



STARS OF THE WEEK

Paige Taylor
Jess Taylor
Harlow Kielty
Archie Wilson
Paul Patterson
Ollie Armstrong
Kaidan Ramsay

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK OF SPRING

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK: 98.1%

Nursery (Seahorses) -100.0%
Reception (Turtles) - 99.3%
Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 97.3%
Year 2 (Puffins) - 96.4%
Year 3 (Sharks) - 98.3%
Year 4 (Penguins) - 99.1%

Well Done Seahorses and Turtles!

2021 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 3rd May	School closed for May bank holiday
Wednesday 19th May	Rescheduled Y4 residential visit to Robinwood
Friday 28th May	School Closes for Half Term Break (normal time)
Monday 7th June	School Reopens for Summer Half Term 2
Friday 16th July	School closes for Summer Holiday

OUR FIRST WEEK BACK

It's been an absolute pleasure to welcome the children back again for the start of the summer term. Yet again they have returned with excellent attitudes to their school work and great behaviour which both go a very long way to helping them make rapid progress with their work. During the past few weeks the school staff have been identifying areas of learning that we feel we need to help the children catch up with and have adjusted our curriculum accordingly. We are focusing very strongly on reminding children of some of the basic expectations we have of them such as consistently using capital letters and full stops and writing neatly and appreciate any support from parents with this when the children are working in their homework books. We continue to hold a whole school assembly each Friday through a video link to each classroom and add photos of our award winners to our Facebook Page, so look out for those coming through.

BATTERY RECYCLING

Parents are reminded that we now have a battery recycling point in school. Please do not dispose of batteries in your general waste but send them into school with your child. We've been amazed at the number of batteries we have already collected. Every battery we collect goes a little way to helping protect the environment!



COVID TESTS/TESTING

We hold a small stock of Covid tests in school. Should any member of your household begin to show Covid symptoms and you are unable to attend a testing site, please let us know. This is likely to be a quicker way to get a test than by post and therefore should reduce the amount of time a family may need to self-isolate if the result is negative as well as getting children back into school more quickly. Our school staff continue to take 2 Covid tests each week as part of the testing programme to pick up any asymptomatic Covid cases. There is more information here about how anyone can access testing kits for home use:

[SYMPTOM FREE TESTING](#)

Breakfast & After School Clubs

Our after school club for children in Reception to Year 4 has restarted this term. The club runs every school day and children can stay until 5.15pm at the latest. If you would like your child to attend please contact the school office to let us know. Costs per session per child are £2.50 up to 4.15pm, £3.50 up to 4.45pm and £5.00 up to 5.15pm. These will be added to your SchoolGrid account.

Due to Covid restrictions we currently need to keep children in their class or household bubbles so the club is run in the hall. Children should be collected from the main school entrance. We hope that from September we will be able to open up a wider range of after school clubs.

Breakfast Club also runs daily in the hall from 8am. The children enjoy toast, cereal and a drink before school and are guaranteed to be punctual for registration time! All of this is just £1 per session. Please let us know beforehand if you'd like to book your child into Breakfast Club. We're really pleased to see this club getting busier again.

PTA FUNDRAISING

Our PTA continue to work very hard to raise much needed additional funds for school. They recently received a payment of over £800 from Our School Lottery which is pretty impressive considering we currently only have 50 people buying tickets! We'd love to increase this again—if you'd like to purchase tickets please visit:

[YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY](#)

We still have weekly winners and our every ticket has a chance of winning the £25,000 Jackpot. Our PTA are also in the process of organising class Movie Nights again in May—these were extremely popular when we held them before Christmas and helped us raise lots of money. Look out for dates coming through very soon.

HOMEWORK

Homework will continue to be set each Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday. We have tried to keep our homework as straightforward as possible and much of it can be completed independently by the children. Reading Buddy is proving to be very popular indeed with the children as their 'Buddy' supports them to develop a range of reading strategies. Please support your child to complete their homework each week as this really does impact on their learning.

DOODLEMATHS MEGASTARS!

This week we are celebrating the first few of our children reaching 100 day streaks in their DoodleMaths!

Well done to: **Sophie Taylor, Lilly Taylor, Bobby Johnson and Cora Cooper** for this amazing achievement!