

Happy Diwali!



Reception families had a fantastic Diwali party on Wednesday. Pupils enjoyed dancing, mehndi, making diya lamps and designing rangoli patterns. There were also lots of delicious sweet and savoury treats to sample! Happy Diwali everyone!

Reception Celebrations



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 14: Freedom of thought, belief and religion.

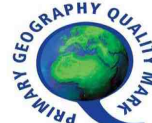


International
School Award
2010-2013



Healthy Schools

Eco-Schools



SILVER
Extended Services
Warwickshire



Citizenship



On Tuesday and Wednesday, Year 6 visited Leamington town hall as part of Local Democracy Week. Pupils saw behind the scenes at the town hall, met the Mayor in the Mayor's Parlour and, with the assistance of the Electoral Services Team from Warwick District Council, cast their votes in a ballot box just as they would do in a real election. The children also participated in workshops about women's suffrage and the electoral system.

This was a useful and interesting experience for pupils who now have a greater understanding of why democracy is so important for a fair society.



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Sport's Hall Athletics



Congratulations to the KS2 pupils who attended Monday's Sport's Hall Athletics event at Champion School. The children competed in a range of athletic challenges including running, jumping, hurdling and relay.

School has now received its Silver Sport's Award from the Coventry and Warwickshire School Sport's Partnership in recognition of its commitment to sporting activity.



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Article 31: Leisure, play and culture.

National Grid Visit



As part of their science learning, Y4 participated in a session led by National Grid on Wednesday. Pupils learnt how electricity is generated and transported to people's homes. They were also shown underground cables and learnt about how important it is to be energy efficient and to use renewable energy sources where possible.

YR Music Project



Over the last few weeks, Reception have been having great fun learning with music practitioner Nicola Burleigh who is an Early Years specialist. Nicola completed her last session with the children this week and, as you can see, everybody has had a fantastic time! More information about the sessions coming soon...



We will be holding a special MUFTI (non-uniform) day on Friday 16th November in aid of Children In Need. Please bring a donation of at least 50p for your child to wear their own choice of clothes. All proceeds will go to the Children In Need charity. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Children In Need

YR Parent Workshops

We are holding parent/carer reading workshops for Reception families on Thursday 15th November from 5.00—6.00pm and Friday 16th November 2018 from 9.15—10.15am. The content of each session is the same so families only need to attend once.

During the workshops, staff will share ways to support your child's reading development at home. They will also be able to answer any questions you might have about books and reading.

Reading Events

Don't forget that the Y3 JM Reading Café is on Monday 12th November at 2.45pm. Y3 AH have their Reading Café on Wednesday 14th November at 2.45pm. Please come along to enjoy lots of lovely stories with your child. Meet outside the school office and you will be taken to the hall where you will meet your child.

New Attendance Rewards

After a review of attendance we are pleased to announce new rewards for children who achieve a high level of attendance in school. As you are aware good attendance in school enables your child to gain a good level of achievement within school. Our school attendance target is 97%. It is important that all dental and medical appointments are made outside of the school day where possible.



Collect Golden Tickets for your chance to win a tablet computer

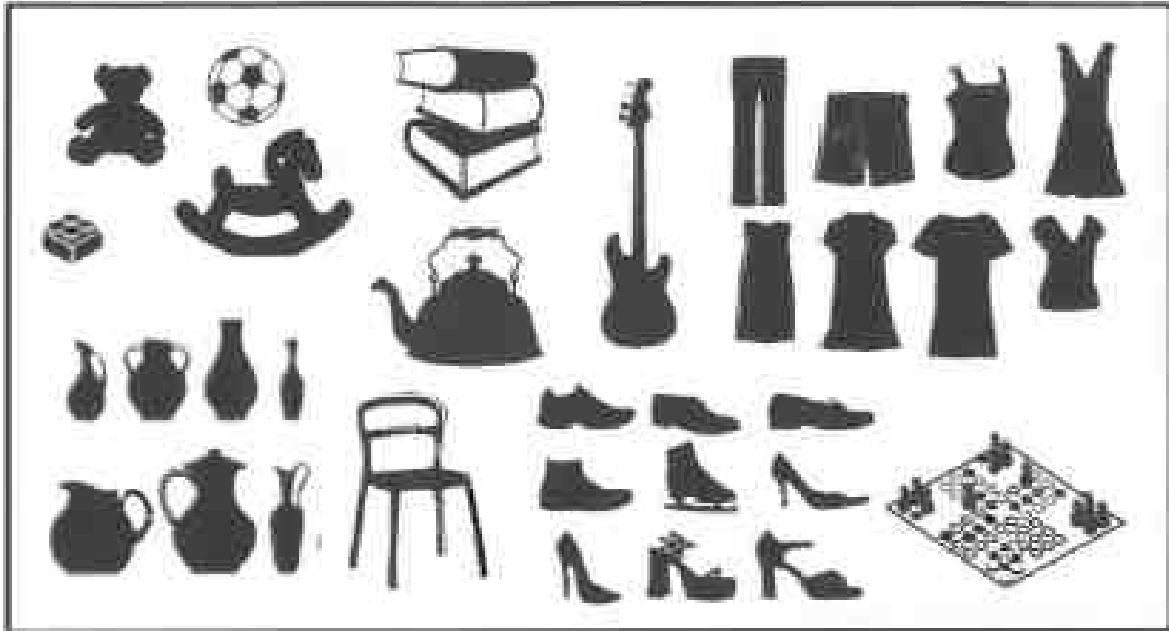


Golden tickets will be given out in four weekly blocks to children who have 100% attendance during that period. The first four week block will be Monday 5th November to Friday 30th November. The next four weeks will begin on the 3rd December 18 to 11th January 19. The more tickets your child collects the more entries into the prize draw they will have. The prize draw will be take place at the end of the Summer Term.



Special 100% attendance badges and certificate for those children who are in school for the whole term.

WANTED



DONATIONS FOR OUR UPCOMING

JUMBLE SALE

SAT 17th NOVEMBER

10.30AM - 12.00PM

ANY DONATIONS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED

PLEASE LEAVE IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE

MANY THANKS FROM SYDENHAM PTA



Well done to YR AH, Y2 KG, Y3 AH, Y6 JB and Y6 KC who had the highest attendance at school this week with a brilliant 100%

Attendance for other classes this week was as follows:

Please note that our school attendance target is 97%.

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| YR RK | 97% |
| Y2 AP | 97% |
| Y1 EL | 93% |
| Y1 JL | 93% |
| Y4 CD | 93% |
| Y4 KJ | 93% |
| Y5 CB | 93% |
| Y5 JvS | 93% |
| Y3 JM | 90% |

The minimum acceptable attendance, as stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority, is 95%.

Low attendance results in poorer educational progress and attainment.



**UN Convention on the Rights of the Child:
Article 3 (Best Interests of the Child.)**

Autumn Term Diary Dates

Please note that diary dates are correct at the time of publication but they are subject to change, sometimes at short notice, due to matters beyond our control.

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| Monday 12th November 2018 | Y3 JM Reading Cafe at 2.45pm in the small hall –Y3 JM parents/carers are invited to attend. |
| Tuesday 13th November 2018 | Y1 JL class assembly at 10.15am. |
| Wednesday 14th November 2018 | Y3 AH Reading Cafe at 2.45pm in the small hall –Y3 AH parents/carers are invited to attend. |
| Thursday 15th November 2018 | Y3 visit Gurwara—Sikhs in WWI exhibition. |
| Thursday 15th November 2018 | “Reading With Your Child” session for YR parents/carers from 5.00—6.00pm. |
| Friday 16th November 2018 | “Reading With Your Child” session for YR parents/carers from 9.15—10.15am. |
| Friday 16th November 2018 | Children In Need MUFTI (non-uniform) day. |
| Saturday 17th November 2018 | PTA Jumble sale, 10.00am—12.00pm. |
| Monday 19th November 2018 | Language of the Week—Hungarian |
| Tuesday 20th November 2018 | Open morning for prospective Reception parents 2019/20 |
| Friday 23rd November 2018 | School closed for staff training (INSET) - Talk for Writing training, led by Pie Corbett. |
| Monday 26th November 2018 | School closed for staff training (INSET) - Child Protection training, led by Adrian Over. |
| Tuesday 27th November 2018 | Y5 JvS class assembly at 9.15am. |
| Wednesday 28th November 2018 | Parent’s Evening for Y1—6 from 3.30—7.00pm. |
| Thursday 29th November 2018 | Parent’s Evening for Y1—6 from 3.30—5.30pm. |
| Monday 3rd December 2018 | Christmas Crafternoon for Reception families. |
| Wednesday 5th December 2018 | Y2 Christmas show at 9.30am. |

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| Wednesday 5th—Friday 7th December 2018 | Y6 residential visit to Marle Hall, Wales. |
| Monday 10th—Wednesday 12th December 2018 | PTA Present Wrap Room |
| Wednesday 12th December 2018 | Y1 Christmas show at 9.30am. |
| Thursday 13th December 2018 | Flu immunisation for pupils in YR—5. |
| Thursday 13th December 2018 | Reception, Y1 and Y2 visit to Warwick Arts' Centre to see "Wilde Creatures" (1.30pm performance.) |
| Friday 14th December 2018 | Y5 and Y6 visit to The Birmingham Repertory Theatre to see "The Wizard of Oz." |
| Monday 17th December 2018 | Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day. |
| Tuesday 18th December 2018 | KS1 Christmas parties (PM.) |
| Wednesday 19th December 2018 | KS2 Christmas parties (PM.) |
| Wednesday 19th December 2018 | Reception Nativity at 9.30am. |
| Thursday 20th December 2018 | Y3/4 carol concert at 2.15pm |
| Friday 21st December 2018 | Y5/6 carol concert at 9.30am. |
| Friday 21st December 2018 | Break up for the Christmas holiday. |

Christmas holiday from Monday 24th December 2018 to Friday 4th January 2019

(Children return to school on Tuesday 8th January 2019.)

Please note that school is closed for staff training (INSET) on Monday 7th January 2019 - online training on health and safety, forced marriage and honour based violence, female genital mutilation and safeguarding.

Sydenham Super Stars!



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See you all again on Monday.

Best wishes from Miss Glenny and Miss Challand