

Dear parents and carers,

It has been another great week in school; a personal highlight for me was our Reception and Key Stage One children singing and signing "True Colours" in their celebration assembly this morning which was truly a goosebumps moment!

Thank you for your on-going and increased support with your children's reading at home. This week we saw a record-break win from Clover class in Reception where over 90% of children read at home 5 times this week! The winner in KS2 was Poppy class with over 80% of children reading. Individual, randomly-selected winners were Sonny in Y1 and Leia in Y6.

In order to raise the status of the children who win awards in assemblies, we are going to take photos of our certificate winners each week and these (subject to permissions) will be on the school's twitter and Facebook pages. We are also working towards having a new digital display screen in the front office where we will also project photographs of life in school!

Attendance:

We have seen a dip in attendance and, whilst we know there are lots of genuine illnesses going around, an increasing number of invalid reasons being given for children not attending school. All children should attend school every day unless they are genuinely and seriously unwell – an unwell sibling or parent is not a reason for a child to stay off school. We have updated our reporting attendance procedures and end-of-day late collection policies so please do read these carefully. Please support your child's learning by bringing them to school on-time, every day. Thank you.

Cross Country:

Apologies for the lateness in congratulating our cross-country runners who took place in the county finals a couple of Saturdays ago. Well done to Alfie K (Y5) who came 28th, Oscar C (Y5) who came 39th and Joshua D (Y5) who came 62nd - all for the Under 11 boys. Well done to Daisy L (Y5) who came 62nd and Isla C (Y5) who came 71st for the Under 11 girls. Special well done to our Year Sixes: Rose L who came 51st Joey H who came 59th and Stanely R who came 62nd overall in the Under 13 category, competing against older children. Well done all and thank you for representing the school in this prestigious event.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Miss Lally

Head lice:

We are currently aware of cases of head lice in an increasing number of classes. Please remember to check your child's head regularly with a 'nit comb' and treat any infestation.

Up-coming events:

Friday 2nd February 6.00-7.30pm - Popcorn and PJ night – All year groups **SOLD OUT**

Monday 5th February 6.00pm - Parents 'evening booking goes live

Thursday 8th February – Ted's party day in YR

Friday 9th February 3.00pm - Y4 parents invited in for bread tasting

Friday 9th February 6.00-7.30pm - Popcorn and PJ night – All year groups

Tuesday 13th February 4.00-7.00pm - Parents evening – face-to-face appointments

Wednesday 14th February 3.15pm – Y1 Art Gallery

Friday 16th February – End of term 3

Monday 26th February – Start of term 4

W/B 26th February – Y5 Bikeability

A reminder that details of school events can be found on the [school diary](#) on the website. Posters and flyers from providers external to the school can be found on the [community page](#).

Letters home this week:

Recorder club cancelled – Y3 recorder club only

Attendance and late collection

Message for Y6 (police visit and WhatsApp) – Y6 only

Y4 bread tasting invitation – Y4 only

Y1 Art Gallery Invitation – Y1 only

Change of PE day from next week – Blubell class only

Family Hubs invitation

Parents' evening booking invitation

Y3 TAG rugby final – change of venue – Selected pupils only

Permission request for tasting session – Y5 only

Head lice letters – Beech, Daffodil and Holly classes

Party clothes on Thursday, 8th Feb – YR only

Police visit to Y6 – Y6 only

Attachments:

PTA PJ and popcorn flyer

Online safety – persuasive design

Scarlet fever letter