



# SPRING TERM First Half-term 2020 Issue Number 33

## HEADLINES

The term has been a very short one. This poses a challenge for us, as teachers still have to aim to deliver the full curriculum coverage within the time frame. I am truly appreciative for the time and effort from all staff here – thank you!

Thank you to all the family members who attended parents' meetings. We hope you found the engagement with the class teacher useful.

I owe Mrs Hempstock gratitude for the parents' forums she organizes. Please join us in these – they are open to all. Details of the next dates are noted on the diary dates section of this newsletter.

Parent Governors – We welcome both Mr Singh and Mrs Abubaker to the Governing Body. Mr Singh joined the board in January 2020 and Mrs Abubaker in February 2020. We look forward to working with our community closely.

<u>Sports</u> – On the 15th January, a small group of children, gifted and talented in sports from Year 5 and 6, visited The English Institute of Sport in Sheffield. The trip was an incredible experience, as the children got to train on the same track as the GB athletes do! They took part in sprinting, long jump and boxing. We finished the day with a full tour around the Institute, where they got to see the special gold Wattbike, which Anthony Joshua owns and trains on. Thank you to Miss Turtle and Miss Gibbons, our PE Leaders, for sorting this out for our pupils.

Year 4 – Science - On Friday 7th February, Year 4 were joined by Abbie Carr from Love Science to take part in a Science workshop. The workshop focused on Physics in the Year 4 curriculum with the children learning about electricity. Our Year 4 pupils learned how to construct simple series circuits with lamps and buzzers and troubleshoot if these would not activate. They created several circuits using switches, conductors and insulators and were able to apply their knowledge of these to create moving vehicles and buzzer games. Each child was then able to create a torch to take home at the end of the day. Year 4 had a great time during the workshop and further developed their teamwork skills throughout the day. Abbie reported that she enjoyed working with our pupils thanks to their enthusiasm and respect for new adults - well done, Year 4!

#### **Back to School**

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL AT THE USUAL TIME on Monday 24th February 2020. Registration bell sounds at 8.50am.

Attendance (%) – Autumn Term		
F1 - 91.80% F2LC - 95.57%	F2CH - 94.89%	
1H - 96.26%	1M - 96.98%	
2K - 95.83%	2R - 95.95%	
2G - 94.85%		
3S - 89.43%	3W - 96.84%	
4C - 97.92%	4S - 97.84%	
5D - 95.90%	5G - 96.67%	
6C - 89.03%	6T - 89.86%	
6F - 95. 98%	6M - 97.60%	

6M - 97.60% have the highest attendance this half term. 95.40% in total for the full year without nursery. Thank you to all the family members who ensure that their child/children attend school regularly and on time.

### **Donation**

Making A Difference Locally Ltd has donated £300.00 to the School Fund. Thank you to Miss Sutherland who made this happen.

#### Accident

There was an accident last week at the back entrance to the school, that involved two of our parents; a pedestrian and a vehicle, after dropping children off at school in the morning. We are pleading with our community, once again, to be extra cautious during drop-off and pick-up times at both entrances.

Spring Term 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half 2020			
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Friday	School Closes for Half-term	
24 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday	Pupils back at school	
26th February	Wednesday	Making Maths Fun	
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday	Making Maths Fun	
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Thursday	World Book Day	Spring
		Family Forum (Behaviour) - 9am to 10am	Term 2 <sup>nd</sup>
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday	The Big Sing – KS1	half
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday	Making Maths Fun	
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Friday	Comic Relief	
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday	The Big Sing – KS2	
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday	Making Maths Fun	
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday	Harewood house – Year 2	
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday	Headteacher's Assembly – KS1	
31st March	Tuesday	Headteacher's Assembly – KS2	
1st April	Wednesday	Easter Church Visit	
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Friday	School Closes END OF TERM	
21st April	Tuesday	Pupils back at school	Summer
			Term 2020