



SLS Update

Learning today for a better tomorrow.

Friday 19th January 2024

Wraparound Care

We can now accept bookings for the after school wraparound club up to Thursday 21st March. There will be no club on Friday 22nd March as it is the last day of a full term and school will close at 2.30pm.

If you are paying via the tax-free childcare scheme or using childcare vouchers, please email the office so we can make the bookings for you. Please note that accounts will need to be settled before more bookings are made.



Weekly Gold Awards

Well done to this week's GOLD award winners:

Reception – Imogen

Class 1 – Matilda W and Tamila

Class 2 – Albert and William S

Class 3 – Maddie

Safeguarding: Let's Talk PANTS

The NSPCC's Talk PANTS campaign helps children to understand that their body belongs to them, and to tell a trusted adult if anything makes them feel worried or uncomfortable. Click [here](#) for more information.

Mrs Greveson-Ratcliffe's Cold Water Dip

Mrs Greveson-Ratcliffe is taking on a Cold Water Dip this World Cancer Day for Young Lives vs Cancer. If you are able to donate anything from 50p, £5 or £500, your contribution will make a difference to children and young people with cancer. Click [here](#) to donate. Thank you.



Sports for Schools Fundraising Event – Friday 2nd February

As a school we are taking part in a fundraising event to raise money to spend on resources that will help us to increase the children's physical activity levels. We will be visited by Isabel Haigh, a GB gymnast, who will lead a sponsored fitness circuit with all classes in the school hall. The children will be coming home with a letter and sponsorship form today.

Scotton Scorchers

There are spaces in the U8 Scotton Boys team, the U7 Staveley Boys team, in the girls teams from Year 1 through to Year 6 and also in the new Ladies team. If you are interested in any of these, please contact Mike Collier at:

secretary@scottonscorchers.com

Top 1% of Schools in the Country

Over the last 3 years we have implemented and embedded a new phonics program into our school curriculum. The new research and advice from the government was a big change for us and our families to become accustomed to. Reading is fundamental to education and vital for children's success. We are absolutely thrilled to have the achievements of our staff and children recognised by the Minister for Schools, Damian Hinds, in the attached letter. This success is a testament to our determined approach - the staff and children work incredibly hard. We are also grateful for the support provided by our parents at home. What a wonderful end to the week.

Weekly Attendance Figures

Reception – 99.07%

Class 1 – 98.85%

Class 2 – 98.15%

Class 3 – 95.17%

Well done to Reception who achieved the highest attendance again this week. The expectation is that schools maintain an attendance level of **at least 97%**. 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 [here](#) when determining whether or not to keep your child off school.

Over 97%

90 – 97%

Under 90%

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

January 2024

Wed 24th – Class 2 Swimming 3/9

Wed 31st – Class 2 Swimming 4/9

February 2024

Thurs 1st – Class 1 Trip to Ilkley Toy Museum

Fri 2nd – Walk to School Day / Sports for Schools Sponsorship Event

Wed 7th – No Swimming for Class 2 / KS2 Dance Festival (details TBC)

Fri 9th – School closes at 3.25pm for half term / PTA book and cake stall after school

Mon 19th – Parents evening

Tues 20th – Parents evening

Wed 21st – Class 2 Swimming 5/9 / Parents evening

Thurs 22nd – Parents evening

Fri 23rd – Parents evening

Wed 28th – Class 2 Swimming 6/9

March 2024

Wed 6th – Class 2 Swimming 7/9 / Class 3 Residential to Friday 8th March (details TBC)

Thurs 7th – World Book Day

Wed 13th – Class 2 Swimming 8/9 / Reception & Class 1 Dance Festival (details TBC)

Fri 15th – Reception & Class 1 Trip to Flamingo Land

Wed 20th – Class 2 Swimming 9/9 / Class 2 Performance at Scotton Village Hall

Thurs 21st – Class 2 Trip to Stump Cross Caverns

Fri 22nd – School closes at 2.30pm for Easter – no wraparound after school club today

April 2024

Mon 8th – Staff Training Day

Tues 9th – School re-opens