

Dear Parents and Carers,

This will be our last newsletter before the Easter break so we all wish everyone a lovely holiday also Eid Mubarak to everyone celebrating over the holidays. We close for Easter on Thursday 28th March at 1.15pm and reopen on Monday 15th April as normal.

The children in Year 2 and Year 3 have had a brilliant time over the last few weeks in the Forest school doing lots of activities with the forest team from LCC. This week they have built a fire and toasted marshmallows, which looked very exciting. Year 5 have been to Gawthorpe Hall on a trip on Wednesday they had a great time completing Shakespearian workshops including sword fighting!



Our whole school visited the church on Wednesday, Rev Michelle talked about Easter to the children and the children's behaviour was perfect.

Parents evening this week was a success with lots of parents looking happy with the children's progress. Walking around school it is always calm and settled with everyone fully engaged with what they are doing.

We have lots going on next week including the following:

- Decorated egg competition on Wednesday 27th March, please bring in your creations for this day.
- Book fair in the hall every day after school until Wednesday 27th March.
- Easter raffle tickets on sale every day and this will be drawn on Thursday 28th March.
- Winner of the 100% attendance awards on Thursday 28th March.
- PTA cake sale on the last day of term from 1pm.
- Y3 trip after the holidays to the Wild Explorers on Tuesday 16th April 2024.

It has been a great term and the school goes from strength to strength because of the children wanting to do their best and having such supportive families. Remember we are always available to speak to at any time, we wish you a good week end and stay safe.

Yours sincerely



Christopher Holmes

Head teacher

Certificate & Award Winners

15th March 2024

Reception: Sinan, Hannah, Ameila

Year 1: Kobi, Ameilia, Thea

Year 2: Aadam, Ewan, Oliver

Year 3: Milo, Sophia, Hafsa

Year 4: George, Freddie, Darcie

Year 5: Saad, Sarah, Ava

Year 6: David, Giulia, Emily

Lunchtime award: Kobi, Sabina



22nd March 2024

Reception: Alina, Zahra, Roman

Year 1: Masooma, George, Richie-Ray

Year 2: Reuben, Tyler, Walker

Year 3: Jacob, Mark, Stefan

Year 4: Theo, George, Mason

Year 5: Emy, Noah, Abdul

Year 6: Fatme, Kiran, Hyusein

Lunchtime award: Yanis, Lily



Dates for your Diary

27th March Egg decorating competition

28th March BREAK UP 1.15pm -PTA

Cake Sale afterschool

15th April - Return to school

16th April –Y3 Trip to Broughton Hall.
- PTA meeting

18th April –Y4 Swimming

Dates
for your



Children with 100% attendance could be in with a chance of winning a bike. The winner will be drawn next Thursday.



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If you would like to make a donation to the cake sale, please bring your cakes to the office week commencing 25th March.



Decorating an egg competition. This will be judged on Wednesday 27th March 2024. Your child can bring in a decorated hard-boiled egg, the more unusual the better. Please bring these in on this day to the class labelled with your children's name and Class.





MEASLES

Don't let your child catch it

– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

- measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated
- measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill
- your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination
- 2 doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection
- if your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible*
- if you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP
- if you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected

*In response to a local outbreak then the 2 doses can be given one month apart from the age of 18 months.



Answers to some common questions about measles and the MMR vaccine

Why are we seeing these outbreaks of measles?

Measles is a highly infectious disease, spreading quickly from person to person, especially in schools. A child with measles will infect almost all unprotected children they have contact with. Since the end of 2017 there has been an increase in measles globally which has affected the UK. This has resulted in some spread into wider communities, in particular in undervaccinated groups.

When are the MMR vaccinations usually given?

The best times are between 12 and 13 months of age and again at 3 years and 4 months, with one dose on each occasion. But, if your child wasn't vaccinated then, they can be vaccinated at any age with 2 doses one month apart.

Will there be any side effects to the vaccination?

Your child may get the symptoms of measles, mumps and rubella for up to 6 weeks after the vaccination but in a very much milder form. This proves that the vaccine is working and your child is building up resistance to future contact with the viruses that cause the 3 diseases. Not all children show these symptoms but that doesn't mean the vaccine isn't working.

Should parents in outbreak areas get vaccinated against measles?

As with many diseases, once you have had measles, you don't catch it again because you have built up a natural resistance to it. So, if you've had measles or 2 doses of MMR vaccine you do not need to get vaccinated now.

For more information about measles and MMR go to
www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/