



THURSDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2024

We would like to wish you a great half term—fingers crossed for good weather! We'll see you back on the 19th at the usual times. Mrs Frampton

Online Safety Day

Thank you to those parents who came and joined us in learning about online safety this week. The world online changes so quickly and we all need to keep up to keep our children safe.

Children's Mental Health Week

We have really enjoyed celebrating and encouraging positive strategies for good mental health this week. Mrs Macmillan has sent a note to parents on MMe sharing ways you can support at home too.

Staff training—school closed to pupils

Tomorrow, on Friday 9th February, teachers will be completing and analysing assessments and starting to write your child's annual report. School will be closed to children tomorrow.

Chance to shine cricket sessions

We are really pleased that children from Y1-5 will have the opportunity to take part in a weekly cricket coaching session over next half term. There is no charge for these sessions.

Half term

School is closed from 12-16 February. We look forward to seeing you on 19th February at the usual times.

Holiday food vouchers

If your child is registered for free school meals, you will have received a £15 voucher for this half term.

Next newsletter—Friday 23rd February

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Attendance

Our expectation for attendance is 96% or above.

The school will not authorise leave in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Holidays are not considered exceptional circumstances and are likely to result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child.

Attendance at the end of this half term

Year group	Attendance	National attendance
1	92.2%	94.7%
2	94.6%	95.1%
3	93.1%	95.4%
4	93.3%	95.2%
5	93.9%	95.0%
6	90.0%	95.2%

These figures are well below national expectations. Please ensure your child is in school, on time, every day they can be.

RAGS 2 RICHES

Our next collection is on the 25th March 2024.We are happy to take any donations (bags) as soon as there are ready. Remember, the more donations we have, the more money the school earns.

LOST PROPERTY/PRE-LOVED UNIFORM

Please check if your child is missing any clothing as we do have a box here of lost property. Also, we have a selection of pre loved uniform in various sizes if you are in need of school jumpers, cardigans etc, just phone or call in to reception.

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New After School Child Care Provision!! Opening Monday 19th February Book NOW! Details below

After school child care provision

We are really excited to let you know that our after school child care club, run by Premier Education will be starting after half term.

The club will run from the end of the school day until 5.30pm. You can book your child for either

End of day until 5.30 (£9)

https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/875746

End of day until 4.30 (£4)

https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/875743

4.30-5.30 (if your child is going to a sports club at school first) (£5)

https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/875748

Children will have a snack and a drink and take part in a range of activities. The club will be held in the old computing room near the Y5 and Y6 gate. Collection is from the outside doors to the room which will be clearly signed.

Booking is essential and children cannot attend the provision without payment being made in advance. Booking can be made until 2pm on the day you need it.

We appreciate the costs are higher than Breakfast Club which is run by the school. The only way we are able to keep costs of Breakfast Club as low as they are is because we receive funding from the National Schools Programme and Waitrose. This funding is only available to school breakfast clubs.

Premier Education do accept childcare vouchers.

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