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# Attendance and Lates - Our Attendance Target for the year is 96.5%

This week: 95.7% and 14 lates. Year to date: 95.1%.

Reception 88.3%, 1 late

Year 1 91.3%, <mark>7 lates</mark> Year 2 98.0%, <mark>0 lates</mark> Year 3 99.0%, <mark>1 late</mark> Year 4 96.4%, <mark>2 lates</mark> Year 5 92.4%, <mark>1 late</mark> Year 6 97.1%, <mark>2 lates</mark>

## **Behaviour**

Our recent Parent View questionnaire highlighted that some parents were unaware of the standard of behaviour in classrooms. We will be sharing each week how many children in each class are consistently in the right place, at the right time and doing the right thing.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
30/30	27/30	25/30	27/29	27/28	29/29	31/31

# "I'm Possible' winners Reception: Rhys Richardson Reception: William Aldous Year 1: Ashton Smith Year 1: Frankie Kiernan Year 2: Addison Townsley Year 2: Reef Vaughan Year 2: Isla Jarratt Year 3: Ellie Vickers Year 3: Ewan Carpenter Year 3: Liam Kotowski Year 4: Lexi Hutchinson Year 5: Olivia Farnell

Year 5: Brandon Swan

Year 6: Tia Hughes

# **Up and Coming Key Dates**

Tuesday 2pm - KS2 Christingle Service at 5/12/17 church. Parents welcome to attend. Pupils will return to school following the service to be released at home time. Tuesday PM - Reception and KS1 Nativity performance. 12/12/17 Further information to follow. AM - Reception and KS1 Wednesday 13/12/17 Nativity performance. Further information to follow. Thursday Mobile Library Service 14/12/17 Years 5 and 6 Tuesday **KS2 Christmas Party** 19/12/17 Wednesday Christmas Jumper Day 20/12/17 **Christmas Lunch** Foundation and KS1 Christmas Party

# **Leadership Signposting**

If you have any question or queries, in the first instance, please speak to your child's class teacher. Mr Wynn will be out in the school grounds at the beginning and end of each day if you would like to introduce yourself or ask a question. If you'd like to speak to another of the Academy Leaders, you can find them in the following places:

Miss Prout – Year 6, Mrs O'Gara – Nursery.

For any personal / private discussions, please contact Mrs Hipkiss or Mrs Haigh in the Office to make an appointment to speak with Mr Wynn or appropriate member of staff.

# **Poppy Appeal**

Thank you to everyone who bought items for poppy day. We raised a fabulous £195 for the Royal British Legion.

### Nursery

This week in nursery we have been very busy cutting out bones for our skeleton shapes. In number time we have been learning about 2D Shapes and looking at how many different shapes there are in our classroom. Our letter sound next week is 'K' so if you would like to bring anything that starts with a 'K' to put on our phonics display that would be great. Follow us @WGreenNurs.



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### Year 2

This week we have been practising for our nativity as much as we can. We are now only 12 days away! The children have been working very hard and are now practising on stage. We definitely have some actors in our class! The children must now work on learning their lines off by heart. We look forward to sharing our performance with you. Follow us @WGreenY2.

### Year 3

This week Year 3 have continued their learning about mountains. They've been creative in imagining what animals and plants might live on the mountains they created, and what the weather might be like, and made some informative and beautifully presented leaflets all about them. In maths, we are re-capping our addition and subtraction skills and I was blown away today by how many words they came up with the 'tion' suffix. Far more than I had thought of - well done! Follow us @WillowGreenYr3.

# Reception

We have continued our Funnybones book this week. The children have compared this book with another book by the same author and decided that they liked the second one best. It was called The Black Cat! We learned the bone dance song and have had lots of fun retelling the story. There have been bones to find all around the classroom, in water, jelly and sand! We have found bones with numbers and letters on! This week we have also been creating repeating patterns. We have used different colours, shapes, beads, pegs and even jelly tots to make our own patterns! We are very much looking forward to more visits from our naughty elf next week and to get into the Christmas spirit! Follow us @WGreenRec.

# Year 1

Our work on subtraction has continued. We are learning to work out calculations by counting back and taking away as well as solving word problems involving taking away. In English we have continued with instructions writing. This week we have written our own instructions telling people how to make a toy that we have made as part of our topic work. We are enjoying learning the songs that we will be singing in the KS1 Christmas performance, it will soon be here, it's December already! Follow us @WGreenY1.

### Year 4

This week has been our final week learning about Mount Everest. Mrs. Moreton has been helping us create a PowerPoint presentation that shows the information we have learnt and once we have filled in all the information we are going to add different colours and transitions to make our presentation more exciting. We have also created some very effective collages of the Himalayas by combining different colours and types of paper. This afternoon, we are planning a science investigation to find out what happens to solids when they are heated. Watch this space to find out what happens! Follow us @WGreenY4.

# Year 5

Using our knowledge of multiples, factors and 2D shapes we have been tackling perimeter and area this week with some great problem solving, use of formula and reasoning. With the helpful aid of a mnemonic we have learnt the order of the planets in the solar system. Why not ask about 'My Very Easy Method Just Speeds Up Naming Planets'. Focusing on explanations we are developing our use of causal conjunctions - great to see everyone pushing themselves out of their comfort zones and making progress. Follow us @WGreenY5.

# Year 6

This week, we have been reflecting on our recent excursion to Robinwood! We had great fun crafting sentences that included a range of figurative language (similes, metaphors and personification) to use in our persuasive leaflets. Keep your eyes on Twitter to see the finished products. The winning leaflet will be sent to Robinwood for use on their display! Follow us@WGreenY6.



