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Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Please find the latest attendance figures below. A big congratulations to Year 2 who have been attendance winners for the last 3 weeks. Will they keep it up?

Week Ending March 9 th	
Year 2	100%
Year 4	98.9%
Year 5	94.4%
Year 6	92.8%
Year 1/2	92.4%
Reception/Y1	91.2%
Year 3	89.7%
Overall	94.2%

Week Ending March 16 th	
Year 2	99%
Year 4	97.9%
Year 5	97.4%
Year 6	96.8%
Year 3	95.5%
Year 1/2	92.1%
Reception/Y1	88.1%
Overall	95.3%

Accelerated Reader

Accelerated reader is beginning to take shape in school. It has been a month now since our reading week and the launch of accelerated reader. The sense of engagement in reading across the school is amazing. After conversations with boys and girls from Y1 to Y6, it is clear that the new books, updated library and accelerated reader have really hit the spot. The children are busy earning points and trying to be a millionaire reader whilst also understanding that they need to focus on the understanding of the text.

Book Fair

Can I thank all of the staff and children who worked hard to make the book fair a success. It was great to see so many children and parents in everyday adding to their stock of books at home. The added benefit is that the more books that the school sold, the more money the school will have to add to our book stock. Reading is one of the school priorities at the moment and it is reassuring to know that it remains a priority for parents as well.

Year 5 & Year 6 Trip

Year 5 and Year 6 visited the Eureka Science museum this week. The trip was designed to bring their Science learning to life and it did not fail. The children enjoyed all of the hands on experiments and activities that were available for them. As always, our children were impeccably behaved and a credit to the school. The staff at the museum commented about our children's positive attitudes towards learning and good manners.

Year 3 & Year 4 Residential

The children clearly had a wonderful time at Menai last week at their residential. Everyone left on Wednesday morning, bright eyed and excited about what adventures were about to unfold. They all returned on Friday afternoon, very tired but with huge smiles on their faces and full of stories to share. From canoeing, fire building and den making to high wire and discos, the trip will have created memories that the children will keep forever. Thank you to all of the staff who made sure that the children were safe and happy with particular thanks to Miss Thorley and Miss Gordon who took on the mammoth task of organising the trip.

Manor Park Times

As I type, the first edition of the Manor Park times is being finalised. We are hopeful that it will go to press next week and we will have our first copies before we break up for Easter. Look out for copies across shops and various community places across Knutsford. Children will also be offering copies to parents in school. The newspaper is run completely by the children supported by Mrs Dalzell with only editorial

support from Mrs Jeffery and myself. We are very proud of what they have achieved.

School Governors

We held our Learning and Teaching committee meeting this week after school. Governors have also visited the school during the school day over the past two weeks to support us with - data protection, school newspaper, celebration assemblies.

Sports Relief

Thank you to all of the children and families who have worked hard to raise sponsors for our sport relief event. The children have had a great time running around our school field. They ran for 5 laps of the field which was 1 mile. In total the children and staff ran over 200 miles! Thank you to the MPSA for their continued support with this and other events.

Parking

Can I please ask parents to consider our neighbours during the morning and afternoons at drop off and pick up. I have been contacted by several of our neighbours over the past months that have had their drives blocked by cars of parents from school. Some residents have also had their front lawns damage by cars, particularly on Bellingham Close. It is important that we all work together as a community, thank in advance for your support on this matter.

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.

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
18/4/18 Class Group photographs
20/4/18 Attendance Treat

25/4/18 Healthy Minds Day
3/5/18 Year 1/2 Class Assembly
7/5/18 - SCHOOL CLOSED- MAY DAY
9/5/18 Reception Class Assembly
14-17/5/18- KS2 SATS
17/5/18 MPSA event - Quiz night
22/5/18 Year 5 Class Assembly
24/5/18 Year 4 Class Assembly
23/5/18 Pastoral Governor Committee meeting
25/2/18 SCHOOL CLOSES

4/6/18 SCHOOL OPENS -
7/6/18 Year 3 Class Assembly
8/6/18 Attendance Treat
14/6/18 Year 2 Class Assembly
20/7/18 Year 6 Leavers Assembly