



## FRIDAY 8 MARCH 2024

Thank you for joining us in school for recent events. It is so nice to be working in partnership with you.  
Mrs Frampton

### 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.

### Parent Survey

The results of our parent survey are attached. Thank you to all those parents who completed the survey this year. Your views will help shape the future of your child's school.

### Scooter Display and workshops

We had such a brilliant day learning scooter tricks last week. The message was don't give up and if you fall jump right up again—a good message for life! It was emphasised to children that you must be wearing the protective gear to ride your scooter safely.

### Clean air day

Thank you to all those parents who popped in after school last week to see what we had been learning about keeping the air around school as clean as we can.

### Year 6 moving to Year 7

All parents who applied for secondary schools in September should have been informed which school your child was offered on Friday last week. There are 9 children on our list without a secondary school named. If you did not apply for a place please contact us so we can help you sort this out.

### Year 1 multi skills

Congratulations to the Year 1 children who represented the school at a multi skills festival on Wednesday. They were excellent!

### Next newsletter— Friday 22nd March

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### Assessment Weeks

Over the next 2 weeks, we will carry out the end of term assessments in reading and maths.

### Big Walk and Wheel

This starts next Monday and runs until 22nd March. Please walk, scoot or cycle to school if you can. If you have to drive, consider parking a little away from school and walking the rest of the journey.

### Quidditch

We are very excited that Mr Moody will be teaching Year 5 and 6 how to play quidditch next week. I wonder if they will be flying around school!

### Young Carers

Our 12 Young Carers will be taking part in an exciting activity day next Wednesday. Thank you to Mrs Macmillan for organising this and to the minibus driver.

### Year 2 Football tournament

12 Y2 children are representing the school in a football tournament next week—good luck!

### Easter service at Highcross Church

Next Wednesday we will be walking to the Church for our Easter services. Unfortunately, due to space, we cannot invite parents to these.

### Year 2 trip to Aviation Museum

Thank you to Y2 parents for paying for the museum trip. We can now confirm this can go ahead.

### Annual Reports

These will be sent home on Friday 22nd March. Parent consultations will happen on 26th and 27th March.

### Table Top Sale

On Thursday 21st March after school we will be holding a Table Top sale of pre - loved school uniform inside the main gates or if raining it will be held in the school hall.

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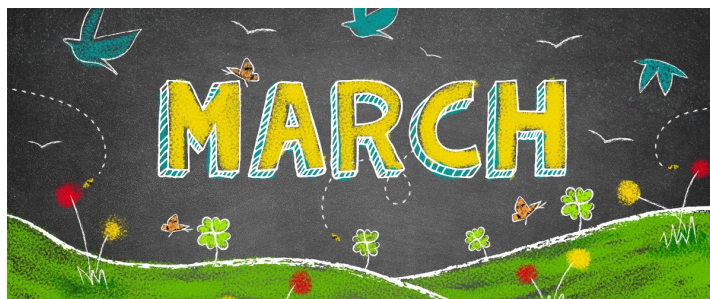
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## Attendance

**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 week

Year group	Attendance	National attendance
1	92.2%	94.1%
2	92.8%	94.5%
3	92.9%	94.7%
4	93.3%	94.7%
5	92.8%	94.5%
6	89.3%	94.3%

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

## World Book Day and Books at Bedtime

It was so lovely to hear the 'buzz' of excitement in the school yesterday, for World Book Day. We were very impressed with the wide variety of costumes demonstrating words such as 'palindrome', 'discombobulated', 'tenebrous' and 'ostentatious'. Every class enjoyed learning all the new words they had found. We would like to say a big 'Thank You' to all of the parents who came in to join us in the afternoon to help with turning a paper plate into a book character. The children really enjoyed having their adults in to work with them and some super pieces were created. Thank you to all the teachers who read to the children for Books at Bedtime after school. This was, yet again, another success and many children were still talking about the stories they had heard as they were walking home with their hot chocolate and biscuit.



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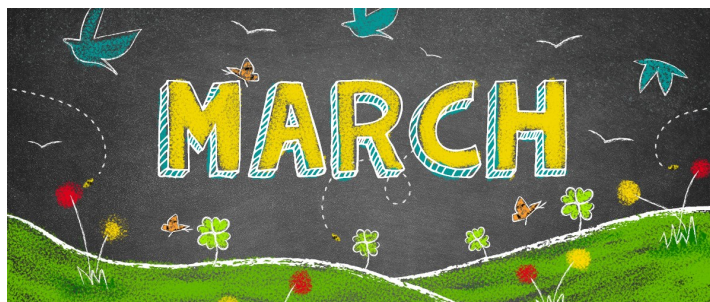
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**New After School Child Care Provision!!  
NOW OPEN!  
Book NOW!  
Details below**

**After school child care provision**

We are really excited to let you know that our after school child care club, run by Premier Education is now open. 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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