

WILLIAM MACGREGOR'S NEWSLETTER

This week I have attended a meeting with the DfE and public health detailing the outbreak of **measles** in the West Midlands. Cases have been on the rise since before Christmas mainly due to the lower take up of the MMR vaccination in our area. Information was shared about the symptoms to look out for in children aged 0-11 where it is particularly more contagious. Having the MMR vaccination however gives 99% immunity from measles. Children can have the MMR vaccination dose 1 at one year old and then dose 2 at 3 years and 4 months. I have attached more information about this vaccination if your child has not had it. It can be given past these ages should you wish for them to have it now. If you are unsure if your child has had it then either contact your GP or go back to your child's red book. If you suspect that your child has measles then you should take them to the GP. The GP will not be able to confirm this without a test and public health confirmation who in turn will let us know. Please do not be alarmed about this information but take this as a reminder to check the vaccination has been had. If you were not in England during the younger years of your child's life then please contact your GP now who can complete vaccination. Please see the links attached. I have also attached a reminder of the NHS guidelines about when children should be off school and time scales for certain other conditions.

For safeguarding purposes, please also take the time this weekend to check your **contact details** on MCAS. If you have recently changed your phone number or address, please ensure this is up to date should we need to contact you in an emergency. There should be ideally two other contacts per child on MCAS in case we cannot get hold of you. Please ensure these are also up to date and still applicable.

All staff have been spending this half term's CPD focusing on '**emotion coaching**' and the value of this in recognising the children's emotions when dealing with situations that arise in school. We have previously had this training in school many years ago but with new staff and changing children it was a perfect time to refresh this. This is also a big part of our trauma informed attachment aware initiative on our school improvement plan across the ATLP this year. It has been wonderfully led by Miss Sheward who was extensively trained in this in the autumn term. Miss Sheward will be completing a parent workshop on this soon as it is such a good technique to use with our young people as parents in the home. Please look out for this date.

I have added a **Y6 France** meeting date to the calendar on Thursday 8th February at 3.15pm. This is a must attend event by a parent/representative due to the nature of the trip.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Jones x

STAR OF THE WEEK

Ladybirds - Charlie
Year 1 – Grace
Year 2 – Daisy
Year 4 – Charlie
Year 5 – Jai
Year 6 – Charlotte



MATHS SHED

Leaderboard:

Year 2
Year 6
Year 5
Year 4
Year 3
Year 1



Top Mathstronauts:

- Brody H - Y5
- Lucas H - Y3
- Hei-Kai Y - Y6

SPELLING SHED

Leaderboard:

Year 2
Year 4
Year 5
Year 3
Year 6
Year 1



Top Spellers:

- Theo R - Y2
- Archie A - Y2
- Martynas Z - Y3

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Key Dates

February:

6th: Safer Internet day

8th: Y6 France parent meeting - must attend (3.15pm)

9th: Last day of half term

19th: First day of Spring 2

March:

4th - 8th: Year 6 in France

19th: Yr 3 and Y4 Easter

production at St George's Church 6pm

21st: Parents Evening (2-7pm)

22nd: Easter bonnet parade, Easter assembly and last day of term

April:

8th: INSET day (School closed to all pupils)

9th: First day of Summer term

16th - 17th: Y5 to London

May:

2nd: School closed for polling day

3rd: Inset day, school closed

6th: Bank holiday, school closed

13th - 17th: Y6 SATs week

23rd: Sports day

24th: Last day of half term

June:

3rd: First day of Summer term

10th - 13th: Book Fair in school

26th: ATLP student awards

July:

5th: INSET day, school closed

W/b 8th: Reports out

10th - 12th: Y6 secondary transition days

19th: Last day of term

TT ROCKSTARS

Congratulations to all of the children who have improved their rock speed this week!

Rock Hero (under 1 sec) -

Ivy F, Noah M, Eliah

Rock Legend (under 2 secs)-

Olivia L,

Rock Star (under 3 secs)-

Headliner (under 4 secs) -

Isabella M, Kyran S, Roo

Support Act (under 5 secs)-

Breakthrough Artist (under 6 secs)-



HOUSE POINTS



Congratulations to all of our badge winners this week! 🥳

Bronze – Teddi, Olivia, Zachary (Yr3) Lexi (Yr6)

Silver – Grace, Carter H (Yr1) Esmee, Gabriel, Zac, Daisy, Leon (Yr2) Emelia P, Willow, Lucas, Bella (Yr3) Roo (Yr4) Ella Ra, Isabel, Chloe, Stefi (Yr5) Ella, Kitty (Yr6)

Gold – Sameena (Yr1) Sophie (Yr4) Isla, Tamzin (Yr6)



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ATTENDANCE

Whole School: 93.6%
 Ladybirds: 97.4%
 Year 1: 96.2%
 Year 2: 94.3%
 Year 3: 97.9%
 Year 4: 96.8%
 Year 5: 83.9%
 Year 6: 90.1%



Why is high attendance important for your child's education?

As a parent/carer you want the best life chances for your child/children. Being in school every day gives them the very best chance of achieving this. GCSE'S may seem a long way off for your child but 90% of children with average attendance at primary school and into secondary school of around 85% fail to achieve 5 or more GCSEs and one third of children fail to gain any.

Poor attendance in school will limit children's ability to achieve their full potential and this will impact opportunities in life.

IT IS GOOD TO BE GREEN!
 COME ON WMG, WE NEED TO IMPROVE
 ATTENDANCE!
 WE ARE AIMING FOR 97%

THE CLASS NEXT WEEK WITH THE BEST
 ATTENDANCE GETS AN EXTRA PLAYTIME

Year 3 have
 the best
 attendance
 this week!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Happy birthday to all children celebrating their birthday this week! 🎂

Charlie (Y1)
 Anastasia (Y2)
 Euan (Y4)



SCHOOL LOTTERY

Congratulations to Miss S Sheward who won £5.40 last week.

We have raised £2843.20 so far.

We have a new area we are fundraising for now and this is the area to the side of the trim trail. This will be an area dedicated to reflection, one that reaches our senses and provides an area of calmness and sanctuary.

