

NEWSLETTER

Working together with parents/carers

This year, we are working hard to provide more opportunities for parents/carers to find out about what pupils are learning at school and how to support them at home. So far we have hosted two events focusing on phonics/early reading and reading at KS2. We have been so pleased to see the high turn out from parents/carers and the pupils have loved welcoming you all into their classrooms. We also sent out curriculum maps for each year group so that parents/carers can see what their children is learning throughout a half term.

Next up is our **reading cafe** today which will be running alongside our book fair after school. Don't forget books bought at the book fair help us to buy more books for your child's book corner in their class.



Home learning

We have been so impressed with the number of pupils across the school engaging with their home learning on our **Seesaw** platform.

It has been a joy to see the comments and videos that have been shared from home whether it is responding to the story of the week, practising their text maps or logging on to times tables rock stars. Well done everyone!



Please also note that a new **communications policy** was sent out to parents/carers this week detailing how home/school communication works.

Dates for your diary

Friday 22nd November -	Reading cafe and book fair
Monday 2nd December -	School disco
Thursday 12th December -	Christmas jumper day, Christmas lunch and KS2 carol singing
Tuesday 17th December -	KS1 concert am Reception/Nursery Nativity pm
Wednesday 18th December -	Reception/Nursery Nativity am KS1 concert pm
Friday 20th December -	Last day of term. School finishes at 1pm
Monday 6th January -	Start of the Spring Term

Show Racism the Red Card

Last week, we welcomed Paul and Francis from 'Show racism the red card' who ran workshops for our Year 5 and 6 children. It was wonderful to see our pupils so engaged in these sessions and they were able to reflect on the negative impact racism has on others. As a diverse community, we continue to remind our pupils about the importance of mutual respect and tolerance.



Christmas Jumper Day Thursday 12th December

Children to wear Christmas Jumpers in place of their normal school jumper (all other school uniform must still be worn).

We will be raising money for 'Save the Children' charity and suggest a donation of £1.



Safety on our school site

Keeping all our school community safe on our school site is vitally important. We would like to remind all parents/carers that pupils must **dismount from bikes and scooters** the moment they enter our school site through the black school gates. This is to ensure that no accidents occur. We thank you for your support in this matter.



The importance of sleep

We understand that a child's sleep can be a challenge for many parents/carers. In school, lack of sleep has a significant impact on a child's ability to learn. Children will struggle to focus, will not be able to retain new learning and it hugely impacts on their potential. Recommended sleep hours are highlighted below.

Age Group	Age Range	Recommended hours of sleep per 24 hours
Infant	4-12 months	12-16 hours (including naps)
Toddler	1-2 years old	11-14 hours (including naps)
Preschool	3-5 years old	10-13 hours (including naps)
School-age	6-12 years old	9-12 hours

Useful advice about sleep can be found below
<https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/information-support/children/>