

Key Dates for your Diary

Class Assemblies

1st February - Year 2

8th February - Year 4

Thursday & Friday 1st & 2nd February

Year 1 & 2 Bake Sale

Friday 2nd February

Year 2

Educational visit to the Bank of England

Friday 2nd February

Year 4 & 5

Workshop with University of Arts London-Central Saint Martins ,Lethaby Gallery . Granary Square.

Kings Cross.

Friends and Families Workshops

Wednesday 7th February @ 2.30pm

Wednesday 21st February @ 2.30pm

Wednesday 28th February @ 2.30pm

Monday 5th February

Year 1

Educational Visit to the Tower of London

Tuesday 6th & Thursday 8th February

Home school learning conversations

Half Term Holiday

Monday 12th – Friday 16th February

Dear Friends and Families,

As we fast approach the February half term, I would like to thank all our parents and carers who got behind the drive to ensure full school uniform is worn by all children. The school council introduced the new uniform in March 2022 and we are all pleased to see everyone wearing it with pride and a sense of belonging. If you need support or assistance with school uniform, please speak directly with the school office or a member of our inclusion team.

It has been a very busy start to the year with new staff settling in and additional support classes getting underway. Michelle Crump, a member of our mid-day support and breakfast club staff, will be leaving us at half term to spend more time enjoying and supporting her grandchildren and family. We thank her for her time and support over the years and wish Michelle well in the future. Sara Duff, who is well know to all our pupils, will be starting her day at school earlier to support the breakfast club before the school day.

I would also like to thank Siddeka Rahman, who has been with us as a temporary office worker whilst we recruited to the post. I am delighted to welcome Christine O’Sullivan who will be starting in our office next week, working alongside Siddeka. Siddeka, will be with us until half term. We hope to see Siddeka in a temporary capacity when we need any additional support or at especially busy times of the year.

I am delighted to inform that ZooNation, who worked with some of classes last year, are moving their offices into Robert Blair. We are very much looking forward to developing a working relationship together to enhance our STEAM curriculum through the performance arts.

The half term ends Friday 9 February (yes that’s next week!). Meanwhile, I wish you all an enjoyable and restful weekend.

House Points

Year totals so far...



6276

Paradise Park



5201

Clock Tower:



6618

Cally Bridge



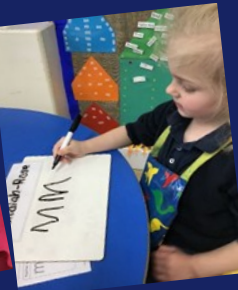
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Market Road

Foundation Stage — Reception & Nursery



Reception have had a busy month sharing new books which include, The Tiny Seed, Charlie Cook's Favourite Book, Oliver's Vegetables, The Enormous Turnip. They have also read non-fiction books on growing and planting. The class went on a school trip to the Little Angel Theatre to watch Charlie Cook's Favourite Book.



During this half term **Nursery** have been working on letter formation and writing their names.



The children have also begun to learn the first seven sounds in the Read write Inc phonics programme! The children have been working on turn taking and



building models collaboratively.



The show was about a boy who loved to read lots of different books and he goes on many adventures as he reads the stories. We travelled on two buses to the theatre and the children were exceptionally well

behaved and a credit to our school!

In maths this month we have been using numicon to order numbers from 1 to 10, we have also been using numicon to work out 1 more than sums and next week we will be learning about additional sums talking about + and =.



In Maths we have been learning about 2d shapes, repeated patterns and the language of height and length.



Our role play area changed to a Garden Centre and the children have enjoyed learning about plants, how they grow and how we need to care for plants. They have been looking at a variety of root vegetables; turnips, beetroot, parsnips, potatoes, leeks, carrots, radishes which linked in the book Oliver's Vegetables.

Years One, Two & Three

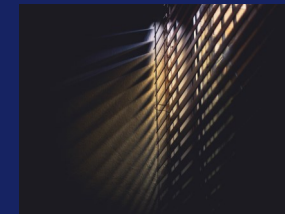
In **Year 2** the children have enjoyed their history topic learning this term.

They now know many facts about castles and also historical knowledge of the Battle of Hastings.

They had fun preparing for their Year 2 class assembly, All about Castles!



Year 3 have been exploring shadows as part of their Science topic on Light. The children were investigating how the size of a shadow changes depending on how close or distant the light source is.



For maths **Year 1** have been comparing pairs of numbers up to and including 20, counting backwards from 20 as well as representing numbers using different objects around them.



Years Four, Five & Six



This term, **Year 4's** topic has been World Kitchen. We have had lots of fun finding out about different countries and their national dishes.



In Science we have been exploring Sound and how it travels.



We have been experimenting with pitch and volume using a decibel meter. In Maths we have looked at perimeter and fractions. We are now moving onto looking at improper, mixed number and equivalent fractions. In English we are in the process of writing our non-chronological report.

Year 5's literary wizards cracked the Mayan cocoa code, brewing up a blend of history and humour. From glyphs to gourmet, they penned a Mayan hot chocolate recipe that's not just rich in flavour but also

literacy brilliance!



Embarking on a global adventure, **Year 6** have explored diverse countries in North America, honing our geographical understanding. Integrating math skills, we've applied budgeting expertise to plan dream holidays, making learning a thrilling and practical experience for all.



Stay tuned for more updates on our cross-curricular journey!

ATTENDANCE

Target 96.5%

Best Attendance this month

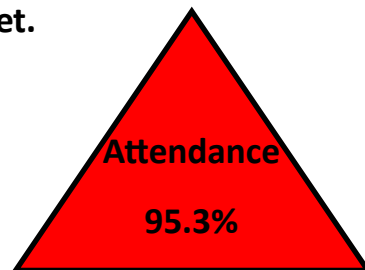
Year 3: 96.5%



Best Punctuality this month

Year 2: 98.7%

Unfortunately, due to high levels of sickness and a number of persistent absentees we have not met our target.



We expect every child to be in school,
on time, every day!



We remind you that all holidays during term time will not be authorised and will incur a fine from the Local Authority.

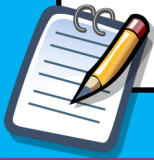
Year 1&2 Cake Sale



Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd
February.

The money raised will go
towards the outstanding
balance for our class trip.





Little Reminders...

**Childrens Mental
Health Awareness
Week**

5th– 9th February

**Spring Half Term Holiday
12th-16th February**

**Flouride Varnish Pro-
gramme for Nurs-Yr 2
Friday 2nd February**

**Yr 4 & 5 to
Lethaby Gallery
Friday 2nd of February**

**Yr 1 & 2 Bake Sale
Please come and support us to raise
funds for our trip
Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd February**

**Home School Learning
Conversations
Tuesday 6th & Thursday 8th
February**

**Yr 1 trip to
Tower of London
Monday 5th of February**



**Yr 2 trip to Bank of
England Museum
Friday 2nd of February**

