



Dear Parents and Carers,

Spring has arrived and it is so nice to have some brighter skies in mornings and afternoons again. It has been a very busy week

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings for Y5/6B (Mr Blackburn's class) and Y5/6S (Mrs Slater's class) will take place on week beginning 11th March (due to the Y6 residential) and Parents Evenings for the rest of the year groups will take place on week beginning 18th March.

You should be able to book your appointments from early next week and the office will send out details when they are ready to book.

Last week, I included a copy of the attainment letter for Year 1-Year 6. Unfortunately, I didn't include the key that would help with your understanding of the letter. I have included it in the example this week. As mentioned, It is important to us that you are clear on how your child is progressing and how you can help us to help your child.

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March is the annual World Book Day and we are asking children to come to school as a **word** and will be having a vocabulary parade in school. The word can be anything from sporty, curious to stormy or glamorous. Please make sure your child knows what their word is and preferably have a label/ sign saying what it is.

St. Joseph's Penny

Your child will bring home a St. Joseph's Penny box today that can be used to collect any change that you may have to spare for our Lenten collection to help vulnerable people all over Manchester. We have been speaking in our assemblies and collective worships about how we get closer to God by Praying, By Fasting or Acting and by Giving. St. Joseph's Penny gives us all an opportunity to Pray, Act and Give.

Science Week

The following week is Science week and parents will be invited into school at 9am on Tuesday 12th March as part of a Stay and Investigate morning. On Friday 15th March, children are invited to come to school in Science-themed clothes or can bring an accessory that might be Science related.

With both of these events, please do not feel under pressure to go to great expense (or time) in putting something together for your child. Simple is better!

Coffee Morning

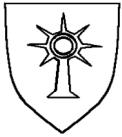
Mrs Chivell and Mrs Groves are organising another coffee morning for all after the Stay and Investigate morning on Tuesday 12th March. I hope as many of you as possible can join us.

SEND Coffee Morning

We are hoping to host the next SEND coffee morning in the next couple of weeks too. I will get a date confirmed once I get preferred dates.

As ever, if you are unsure of anything at all, please do get in touch with our office and they will point you in the right direction.

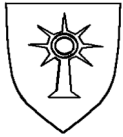
Take care, *Mr Doherty*



Headteacher's Awards and super spellers – Well done boys and girls!



26/02/24	Nursery	Evie	For her enthusiasm learning French this week
	RQ	Jude	Amazing sound work
	RV	Theodore	Working very hard in sound groups and on his reading
	1B	Violet	For trying really hard with her handwriting.
	1/2F	Lily	For always offering to help in class.
	2S	Caleb	For participating in class discussions more regularly and giving great, thought out answers.
	3B	Isabella	For being so caring and a wonderful friend this week.
	3/4C	Jack	For an excellent piece of writing about Pompeii
	3/4GS	Annie	Super alliteration and rhetorical questions.
	5K	Riley	for great understanding when using decimals in Maths
	5/6B	Elsie	Brilliant work in converting fractions to decimals.
	5/6S	Sophia <input type="checkbox"/>	For showing fantastic leadership in PE and being able to confidently discuss STEP challenges.



SHARING OUR LEARNING WITH OUR GOVERNORS



Thank you to our Governors who came into school to speak with some of our children about their learning. A range of children shared their learning on Phonics, Reading, Maths, History, PE and Governors also met with some of our Nursery and Reception children. All of our children are so articulate talking about their learning. Thank you too to all of the boys and girls!

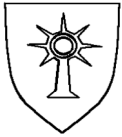
ATTENDANCE

Whole school - 92.70%

Nursery - 97.95%	3B - 89.29%
RQ - 90.70%	3/4C - 93.33%
RV - 90.00%	3/4GS - 96.00%
1B - 95.95%	5K - 94.14%
1/2F - 95.44%	5/6B - 97.50%
2S - 94.89%	5/6S - 94.83%

Please prioritise your child's school attendance.

You will have seen on the news this week the Government's focus on school attendance. We are still falling short of what we would expect in terms of our percentage attendance. Again, I appeal to you to prioritise your child's attendance at school. This may mean making judgement calls on when a child may have perhaps a slight cold or runny nose and can come to school rather than having the day off but also if your child is really ill, or has been vomiting or has diarrhoea, that you do keep them off for the recommended time so as not to spread the illness around. I also appeal to you not to take holidays out of term time. One week or two weeks out of school on top of any absence due to illness is a chunk out of their time at school.



Hot Chocolate Treat for 3B-our Playtime winners of the half term!

3B were our Playtime and Lunchtime award winners for the first half term of the new year. They collected more tokens than any other class for our sports and playtime values of respect, honesty and teamwork. They has hot chocolate and marshmallows as well as having extra playtime. Well done 3B!





Parents Evening Progress/Attainment Letters

The following letter will be shared with you at Parents Evenings in the next few weeks.

As part of our Parents Evenings and to ensure that we are keeping you updated on the academic progress that your child is making, we wanted to inform you of the current attainment for your child.

Children have now completed almost two terms of their year and teachers use ongoing daily and weekly assessment to monitor children's attainment and progress to inform their planning and children's learning. Alongside that, at the end of each term, they use more formal assessments to help inform them of your child's progress. It is important that we focus on each child's potential and that they are given opportunities to progress and learn at a rate that is specific to them and that no ceiling is placed on their learning.

In this letter, your teacher has provided this information in Maths, Reading and Writing but will also discuss with you their achievements in the other areas of the curriculum during the parents meeting as well as the areas that they will need to target to help them make the best progress they can.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

NAME: Johnny Cuttims

Current Attainment

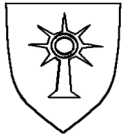
Reading	Maths	Writing	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
OT	NCOT	OT	NCOT

Key: OT- On track to meet Age Related Expectations

NCOT-Not currently on track to meet Age Related Expectations

It is important to understand that this update is not necessarily indicating that your child will not make the Expected Standard at the end of the year, but gives an indication of where your child may be now in these areas. It will help form teachers discussions with you on how everyone can help support your child or if there are areas of support that you could help with in order to ensure your child is achieving as well as they can.

We want to support every child to achieve their potential in all areas, so we hope that this will help in achieving this in these areas. Teachers will also discuss with you other areas of curriculum, effort, attitude etc. at these meetings to ensure that we all can do our utmost together to maximize your child's time in school.



WRAPAROUND CARE SURVEY

Dear Parent,

The Local Authority (LA) has a statutory duty to ensure that there are sufficient wraparound childcare places in Trafford for all parents and carers who want to access it.

In the Spring Budget in March of last year, the government announced an investment of £289 million over two academic years for a national wraparound programme. This is to support families with primary aged children who need access to paid for wraparound childcare from 8am to 6pm. You may start to see an expansion in the availability of wraparound childcare from September 2024. By 2026, all parents and carers of primary school-aged children who need it, will be able to access term time childcare that parents pay for in their local area from 8am – 6pm.

For the Local Authority to determine if we have sufficient wraparound childcare, we are asking parents/carers to [complete this online survey](#) by Friday 1 March. A copy of the survey questions are attached for your convenience.

Kind Regards

Early Years Service.

Some dates for your diary

Thursday 7th March– World Book Day (See Dojo for more information) and Author visits

Week Beginning 11th March– Science Week

Monday 11th March-Year 5/6B and 5/6S Parents Evening

Tuesday 12th March– Stay and Investigate for parents/carers followed by Coffee morning

Thursday 14th March– Year 5/6B and 5/6S Parents Evening

Monday 18th March– Parents Evening Reception-Year 5K (Nursery will be making separate appointments)

Monday 18th March– Wednesday 20th March– Y6 residential

Wednesday 20th March– Provisional SEND coffee morning

Tuesday 26th March– KS2 Easter Performance

Thursday 28th March– Break up for Easter Holidays

Tuesday 9th April– Children return to school for Summer term