



## Autumn 2 Newsletter 2022

Welcome back following the half term holiday. It is lovely to see all of our children coming to school with their reading bags every day, ready to learn. We have already had a number of visitors to school since September, with some fantastic comments on how amazing our children are by consistently displaying exemplary behaviour and excellent engagement with their learning. Our children and their families should be proud of their hard work and commitment to excellence!! I know I am!

### Attendance – Autumn Term 1 2022

One of our whole school priorities this year, is to improve attendance across all year groups for all of our children. Below is a table showing attendance for each class over the first half term. Our target is 96%, so hopefully we can all see where we need to improve and work together to achieve this.

The class who had the best attendance overall up to the holiday was 2AH with 96.9%

A huge well done to Year 2, Mrs Hamid's class!!

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Nursery	85.9%	3LJ	90.3%
EYFS LH	90.6%	4PK	94.4%
EYFS LL	93.7%	4SB	96.1%
1LA	92.2%	5SM	95.8%
1RK	96.4%	5AC	93.9%
2JD	91.5%	6RH	93.3%
2AH	96.9%	6JR	90.2%
3CC	93.8%	6JT	96.2%

Every year we talk about attendance and how important it is. Children only get one chance at school, and your child's chances of a successful future will be affected if they don't attend school regularly. Setting good attendance patterns from an early age is crucial, if your child doesn't attend school regularly, they will struggle to keep up with their school work. Poor attendance can also affect children's ability to make and keep friendships; a vital part of growing up.

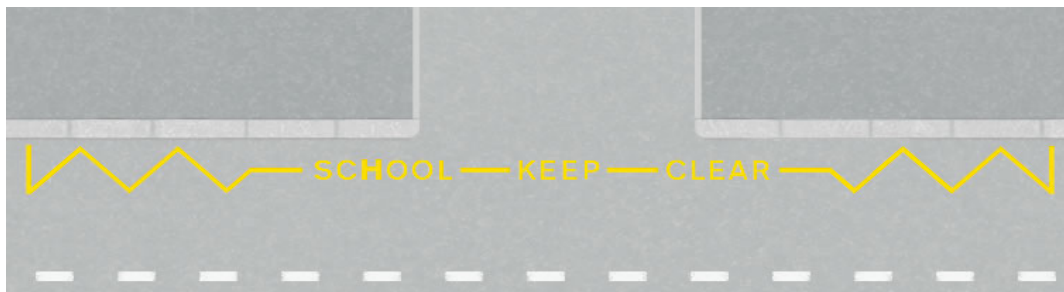
Being on time is also vital. Arriving late at school is very disruptive for your child, their teacher and the other children in the class. Please try to be punctual. Our school doors open at 8.40am and close at 8.50am. Don't forget there are two schools almost next door to each other and traffic can be very busy, arriving in plenty of time will help to ensure your child is not late. Make every minute count!

### Applications for Reception September 2023

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2023, don't forget that you will need to complete an online application for a Primary school place before the deadline of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023. If you are struggling with the online application, please contact the school office and they will be happy to help.

## Parking

There are still the usual issues with traffic and parking since our return to school in September. Please can I remind parents to park safely when dropping off and picking up each day. Please do not park on the yellow markings as this is illegal and will result in an £80 fine if you are caught on camera by the school safety car. Please refrain from dropping children in the middle of the road and please also be mindful of our neighbours and try not to block driveways.



## Diary Dates

We have already held a number of different events for our families in the first half term. These have included Choral Speaking assemblies. These have been so popular, for future dates you will need to arrive in plenty of time to make sure you get a seat, and don't forget the doors close at 9.00am with no late admissions. Also there have been two Early Reading Workshops, an SEN coffee morning and an E- Safety event. All of these have been well attended and I would like to thank you for your continued support.

Below are some dates for events taking place this half term.

Parents' Evening	Wednesday	16/11/22	By appointment
Year 1 Choral Speaking Assembly	Wednesday	16/11/22	9.00am
Nasal Flu Vaccinations	Friday	18/11/22	All day
Parents' Evening	Wednesday	23/11/22	By appointment
Y4 Choral Speaking Assembly	Wednesday	23/11/22	9.00am
Reception and Nursery Christmas show	Tuesday	6/12/22	Time to be confirmed
SEN Coffee Morning		December	Date to be confirmed
Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Show	Tuesday	13/12/22	Time to be confirmed
Christmas Party Day	Wednesday	14/12/22	All day
Christmas Dinner Day	Thursday	15/12/22	
End of Autumn Term 1 /Festive Jumper or Non-Uniform Day	Friday	16/12/22	1.00pm

Finally, we close for the Christmas break on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 1.00pm and re-open on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs. Howarth