

Headteacher's Newsletter

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We have enjoyed another super start to the new year in school, so much so that January has whizzed by and February is just round the corner!

The children have been brilliant, persevering when we have had to close the playground due to icy conditions and proving their adaptability when we unexpectedly took to the frozen field as an alternative space for outdoor play.

No snow so far.... which is always a relief to me, but no doubt very disappointing for the children.
Let's see what February brings. 😊

Attendance Matters



**Where children are fit and well, they should be in school.
As a school, we have a minimum target of 97% attendance for every child.**

On the last newsletter I shared an attendance update with you – the revised figures so far are ...

There are currently **116 out of 204** children meeting the 97% attendance target.
This is the figure we would love to see: 204 out of 204 children with 97% attendance or above

138 out of 204 children who are on track for their 100% attendance sticker for Spring half term 1.

39 out of 204 children currently on track to receive their 100% attendance certificate for attending every day so far of the 2025/2026 academic year!

Punctuality also makes a big difference to a child's day.
Arriving at school on time results in a settled start to the school day.
Please support your children with this - Doors open at 8.40am and close at 8.45am.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Staffing Update

We are looking to recruit Playworkers to join our Out of School Club staff team.

The hours available are - 3.30pm to 5.30pm Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

This would be a great job for anyone looking to get some experience in a school whilst earning a wage at the same time.

Please spread the word if you know of anyone who may be interested, this could include sixth formers, past pupils or residents in the local area?

All applications will be considered. Please see school website for all the details.

Bathroom update

Our new bathroom in KS1 is due to be fitted during the Easter break. Miss Saxton and the Kindness Matters Council (KMC) delivered an assembly asking for the children's input on the design.

The whale feature wall, a turquoise blue door and a grey floor seemed to be the overwhelmingly popular choice.

We will ask representatives from the KMC to meet the bathroom designers to see if their vision can become reality.



SUPER rules

Our school SUPER rules have been in place for many years. They are simple, effective and work beautifully alongside our Kindness Matters ethos.

With the help from our friends at **Caters Marketing & Print Specialists**, we are delighted that we have been able to revamp the appearance of our rules - look out for our new boards – coming soon!



And finally... 2026 is The Year of Reading

As always, we continue to promote reading in school making sure we have a great selection of books in classroom. Based on what the children have requested, Miss Goodwin has just added more stock to our class libraries too.

Next week is national story telling week – look out for an email to sign up to be a storyteller, reading to one of our classes.

Our book swap hut is also available to everyone. It is open every day and everything is FREE!

