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A Small School with a Big Heart

Message from Mrs. Gray:

There was much excitement in Class 1 and Class 2 last Thursday when firefighters visited the school and spoke to the children about their jobs and fire safety. The children loved seeing the fire engine up close and learning about the different parts. We hope we didn't disturb the neighbours too much with the sound of the sirens! The visit was part of the pupils' history learning about the Great Fire of London, comparing fire-fighting now and in the past.

Safer Internet Day – February 6th 2024

It is Safer Internet Day on Tuesday, 6th February organised by the UK's Safer Internet Centre. The aim is to make the internet a safer and better place for all, especially children and young people, with this year's theme being :

'Inspiring change? Making a difference, Managing Influence and Navigating Change Online'

In school, our assembly on Tuesday will be focused on staying safe on the internet. Some top tips for parents to help keep children safe online can be found by following the link below:

https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/saferinternet-day-2024/parents-and-carers

Some useful guides for parents to different types of technology including tablets, smart phones and games consoles are available here:

https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-andresource/parents-and-carers Special Mentions Assembly

Special Mentions were awarded on Friday to:

- Class 1 Mina and Esmay
- Class 2 Gracie and Elliza
- Class 3 Maddie and Turner
- Class 4 Charley and Joshua S
- Class 5 Sophia and Emily

Fabulous effort!



Attendance

Class 1 achieved the highest attendance last week with 98%. Super! Remember every school day counts!



Late arrivals

We monitor the number of lates carefully and letters will be sent by school to any families where children have been late 5 times. If 10 lates occur, a letter from the Local Authority will be received. Please ensure children arrive before 9 o'clock. There were 3 recorded lates w/c 29/01/24.



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Resourceful Rabbits

This term we are focusing on our Building Learning Power Hero, Resourceful Rabbit. We are awarding certificates to children who have demonstrated initiative in their learning; good questioning and problem solving skills. In Friday's assembly our Resourceful Rabbits were:

Jack W (Class 1); Georgia (Class 2); Harry (Class 3); Evangeline (Class 4); Bobby (Class 5).



Super!

Year 6 Booster Classes

After half-term, we will be hosting afterschool booster classes in mathematics on Mondays for our Year 6 children. A letter with further details will be sent out this week.

Reminder - Half-term

We break up for the half-term break on Friday 9th February. There is an INSET day on Monday 19th

February. Pupils return to school on Tuesday 20th February.

Children's Mental Health Awareness week (5th – 11th February)

This week is Children's Mental Health Awareness week. The theme is *My Voice Matters.* We will be exploring this theme in an assembly and our PSHE lessons. Compass Be have shared a newsletter with us, containing some links to helpful resources and also links to surveys for parents and children to complete about the services Compass Be offer. We have attached it to this week's newsletter. Useful resources for families around Mental Health Awareness week can be found on the Place2Be website:

https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org. uk/families/

Dates for the diary

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day (pupils will be invited to come to school in pjs for a day of snuggly reading fun!) 11th – 17th March – Science Week Wednesday 13th March – KS2 visit to Scarborough Thursday 14th March – KS1 visit to the Butterfly House, North Anston Tuesday 19th March - Parents' Evening Wednesday 20th March – Parents' Evening

More details of these events will be sent shortly.



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Information from South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue

Following their visit to school last week, South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue have asked us to share the link below with families. This website gives virtual safety advice and enables people to undertake an online home fire safety check. Following this, if eligible, you could have a visit from fire officers to undertake an in-person home safety check, including the fitting of free smoke alarms.

https://www.syfire.gov.uk/safety-advice/request-a-visit/

They have also asked us to share a home safety leaflet, which we have attached to this week's newsletter.

Some of our children, after the visit from the Fire Service, have told us they'd like to become firefighters. They are a little young at the moment but South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue have asked us to share details of their current recruitment campaign, to recruit on-call firefighters for Penistone, in case any adults are interested!

