workshop

Friday 2nd February - Reception Stay and Play (Peter Rabbits)

Saturday 3rd February - Year 5 Science is my Superpower

W.C 5th February - Children's Mental Health Week

Monday 5th February - Year 5 Bikeability

Wednesday 7th February - Spring Term Parents' Meetings (Please note, appointments are available from 1:00-6:00pm)

Thursday 8th February - Reception Mini Movers Intergenerational Visit

Thursday 8th February - Mastering Challenging Behaviour' Parents Course (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)

Monday 12th February - Year 5 Bikeability

Monday 12th February - Reception trip to Chinatown

Friday 16th February - Reception Stay and Play (Elmers)

HALF TERM HOLIDAY Monday 19th February to Friday 23rd February -

Thursday 29th February – Mastering Challenging Behaviour' Parents Course (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)

Wednesday 6th March - Year 5 Science is my Superpower

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Thursday 7th March - Reception Mini Movers Intergenerational Visit

Friday 8th March- Reception Stay and Play (Cat in the Hats)

Thursday 14th March - Wednesday 20th March - Scholastic Book Fair

Friday 15th March - Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Friday 15th March- Reception Stay and Play (Paddington Bears)

Monday 18th March - Reception (RAW) trip to Hall Hill Farm

Wednesday 20th March - Reception & KS1 Art Coffee Morning (9:15am)

Thursday 21st March - KS2 Art Coffee Morning (9:15am)

Thursday 21st March - Reception (RBD) trip to Hall Hill Farm

Friday 22nd March - Spring Term Reports

Thursday 28th March - Break up for Easter Holidays

EASTER HOLIDAY Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April

TWITTER STARS

Remember to check out this week's Twitter Stars! These are tweeted on: **@TStarKS1_UCPS** or **@TStarKS2_UCPS**. They also appear on **@UCPrimary** and on **our website Twitter feed**

ATTENDANCE WINNERS

These classes have the highest attendance this week. Well done everyone!

Whole school attendance – 91.92%

EYFS/KS1 – RAW with 95.45% KS2 – 4VM -with100%

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