



Hello everyone,

I hope you have all had a good week.

The highlight of the week for me has been seeing Year Three going swimming! As a keen sports person, I place a lot of value on physical activity and healthy lifestyles. I believe swimming is a key life skill which is why it is included in our "50 Things To Do Before 11 3/4" poster (number 39). Once the children are able to swim with confidence, they can tick it off the poster!

We have welcomed some visitors this week. Everyone who has come has commented on how purposeful the learning environment is. They could see how hard staff and children are working and also said how lovely the displays are along the corridors! These could be things we might take for granted, so I was very pleased to hear such positive things being said about our school.

Don't forget we are closed on Monday for Bank Holiday and Thursday for Polling Day.

Enjoy the long weekend.

Evan Hollows

Dates for your diary

- 8th March Return to school
- 19th March Comic Relief Day
- 31st March Easter Bonnet/Egg Decoration Day
- 2nd -16th April Easter Holidays
- 19th April First Day of Summer Term
- 3rd May May Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
- 6th May Polling Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
- 31st May-4th June Summer Half Term
- 21st July Last Day of School. End of Summer Term

50 THINGS TO DO BEFORE AGE 11 3/4

Stick this poster up at home and tick off each character building activity as you experience it.

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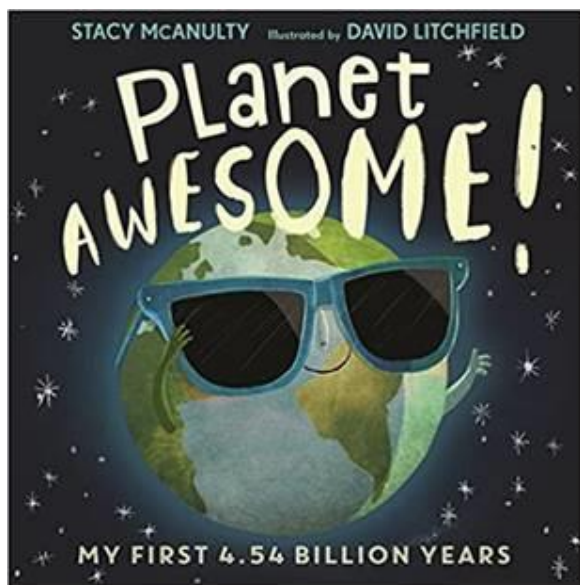
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STEM BOOK OF THE WEEK

In this hilarious and informative book filled to the brim with eye-opening, kid-friendly facts about our planet, you'll find scientifically accurate information from beloved children's book author Stacy McAnulty and vibrant art by award-winning illustrator David Litchfield.



ISBN: 0571345441

Planet Awesome (sometimes known as Earth) presents the story of her first 4.54 billion years, from her birth as a hot, gassy baby planet to the lush, life-giving world we now inhabit.

She can introduce you to her family (other planets and stars), inhabitants (from dinosaurs to humans) and also to her best friend (the moon). And if you've ever wondered what the Earth is made of, or what she likes to do best, look no further.

This compact picture book reimagines planet Earth as an A-list celebrity and is packed with fascinating facts presented as a witty life story in an accessible, conversational style.

BIKES AND SCOOTERS

We are really happy that more of you are coming to school by bike or scooter. Please don't forget to collect yours at the end of each day. We cannot take responsibility for any bikes or scooters left on school property.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Mrs Nicholas has started Outdoor adventurous activities with key stage 2. All pupils made huge improvements in their archery technique this week.



BAKER OF THE WEEK

This week the children have been busy making cornflake cakes, a simple yet delicious treat that they can easily do at home too. This week's baker of the week is Grace Izengo. Well done Grace.

HOMEWORK REMINDER

We would like to remind all parents that the pupil's homework that is set weekly is **NOT OPTIONAL**. Reading, spelling practice and using TTRockstars and Numbots form part of the curriculum that is set out for your child and reinforces outside of the school setting, what they have learnt during the week.

For children in **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6**, homework is set on **Google Classroom** and should be completed online.

Pupils' homework is marked and forms part of their progress report throughout the year. Helping your child with their homework also gives you insight into what is being taught at school and gives you a clearer indication of your child's level of learning. If you have any problems with homework, you can always contact your class teacher on Dojo.



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DAN THE SKIPPING MAN

Dan the Skipping Man will be in for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 on the 4th of May. Once they complete their Skipping course they will be issued with a certificate.

If they would like to purchase a rope in order to practice at home, you can do so by accessing your child's ParentPay. If you don't have access to this, please contact the office.



WATER BOTTLES

As the weather starts to get warmer it is essential that all children have water bottles at school. There has been an increase in children forgetting their water bottles, which is especially concerning on P.E. days. Please ensure your child's water bottle is labelled with their name.

PE TIMETABLE – Children to wear PE Kit to school

CLASS	DAY
1, 2 and Reception	Tuesday
3, 4, 5 and 6	Thursday

SCHOOL TIMES

Breakfast Club	08:00 – 08:30
Morning Gate - EY & KS1	08:40
KS2	08:50
Registers in Class	08:45-09:00
Afternoon Gate	14:40 – 15:00
School Ends – EY & KS1	14:50
KS2	15:00

Please make sure that your children are in school before the gates closes every morning.

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

These are the percentages for the week beginning 19th April 2021

Weekly attendance –19 th April to 23 rd April	
YEAR	PERCENTAGE
Reception	90.4%
Year 1	99.1%
Year 2	93.8%
Year 3	96.3%
Year 4	97.0%
Year 5	97.1%
Year 6	97.6%

The national average for attendance is 95.8% for the whole school year. Our current overall percentage since returning in March is at **96.23%**.

Due to the Lockdown the reporting of our annual attendance has become a little more complex and some pupils attendance may have been unfairly and negatively impacted. Therefore, whilst we work out these issues and how to best present the annual figure, we will only be showing the weekly attendance for the time being.

Please bear in mind that attendance isn't the only part of good percentages. Arriving on time at school is just as important and can also affect a child's education.

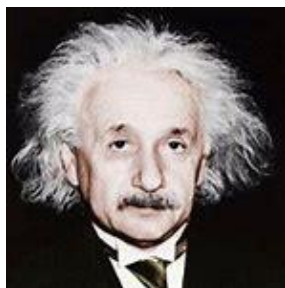
It is important that parents are aware that failure to bring your child to school and falling below the national average could result in fines or court orders being issued by the local authority.



HOUSE POINTS



Curie



Einstein



Hawking



Johnson

10766

10754

10393

10053

Total House points earned by Year Group this week

R	65	75	62	78
1	50	49	37	50
2	27	20	34	34
3	123	102	104	127
4	166	133	95	117
5	0	0	0	0
6	16	29	13	16
T	447	408	345	422

PARENTS, HELP KEEP SCHOOLS OPEN

Do not send your child to school if:

- ✗ they are showing coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms
- ✗ someone in their household is showing symptoms
- ✗ they should be self-isolating, because they have recently travelled to a country on the quarantine list

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