

# SLS Update

Learning today for a better tomorrow.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

## ★ Well Done to This Week's GOLD Award Winners ★

**Reception** – Stanley

Class 1 – Henry W and Sam

Class 2 – Ella W and LilyR

Class 3 – Lennie

## Safeguarding: Mobile Phones

Please remember that children are not allowed to bring mobile phones (or any similar device, including smart watches) into school for safeguarding reasons. If your child does need to have their phone with them for the journey to and from school, it must be handed into the school office at the start of the day and picked up at home time. It is the children's responsibility to remember their phone at the end of the day.

## World Book Day – PLEASE READ

Nationally, World Book Day is on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, however, Class 3 will be on their London residential so as a school we will celebrate World Book Day on <u>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March</u> instead. Children can dress up as their favourite book character or favourite word. No football kits please.

## World Book Day Reading Challenge

To celebrate World Book Day, we are launching a 24 Hour Reading Challenge! Please see the attached flyer for more info including a tracker for you to cut out and stick in your child's reading record / journal. If you need a hard copy, please let us know.

#### Wraparound Care

Places at our new after school wraparound club can be booked via ParentPay up to the Easter holidays. The booking system is very flexible and you can book a spot at the last minute if you need to. The children have been enjoying board games, crafting and construction. They can also catch up on any Times Tables Rock Stars sessions too, the iPads are available to use for the purposes of homework. Thank you to everyone who has donated puzzles, games, kits and more for us to use, we have quite a collection now!

## **Parents Evenings**

The booking system for parents evenings is now open. Parents evenings will be held in the week commencing Monday 19th February. Thank you to everyone who has booked already. If you experience any problems, please contact the office.

#### **Chinese New Year Meal**

On Thursday, Magda will be making a Chinese-inspired meal in celebration of Chinese New Year. The main course will be sweet and sour chicken, and the vegetarian option will be noodles with vegetables. If your child doesn't normally have a school dinner on that day but would like to have the Chinese meal, please email the office.

#### **PTA News**

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, the PTA will be holding a cake stall, book stall and pre-loved uniform shop after school in the playground. They would be very grateful for cake donations and any logo uniform please. They do not need any more books as they have plenty of lovely books looking for new homes - these will be sold on a donation basis.

## **Sports for Schools Event**

The children had a great time this morning with Team GB gymnast, Isabel Haigh. Each class took part in some high energy fitness circuits in the hall before Isabel spoke to the whole school about what it takes to achieve your goals. The children asked Isabel some really thoughtful questions and we hope they were inspired by her!

All sponsor money should be donated online. Please visit: www.sportsforschools.org and click on the button "Set up a Fundraiser Page". The deadline is next Friday and thank you prizes will be given out after that.



## Weekly Attendance Figures

Reception – 98.15%

#### <u> Class 1 – 96.55%</u>

**Well done to Class 3 who achieved the highest attendance this week!** The expectation is that schools maintain an attendance level of <u>at least 97%</u>. This is the measure that schools are subject to during both local and national inspections. Figures below that level will be heavily criticized. We appreciate your support with this. It is also a legal requirement for children to attend school regularly. Please ensure that children are in school and on time every day and please avoid term time holidays. We are aware that there are lots of illnesses going around at the moment, please refer to the NHS guidance <u>here</u> when determining whether or not to keep your child off school.

Class 2 – 96.30%

#### Over 97%

90 – 97%

Under 90%

Class 3 – 99.03%

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Whilst 95% attendance doesn't sound too bad, across a year it means your child would have missed 9 days of school, or 45 lessons. Over 7 years of primary school, 95% attendance each year would add up to 12.5 weeks or 3 months or one whole term of missed school.

#### **Diary Dates – Subject to Change**

#### February 2024

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> – No Swimming for Class 2 / KS2 Dance Festival Fri 9<sup>th</sup> – School closes at 3.25pm for half term / PTA book and cake stall after school Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening Tues 20<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening Wed 21<sup>st</sup> – Class 2 Swimming 5/9 / Parents evening Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> – Parents evening Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parents evening Wed 28<sup>th</sup> – Class 2 Swimming 6/9 March 2024 Wed 6<sup>th</sup> – Class 2 Swimming 7/9 / Class 3 Residential to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

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Wed 13<sup>th</sup> – Class 2 Swimming 8/9 / Reception & Class 1 Dance Festival (details TBC)
Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day – THIS IS A NEW DATE
Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Reception & Class 1 Trip to Flamingo Land
Wed 20<sup>th</sup> – Class 2 Swimming 9/9 / Class 2 Performance at Scotton Village Hall
Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> – Class 2 Trip to Stump Cross Caverns
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – School closes at 2.30pm for Easter – no wraparound after school club today

#### <u>April 2024</u>

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day Tues 9<sup>th</sup> – School re-opens