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### Spring Term Newsletter 6

#### Value ~ resilience

Dear Parents,

#### Year 3 Class Assembly

This morning we were treated to a fabulous assembly from Year 3. Several children impressed us with their ability to tell the time, others told us about the importance of supporting Red Nose Day. The children acted out some sketches to inform us about what to do if there are incidents in the playground, and Lucas was sent to Miss May's office! We have some really talented dancers in Year 3 and we were treated to some fantastic routines. It was a great start to the day – thank you Year 3!

#### Parking and Respect

Once again, we have had complaints regarding inconsiderate parking at the front of the school. Vehicles should not be parked on the zig-zag lines outside the school gates as this can present a safety issue for people trying to cross the road.

One of our whole school values is 'Respect' and we teach the children about the importance of respecting each other, the community and the wider world. Please can you ensure you are respecting the local residents and other parents when dropping and collecting your children from school.

#### Safer Internet Day

Tuesday was Safer Internet Day across the country. Throughout the year we teach the children about how to stay safe online, but this was a day to spend more time thinking about how amazing the internet is and also to make the children aware of the risks involved if they post personal information online. Younger children used stories to develop their understanding of strangers and 'safer strangers'. Other year groups looked at gaming online and teaching the children that people online aren't always who they say they are.

We have put information and advice for parents onto our website. Please look under the 'Information' tab and go to the School Newsletters section, and you will find documents attached.

#### Squash Experience – by Jade

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, KS2 got the opportunity to experience what squash is like. The children had three squash experts to help them in the hall. The squash experts had five exciting activities for the children to have a go at. There was an around the world activity. On that activity, you had to bounce the ball on the wall, then hit it softly with the racket. On the next activity, you had a large net. You had to do the same thing, just with a net. The third activity was called bounce and catch. You had to jump over a triangular shaped mat while throwing and catching the ball. On the fourth activity, you needed to jump over some ladders in a groovy way. Some children tried moon walking and the conga. The next activity was the pride of the squash experts. They had brought in an inflatable squash room. The



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children had to bounce the ball on the wall once so their partner could also bounce it once. All the children had an amazing time. Tired, exhausted and excited, the children exited the hall.

**Tante Marie Experience – by Samantha**

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February, Savannah and I went to the Tante Marie. We had lots of fun. We were shown how to make pizza and chocolate brownies, then we went into the kitchen and made them. They were delicious.

**Tag Rugby Festival – by Mikayeel & Jamie**

On Wednesday, Year 6 went to a Tag Rugby Festival at Winston Churchill School. We did a lot of activities, including having to take down dummies. After that, we played matches against the other schools. It was a lot of fun.

**Attendance**

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
87.84	95.20	<b>98.33</b>	92.50	94.62	97.60	93.33	95.83

Our whole school attendance for last week was 95.38%. Congratulations to Year 1 with an impressive 98.33%.

**Punctuality – number of late marks**

4 Jan – 6 Jan	9 Jan – 13 Jan	16 Jan – 20 Jan	23 Jan – 27 Jan	30 Jan – 3 Feb
17	41	37	14	24

The number of lates crept up again last week. It's really important for your child's learning for them to be on time. Please make a real effort to ensure your children are on time every morning.

**Stars of the Week**

Y1 – Amy & Riley

Y2 – Connor & Jayden

Y3 – Fabiola & Levi

Y4 – Mason & Chloe

Y5 – Zarar & Steven

Y6 – Emma & Ellie-May



I wish you all a restful and relaxing half term. Let's hope the weather improves! I look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

**Children's Centre News**

With Half Term next week, the Children's Centre will remain open Monday to Friday 9 – 3.30 for any Advice & Information. We will be running a Play Session on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February from 10 – 11.30. This will be held at the Centre and not in the school hall so come along with children under 5 years old to join in with various activities.

Gill, Louisa, Claire and Carol

Yours sincerely,  
Miss Sarah May  
Head of School