



Dear Parents/Carers,

Since my last newsletter it has been brilliant to see so many children bring their learning to me because of both the quality of their learning and the efforts they have made to improve their work. I have some great examples of improved handwriting and spelling and been told lots of new information about London and prehistoric times too!

Our uptake of extra-curricular clubs has been good again this half term and it was great that a team of children who have been attending gymnastics club represented the school at a gymnastics competition this week and finished 2nd. Well done to all team members!

We have a number of other competitions coming up in the next few weeks including KS2 table tennis which the children have been training for every lunchtime recently.

Next week, we will be doing some work around Children’s Mental Health with the children to coincide with the national week for this and also Safer Internet Day will allow us to review being safe on line with the children.

Attendance:

It has been a tough few weeks with attendance due to illness in some classes but other Classes have been amazing.

Our January Attendance Prize winning Classes ended up being Wolf Class and Zebra Class- a massive well done to both of them and they will receive their prize during the last week of this half term.

As you know we began our weekly attendance raffle for all classes this week. Attending every day got you in the prize draw for your class and then into a phase draw- (EYFS, KS1.KS2) 256 children attended school every day this week which is a good effort. Can we beat it next week?

The winners are in the table below and our February League table has begun!

Attendance League Table (FEBRUARY)

Position	Class	Percentage attendance	WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNERS..... £10 vouchers- T. Comaish (Shark), M.Sanderson (Jaguar), T.Denson (Owl)
1 st	Lion	98.28%	Chocolate prize..... SQUIRREL-N.Chadwick RABBIT-E.Watson OWL-M.Wildman HEDGEHOG-B.Sharp JAGUAR-J.Parry PANGOLIN-T.M Guest PANDA- L.Ruddock ZEBRA-I.Timmins LION- J.Foy SHARK- E. Myers PENGUIN- E.Williams-Critchley WOLF- J.Mannion CHEETAH- B.Panther
2 nd	Penguin	97.0%	
3 rd	Zebra	95.54%	
4 th	Panda	94.9%	
5 th	Owl	94.32%	
6 th	Wolf	93.47%	
7 th	Shark	93.30%	
8 th	Pangolin	93.10%	
9 th	Cheetah	91.59%	
10 th	Squirrel	88.10%	
11 th	Hedgehog	88.0%	
12 th	Jaguar	87.92%	
13 th	Rabbit	73.53%	





We will be having a further raffle this week with every child who has 100% attendance for the week going into the draw!

Special mentions for positively standing out in the last few weeks.....

CLASS	PUPIL	
Squirrel	Ivy Rose B and Teddy R	To follow what is going on in your child's class, please join twitter and follow the class page. It is a great way to see all the learning and fun that goes on in classes. Class newsletters will begin again next Friday so look out for what is going on through them. Also follow @whistonwillis1 for updates and information.
Rabbit	Jacob J and Thomas F	
Owl	Emelia D and Stephanos R	
Hedgehog	Gracie B and Lydia M	
Jaguar	Ricci L and Lenny F	
Pangolin	Antonia H and Lucy Mc	
Panda	Charlie F and Tom L	
Zebra	Erin Mc and Isla D	
Lion	Luna L and Harrison J	
Shark	Alen S and Seb T	
Penguin	Ben M and Jessica P	
Wolf	Peggy Rose C and Evie D	
Cheetah	Maycie W and Luis S	

Parent Governor: Please note we have a vacancy for a parent governor role. If you would like more details on the role please contact the school office.

FSM VOUCHERS: We have been informed by Knowsley Council that they will be offering vouchers to those families who are eligible for the February half term (starting on 21/2/22). These will be distributed in the usual way so please monitor your emails.

HEALTHY SNACKS: This year we are aiming to achieve Gold level in our Rights Respecting School Journey. In order to achieve this, we need to ensure that the children have access to a HEALTHY break time snack. Fruit, baked crisps and low sugar cereal bars are encouraged. Sweets and chocolate should not be brought to school for snack time. As always, we only want the best for the children and making healthy eating choices is part of our ongoing commitment to providing children with the tools to live a full and healthy life. Thank you for your support with this.

SCHOOL UNIFORM: We are looking to ensure that all uniform that is in a good condition once your child has grown out of it is put to good use. If your child outgrows their jumper or cardigan/ PE kit and it is still in good condition, please think about donating it to school. We are looking to develop a stock of uniform so that any pupils and parents can have access to school jumpers or PE kits if they need them. Please hand in any donations to the school office.

Kind regards

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