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Religious News

All classes have now completed their studies of Other Faiths in RE and it has been great to be present at the assemblies where children throughout school have shared some of the information which they have learned.

On Monday, Year 1 and Year 5 shared information about how Jews observe Shabbat and about the Torah and the Synagogue.

On Tuesday, it was the turn of Year 2 and Year 6 to share information about Islam and where children found out about the Pillars of Islam. On Thursday, our Years 3 and 4 children shared information about Hinduism and Sikhism.

On our return to school, all classes in school will be studying topics linked to Lent and Easter.

May we wish Canon Sandra a wonderful installation on Sunday 24th February and we look forward to hearing about your special seat in Wakefield Cathedral!

Respect other people: beliefs, however, should hold no importance regarding an opinion towards another. We are all equal.

Week of 25th February

Shakespearean Themed Book Week

25th School Opens

25th Bradford Finals Sports

25th Come and Read sessions Years 1 & 2 at 2.45pm

25th KS2 Open Session in Library 3.15pm

25th Parent Workshop Shakespeare at 7pm

26th Come and Read session Years 1 & 2 at 9.00am

27th Orienteering Tong School

28th Fluoride Varnish Consent

28th Parents Phonics Workshops 3.20pm/6.15pm

28th Internet Safety Workshops Years 3 & 4

1st March Dressing Up Day and Shakespeare Showcases

1st YEAR 2 BUN SALE

Unfortunately, we have not received permission for the use of some of the photographs for the website so, we have had to delay this going live. Our current deal expires in the week of 25th February so, our website will go live one day that week. Please can we ask parents to return their consent forms as soon as possible?

Achievers of the week for 11th February

This week we have awarded our certificates to children for work over the term.

Congratulations to the following children who received certificates:

N Matilda H

FS2 Cody S, Oriyah D

Y1 Lottie L, Oliver R

Y2 Bella W, Harrison H

Y3 William St, Daisy P

Y4 Jake S, Mollie H

Y5 Daisy P, Matthew H

Y6 Amber F, Millie F

On our return to school we will be celebrating Book Week and our certificates will be awarded to children for activities linked to drama, reading or English writing.

Please can we remind parents to encourage your children to read over the holidays?

There is another TT Rock Stars battle until 1st March – who will win this time?

NEW PHONE SYSTEM

We will be having a new phone system installed over the holidays. This new system will allow you the opportunity to leave phone messages when your child is ill. If you use this facility, please remember to give your child's name, class and the nature of the illness on the message.

ATTENDANCE Week of 4th February

F1am	92.31%
F1pm	90%
F1 30 hours	95%
F2P	96.67%
F2Py	85.67%
Y1M	100%
Y1S	96%
Y2F	97.67%
Y2D	96.33%
Y3HM	96.33%
Y3W	99.31%
Y4HW	97%
Y4M	99.33%
Y5B	100%
Y5G	95.33%
Y6B	98.67%
Y6V	97.24%

Congratulations to Y1M and Y5B who, with 100%, won the KS1 and KS2 attendance cups this week.
Well done!
Our whole school attendance was 96.63%.

KS 1 SATS INFORMATION SESSION

Many thanks to all the families who were able to join us for the KS1 Sats Information Sessions on Tuesday this week.

A copy of the presentation used by Mrs Smith has now been saved to the website under parent workshops.

SCHOOL UNIFORM INFORMATION

You may already be aware that Tesco have closed their online school uniform embroidery service. We have arranged for MyClothing to continue to provide the same online service without the Tesco name which includes the 5% donation back to school funds. Please visit www.MyClothing.com to see the products available. Remember that only the sweatshirt or cardigan your child wears for school needs to have the school logo embroidered. Henry Smiths in Shipley will also continue to offer our uniform.

SPORTING NEWS

Our hockey teams were in action on Monday afternoon at Bradford Girls where they enjoyed mixed success. Well done to everyone who took part and to the staff and parents who accompanied the children.

Our first day back at school, 25th February, will be a very busy one with 40 children in action at the Bradford Finals in the morning and a further 7 children in action in the afternoon. We wish them all the best in the competition.

PTFA UPDATE Thank you to the staff who organised and manned the Pyjama Night on Friday which was a resounding success. Thanks also for the very positive feedback on the event. The profit made on the event which was approximately £665 will be spent on the EYFS and KS1 outdoor areas including purchasing some new equipment for the 'Huff and Puff' shed. We are now planning the event for KS2 which will take place on 8th March. We intend to run the event at similar times after school but we have identified a few changes to the organisation as a result of our evaluations of Friday. Families will receive more details about half term.

The money raised at the KS2 event will be used to restock the 'Huff and Puff' shed and to buy equipment for children in Key Stage 2.

ATTENDANCE POLICY CHANGES Following communication from a number of parents re our policy of awarding certificates for 100% attendance and the fact that this penalises children who have had medical appointments or attended family events like funerals etc, we have made a number of minor changes to the awards which we will present to children going forward. We are now going to give attendance awards at the end of the term (not half term) for excellent attendance (98% or higher) with special certificates for children who have 100% attendance for the year.

STAY AND LEARN SESSIONS

Thank you to all the parents who joined Miss Marlborough and Mrs Senior for our inaugural 'Stay and Learn' sessions this week which we hope you found useful. The teachers will be hosting Phonics Screening Information workshops on Thursday, 28th February which will provide information about the phonics testing process. Please book on these using the online system.