

Be Ready

Be Safe

Be Mindful

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## **Key Dates for your Diary**

Halloween Dress Up Day Tuesday 31 October Bring a gold coin

Friends and Families Workshops

Wednesday 1st November @ 9.05am Wednesday 8th November @ 9.05am Wednesday 15th November @ 9.05am Wednesday 22nd November 9.05am Wednesday 29th November @ 9.05am

#### **Class Assemblies**

16th November -Year 5 23rd November -Year 3 30th November -Year 1

Friday 3rd November

Children's Centre Educational Visit Little Angel Theatre

Thursday 23rd November Catch Up Flu Vaccine Visit

Winter fair
Wednesday 20 December
3.15-4.45pm

Winter Half-Term Break
Friday 22nd Dec 2023- Friday 5th Jan 2024

First Day Back- Mon 8th Jan 2024

Dear Friends and Families,

It has been another busy and eventful month. Thank you to for supporting our new staff and children as they have settled into our school and community.

As the weather is changing and darker evenings are approaching please ensure children are appropriately dressed for the weather with their coats, gloves, scarves and hats labelled with their name and class.

This half term we trialled our 'Friends and Family Meetings' in the afternoons. Going forward we will alternate these meetings half termly between mornings and afternoons. Next half term Friends and Family sessions will take place Wednesday mornings at 9:05am. The information shared at these meetings is helpful in supporting us to work with our families and community. Please come along to share your thoughts and ideas.

Thank you to everyone who shared their comments during our Home School Learning Conversations. We will send out a short survey for those of you who did not get the opportunity to contribute at the evenings.









YEAR 6 CARDFIELDS RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL JOURNEY
MONDAY 30TH October 2023

**House Points** 

Year totals so far...



**Paradise Park** 

1,093

**Clock Tower:** 



**Cally Bridge** 

1,137

**Market Road** 



## Foundation Stage — Reception & Nursery

The Nursery children have been talking about people who are important to them and who can help at home, at school and in the community.





During this last week, we read 'Handa's Surprise', danced to African music and made our green animal masks as part of the Black History month activities.





The **Reception** children have been busy learning about measurement. The children enjoyed measuring each other's height and measuring objects around the classroom, using a tape measure.







This week, the children have been learning about the seven continents, focusing on Africa as part of our learning about Black History Month. The children have made a fruit salad, using some of the fruits from the story 'Handa's Surprise'.







## Years One, Two and Three

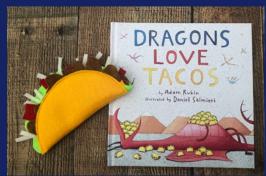




As part of English children in **year 2** have been reading the book 'Dragons Love Tacos'. They have been learning to write a set of

instructions using bossy verbs and commands. They were then able to enjoy a Tacos using their own set of instructions.





**Year 3** have been doing gardening sessions with Caroline. They looked at a bird's nest, traced slugs and observed their eggs and handled a bee's nest.









In maths they have been doing a lot of adding, focusing on how to use the part part whole model to help them add.

For science, **Year 1** have been doing a lot of experiments with materials.

The children have been looking at what materials float or sink, absorbent and non absorbent and what materials are transparent or translucent.





# **ATTENDANCE**

**Target 96.5%** 

**Best Attendance this month** 

Year 4: 96.4%



**Best Punctuality this month** 

Reception: 99.7%

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

our target.

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93.48%

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.

A huge thank you to all those who supported our MacMillan **Coffee Morning.** We managed to raise £150.80!



Without all your generosity and kindness to this worthy cause we would not have been able to raise so much.

Another big thank you to all those who supported World Mental Health Day on the 10th of October by wearing something yellow. We were able to raise £66.76.

This generous donation will go towards school funds & a charity which supports people with mental





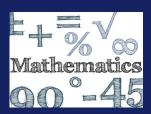


## **Years Four, Five and Six**

#### Year 4

Multiplication is vital in mathematics, particularly in Year 4 where they are preparing for their Multiplication Tables Check

(MTC) in the summer. The children used Cuisenaire rods to aid them in





#### Year 6

As part of their science learning, the children learnt about the role of fungi in food production.



To learn more, they tried some blue cheese safe to say, it wasn't a hit and no-one went back for seconds!





## Music is a key part of our curriculum - In Year 4 & 5, the children are learning the violin whilst our Year 6s are now working on developing their ukulele skills.



#### Year 5

*In Year 5, the children* have been studying rivers. To demonstrate their understanding, they worked collaboratively to 🖁 make the course of a river.







We look forward to seeing you at our
Friends and Families'
Workshops











# **November workshops**

Wednesday 1st Nov, 9.05am

How to support your child with writing with Ms Brooks

Wednesday 8th Nov, 9.05am

Anxiety & children session 1 with School Well Being Service

Wednesday 15th Nov, 9.05am

Anxiety & children session 2 with School Well Being Service

Wednesday 22nd Nov, 9.05am

Communication with Ms Salik

Wednesday 29th Nov, 2.30pm

Online Safety with Ms Salik



# Little Reminders...

**Class Assemblies** 

Please see front page for dates this

November.

We look forward to seeing you there



31st Oct

Deadline for Secondary School Applications

23rd Nov
Catch up Flu
Vaccination



Year 6 Cardfields

Residential Journey

Mon 30th
Oct to Fri 3

Winter Half-Term Break
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# Halloween Dress Up

When: Tuesday 31st of October

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