

**Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Dear Parents and Carers



**Unveiling of the Silent Soldier**

We start the new half term with a number of pieces of good news. The first is the official unveiling of the Silent Soldier in the school's poppy garden which took place on Wednesday morning. The school marked the occasion by welcoming members of the Royal British Legion, local councillors Keith Morley and Marie Wright, and school governors. Pupils from Class 3 led a beautiful whole school service in which poems and prayers were read, poppy seeds were scattered, and remembrance poppies were laid as part of the soldier's official welcome. We feel privileged to have this unique opportunity to provide a 'home' to the soldier and I know that our school community will do its utmost to look after and respect him. Many thanks to Mrs Eley for all the effort involved in organising this event and to Mrs Jackson for the many hours she spent creating and painting the poppies with the children.

**Halton Primary Arts Network (HPAN) Performance Evening at The Brindley Theatre**

Another piece of wonderful news from the week was the fantastic performance of our school choir. Twenty children from Classes 2, 3 and 4 provided the audience at the Brindley Theatre with memorable performances of 'Proud' and 'Eye of the Tiger'. They sang and danced superbly! The children also joined pupils from other schools on stage for two further songs on this wonderful evening as part of the Halton Primary Arts Network (HPAN). I would like to thank the children for working so hard on their performances and for making us all feel so.... proud! Thanks to Andrew Curphey, Mrs Bennett and Mrs Draper for all their hard work in preparing the children and supporting them on the day.



**STARS OF THE WEEK**



Class 1	<b>Georgie:</b> for being enthusiastic in everything she has done this week!
Class 2	<b>Lexia:</b> for always smiling and trying her best
Class 3	<b>Sophia:</b> for settling in so well and being so polite
Class 4	<b>Cameron:</b> for working hard and being an excellent role model

**Parents' Evenings: Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March**

This term's meetings between parents/carers and class teachers will take place on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** next week. Many of you have already booked your appointments with the school office. If you haven't done this, please do call into school or give the office a ring as soon as possible. Our teachers are very much looking forward to meeting with you all to ensure that you are fully up to speed with how your child is progressing through the year and how you can support his/her learning and development at home. Please note that **Sports Club** will run as normal on Wednesday.



- 2<sup>nd</sup> March: Non Uniform Day for Class 2
- 5<sup>th</sup> March: Community Worship (9.05 am)
- 5<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day: Share a Million Stories
- 13<sup>th</sup> March: Sport Relief (more details coming soon...)

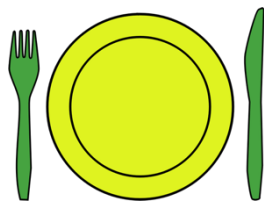
### Whole School Attendance

Well done to **Classes 1** and **2** for exceeding our target of 96% this week. Congratulations to Class 2 for winning the Attendance Cup again; our Year 2 pupils have now been awarded with their fourth 'HERO' letter so will have another **non-uniform day** on **Monday** next week. Well done, Class 2!

### ATTENDANCE HEROES

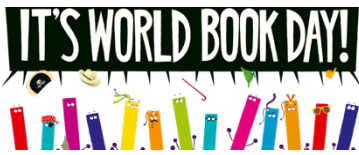


Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Whole School
96.6%	98.4%	95.8%	87.3%	94.5%



### Healthy Eating Competition

Our lovely Midday Assistants work very hard to promote good table manners and healthy eating every lunchtime. They are running an exciting competition for pupils in Classes 1 and 2: the children are tasked with drawing and decorating a healthy meal. A sheet has been provided and all entries should be returned no later than **Friday** next week. Mrs Boon, Mrs Delacoe, Miss Farrell and Mrs White can't wait to receive lots of entries!



### World Book Day: 5<sup>th</sup> March

This year's World Book Day theme is 'Share a Million Stories'. We would like the children to share stories with each other on Thursday afternoon. All children are invited to bring in bedtime clothes to change into for the afternoon. These could be pyjamas, onesies and/or dressing gowns. They can also bring teddies and a snuggly blanket if they wish. If the children have a favourite bedtime story book, they can bring that along too. Andrew Curphey will introduce the afternoon with a story telling session and then the children will share their stories with each other. The classes will all mix so the older children can share books with younger friends and family. We hope the children will discover some new favourites.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely

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