



February 15th 2018

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Please find the latest attendance figures below. As you can see, our attendance figures for the last 2 weeks are not where we would like them to be due to a variety of illnesses. A huge well done to Year 4 however, as they have topped the leaderboard on both occasions.

Week Ending February 2 nd	
Year 4	99.3%
Year 1/2	97.9%
Year 2	96.6%
Year 6	96.4%
Year 3	94.5%
Reception/Y1	90%
Year 5	77.4%
Overall	93.3%

Week Ending February 9 th	
Year 4	98.5%
Year 1/2	94.8%
Year 2	94.5%
Year 3	93.6%
Year 6	89.6%
Reception/Y1	88.5%
Year 5	86.3%
Overall	92.4%

Staffing changes

I am sad to say that our fabulous Nursery teacher, Mrs Bell, will be leaving us at the end of the Spring term. Mrs Bell has decided that the time is right to move to the seaside and enjoy an early retirement. Although we are all sorry to see her go, we wish her the best and hope she will come and visit us in the future. After a rigorous appointment process, I am pleased to announce that Mrs Hoyle will be joining the team after Easter as our Nursery teacher.

Miss Atherton has begun her maternity leave and we wish her all the best. We have no news of an arrival but will keep you all updated.

Miss Ruddock is also leaving us to begin her maternity leave. We also wish Miss Ruddock the best.

Safeguarding/Staff Car Park

Can I please remind all parents and carers that they are not to use the Staff car park under any circumstances unless they are authorised to do so by the school. As well as the obvious concerns over safeguarding, we have recently had two incidents where staff cars have been damaged.

House Shield Competition-

We have had lots of fabulous entries to our House Shield Competition. The school council will be meeting to decide on the eventual winners and an announcement will be made after half term. Thank you to all of the children and parents who have supported the competition.

Year 5 International Day - France

Year 5 were visited by staff from Manchester Airport last week to extend the learning that we began in our European Day of Languages in the Autumn Term. The children made crepes, described themselves and where they lived in French, investigated Monet paintings whilst making ponds and listening to French music and finally, they had a game of French Boules. It is important for the children at Manor Park to experience as many different cultures as they can to help them to be more aware of the diverse nature of the World that we live in. All of the children had a fantastic day and I would like to thank all of the staff at Manchester Airport for their support of the school.

Children Safeguarding Conference

We have recently created a children's safeguarding team in school. The children will support the staff and children in keeping safeguarding at the forefront of our minds and helping us to make the school an even happier/safer place for children to learn. The children in our safeguarding team are:

Y6- Gracie and Thomas
Y4- Molly and Charlie
Y2- Hannah and Rayan

The first job for the team was to attend the Cheshire East children safeguarding conference. At the conference the children learnt about difference areas of safeguarding and had the chance to share ideas with difference schools. The team will be feeding back to the school in an assembly after half term.

Playground Buddies, (Peer Council).

Our peer council was asked to present the concept of 'Playground Buddies' at the aforementioned Safeguarding Conference. Hannah and Emily represented the school Peer Council and presented to a packed hall at Wilmslow High School. They helped to create the presentation and spoke clearly and confidently. We were extremely proud of the children and how they modelled the school values to the wider community.

School Governors

Our school governors continue to work hard for the school. We held our Pastoral committee meeting this week after school where we discussed the safety, behaviour and wellbeing of the children. Governors have also visited the school during the school day over the past two weeks to support us with -Pupil Premium and Curriculum.

School Facebook Page

Please follow the school on our school Facebook page. We regularly post pictures and updates on activities and events that the school is involved in. It is also a great way to see the children's learning in action.

The Mini Planters Society

Thank you to all the families who have bought shares or said they could donate to the Mini Planters Society.

If you would like to buy shares or make a donation of seeds/wellies/gloves etc, it's not too late, please see the office.

Valentines Dress Up Day

Thank you for your donations towards the fundraising for the defibrillator for the local community we raised a total of £153.42

Knutsford Primary Schools Ball Friday 22.6.18

SAVE THE DATE and book your babysitter!
"A little party never killed nobody" F Scott Fitzgerald

Planning is well underway and this year we are time travelling back to the 1920s with a Great Gatsby theme so think beads, mesh, lace, ostrich feathers, sequins, pinstripe, flapper dresses, Art Deco costumes. Gangsters and flappers welcome! The band is booked - the awesome Audiopimps - and the menu and wine list is currently being fine-tuned. The ball is always a fantastic night out and even better, the profits raised are shared by the 4 Knutsford Primary Schools' PTAs. Tickets will go on sale after 1/2 term so start gathering your tables together. If you have any questions, speak to Lindsey Smalley or Cathryn Walley.

Yours Faithfully,

Simon Cotterill
Head Teacher

Diary Dates Ahead

Please check the school website regularly and remember all letters are put on to the website for your added convenience.

15/2/18 SCHOOL CLOSES

16/2/18 INSET DAY

26/2/18 SCHOOL OPENS

26/2/18 School Book Week

27/28/2/18 Bikeability

1/3/18 - Parent meeting for Y3 & Y4 Residential

2/3/18 World Book day/Reading Week

Celebrations
7/3/18 Resources Governor Committee meeting
8/3/18 Y5 Trip to Halle Youth Concert
14/3/18 Y3 & Y4 residential to Menai
15/3/18 Y3 & Y4 residential to Menai
16/3/18 Y3 & Y4 residential to Menai
19/3/18 Learning & Teaching Governor Committee meeting
20/3/18 Y5/6 Eureka Trip
21/3/18 Parents evening 1 - 3.30pm-7.00pm
23/3/18 MPSA event - Sport Relief
28/3/18 Parents Evening 2 - 3.30pm-5.00pm
29/3/18 MPSA event - Easter Egg Hunt
29/3/18 SCHOOL CLOSES

16/4/18 SCHOOL OPENS - SUMMER TERM
20/4/18 Attendance Treat