

April 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy Easter, for when it arrives!

The Spring Term has sped by with many, many exciting learning opportunities for your children. Thank you for your support; preparing your children for the school day, assisting them with their homework tasks, daily reading and supporting them in school during Parent Reading sessions, 'Circles' Open Morning, Easter Craft Afternoon and Class Assemblies. Statutory test time is almost upon us. Please see the 'Parents' section of the website, which is updated on a regular basis, for a list of useful websites, Apps and activities.

Please take some time to visit the school website to view our completed Curriculum Information Leaflet which is available in the 'Curriculum' section. It has been created with input from a cross section of all stakeholders and publicises our revised vision statement, the aims of the curriculum, the values that underpin the curriculum and our approach to teaching the curriculum across the school. The knowledge and skills that our curriculum focuses on for each year group can also be found in the curriculum section.

Also available on the website and on the reverse of this letter is the updated holiday list which details the holidays until July 2020.

Your support for all our fund raising activities has been greatly appreciated. We have recently received confirmation that we raised £225.85 for The Poppy Appeal. The Spring Term Cake Sale raised £129.10 and the Raisin Challenge raised £293.67 both for School Council funds. £315.19 was raised for Comic Relief.

A huge thank you must go to the PTA who have worked tirelessly in a volunteering role for your children. The Valentines Disco was enjoyed by all who attended. The Mother's Day shop, a new venture, was a huge success and as always the Easter Raffle was extremely well supported with stunning Easter Hampers created as a result of your generous donations.

Happily, our whole school attendance has been above 95% for the first five weeks of this half term. Let's hope we can make it six weeks in a row. Below is the class attendance for the Spring Term.

Spring Term Attendance 2019

Registration Group	%
Mrs Poyner	95
Miss Dakin	96.4
Miss Adams	93.6
Mrs Stone / Mrs White	93.8
Miss Spencer	97.4
Mrs Furber	96.7
Miss Edmondson	95.2
Miss Leah	94.6
Mrs Crotty / Mrs Freeman	96.5
Mr Pearson	95.8
Mr Thomas	96.2

Mr Pattison	96.2
Miss Green / Mrs Ingram	96.6
Whole School	95.8

We welcome Mrs Welsh, a new Teaching Assistant and three new Midday Supervisors; Miss Jones, Miss Strickland and Miss Tomlinson to the Vernon Park staff team.

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to Mrs Nield, a KS2 Teaching Assistant who moves on after the holidays, we wish her all the best in her new post.

Our final Easter traditions will ensure a wonderful end to a very successful term; The Easter Service at St Mary's in the Market Place, the decorate an egg competition and the amazing Easter Bonnet Parade! Please come along and enjoy these annual events.

We look forward to welcoming you all back to school when we return on Tuesday 23rd April, St George's Day wearing red and white to celebrate England's Patron Saint. Happy holidays!

Yours sincerely

Claire E Lee
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