

## Attendance News

*Congratulations to our weekly attendance winners this term who have celebrated with chocolate and treats for their class.*

Wk Commencing	KS1	KS2
8 <sup>th</sup> July	RT - 98.3%	5H - 98.8%
1 <sup>st</sup> July	1CL - 97.3%	3C - 98.8%
98.8%	1CL - 98%	3D - 98.1%
17 <sup>th</sup> June	1CL - 96.7%	6C - 96.5%
10 <sup>th</sup> June	RT - 96.1%	4S - 99.4%
20 <sup>th</sup> May	2A - 99.7%	5H - 99.7%
13 <sup>th</sup> May	1CL - 99.7%	6C - 100%
6 <sup>th</sup> May	RL - 99.3%	5H - 97.8%
29 <sup>th</sup> April	1CL - 100%	5H - 99.4%
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	RL - 95.3%	3D - 97.7%
15 <sup>th</sup> April	2R - 98.7%	6J - 99.4%
8 <sup>th</sup> April	2S - 99%	4S - 99.4%



**Termly attendance prizes** have been a big hit and well received by the children, remember, 100% attendance for the week earns a raffle ticket for the prize draw!



### Summer Term 100% Attendance

Congratulations to all the children who achieved 100% attendance throughout this school term, they will be rewarded with a certificate and chocolate – Well Done! It is wonderful to see so many children and their families making such an effort to come to school, on time, every day. We do, as always, thank you for your support with attendance and punctuality.

### 100% Attendance for The Year



A huge congratulations to the children with 100% attendance over the year who were all entered into a draw to win a bike! The winners were..

KS1 – Lola RL  
KS2 – Tiffany 6C



## Acorn

The acorn children have had an event packed year. We have enjoyed many trips, including trips to the farm, Chill Factore and the Christmas panto. At the recent Fun Day in school, the acorn children thoroughly enjoyed the 'Magic Bubbles'. All the children enjoyed chasing them, popping them and playing with them. The acorn children have had an amazing year and are thriving with the curriculum on offer.



## Nursery

What a busy final term we have had in Nursery! Earlier in the term, we were celebrating our love of number by baking some Numicon shape biscuits...they were delicious. Recently, Nursery were also very fortunate to receive some caterpillars to care for. This gave us an opportunity to learn about their lifecycle and we have been observing how the caterpillars will grow and change into butterflies.



Nursery took part in a whole school Fun Day to celebrate the school's amazing 'Outstanding' Ofsted result. We particularly enjoyed the T-Rex experience, brilliant bubbles along with the bouncy castles and slides. This week, we have been able to take part in our annual sports day; all the children had a brilliant time and were all good sports. We have had a fantastic time in Nursery this year, and are looking forward to the next chapter.





## Reception

The children have all come so far this year and it has been truly amazing to witness how much progress every child has made since September! Our topic focuses this term have been 'farm life' and 'transport & travel'. The children enriched their learning with an educational trip to the farm where we rode tractors and donkeys, fed the animals, observed the milking process and finished the day with some fresh dairy ice cream! It was definitely a day to remember. For 'transport & travel' we have been focusing on London, the capital city of England, and comparing the similarities and differences with Nairobi, the capital city of Kenya.



The children have worked hard all year to learn the words and sign language actions to all the songs we performed during our concert. Please check out the video on our Class Page if you didn't get a chance to come and watch.



## Year 1

We started the term on a high, with a trip to Clitheroe Castle, where we enjoyed a fun-filled day, to enhance our learning of knights and castles. More recently, we absolutely loved our whole school fun day, with a dinosaur visit, chasing bubbles of all different shapes and sizes, as well as some sliding and bouncing fun on the inflatables! Music has been a blast, listening to different genres of music, counting the heartbeats, as well as exploring different instruments. We even had a go at playing them to the pulse!



In art, we studied Pablo Picasso's 'Golden Muse' and used different types of media to create our final piece. I think we definitely have some budding artists in Y1



## Year 2

What a busy summer term Y2 have had! We had a wonderful time on our trip to Staircase House making fire marks, dressing up and making wattle and daub walls! We were inspired by our visit by author Tom Palmer and have enjoyed reading his books.



We had the best day ever on our fun day, chasing giant bubbles, watching circus tricks, meeting dinosaurs and jumping on the bouncy castle! We have really enjoyed learning about poetry this half term. We even learnt some Jamaican Patois as we memorised and recited the poem 'Pinda Cake' by Valerie Bloom



## Year 3

We have had a busy year in Year 3, from Christmas pantos to trips to the beach! We are delighted that the children were able to experience many things and created lots of happy memories! We have been on two amazing trips this year linking with our topic subjects Geography and History. Year 3 visited Southport Beach and Chester Museum.



We also have had an amazing time celebrating how **Outstanding** we are as a school! Well done year 3! What an amazing year to look back on!





## Year 4

Year 4 have had a very busy summer term! We started Summer 2 with a trip to the Eyam plague village in Derbyshire for our history project. We walked around the village, learnt about the history of Eyam and visited the museum together. In the following week, the children did the official government times tables test, achieving the best results EVER! We are super proud of all their hard work this year. To celebrate the children's effort in the times tables and our wonderful OFSTED result, the year 4s had a couple of fun days.



Year 4, and the rest of the school, are sad to say goodbye to Mrs Hallen who has worked at the school for 24 years! She has been a vital part of our year 4 team this year as well as having a huge influence on the rest of the school during her time here. We wish Mrs Hallen a wonderful retirement!



## Year 5

What a busy Summer Term Year 5 have had! The classes have worked hard to get prepared for Year 6, but they have also had lots of fun. The fun day was a perfect day and the children threw themselves into all of the activities. On the residential, they explored the Lake District and enjoyed staying in the Youth Hostel. Earlier in the term, we were visited by the Wonderdome, and the children were immersed in all things space. Alongside this, they enjoyed a visit to All Hallows where they did some taster lessons, which gave them an insight into High School life. Well done to all of Year 5 for their hard work this year!



Year 6

This term we say goodbye to our wonderful year six children! After achieving some of the best SATs results the school has ever seen, they had a few well-deserved relaxed weeks and enjoyed some lovely sunny afternoons on the field playing rounders.

In the final full week, the children worked hard to practise their leavers' play and performed in front of their friends and family to rapturous applause! We then had the pleasure of rewarding some of the many children who have demonstrated their brilliance throughout the year with awards for mathematics, English and the Head teacher's award.



We will be sorry to see them go, but wish them best of luck in the future and have no doubt they will continue to excel.



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### Reminders

**IMPORTANT REMINDER – New earlier start time for all children next year will be 8.45am. First day back to school is Wednesday 4th September 2024 @ 8.45am.**



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### **Childcare Choices:**

The Childcare Choices website brings together all the existing childcare offers in one place, so parents can get the help that fits their family. This could be through Tax-Free Childcare, 30 Hours Childcare, or Universal Credit Childcare.

**As a reminder,** If you are a working family with a 3 or 4 year old, you may be eligible to claim a 30 hour funding code. Currently, we are able to offer your child a free full-time place in school, however, if you are eligible for a 30 hour funding code, school will be able to claim the additional funding to further benefit the children in our care.

Further details regarding eligibility, and how to apply, can be found using the following link <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/how-to-apply-for-30-hours-free-childcare/>

If you are eligible, and receive a funding code, please email the code over to [stthomasofcanterbury.rcprimaryschool@salford.gov.uk](mailto:stthomasofcanterbury.rcprimaryschool@salford.gov.uk)

To ensure your code does not expire, it will be necessary to reconfirm your details every 3 months through your childcare account via the childcare choices websites.