



Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

It was an incredibly busy week last week! Year 4 returned from their three-day residential to How Hill on Friday afternoon. Mrs McDaniel said they all had a fabulous time and that the children loved the activities. She also said they were so well behaved during the whole residential. A huge thank you to all the staff who accompanied the children.

Year 5 went to London on Friday. They visited the Houses of Parliament, the National Gallery and went to Buckingham Palace to see the Changing of the Guard. Mrs Faulkner said the staff at the Houses of Parliament commented on how polite and well-behaved the children were. Mrs Faulkner also said that the parent helpers were amazing on Friday – a big thank you to all the parents who accompanied the children!

Sadly, we say goodbye to Mrs Williams at the end of this term. Mrs Williams is starting a new role in sports development for schools. We will miss her, and we wish her the best of luck in her new job. Mrs Wisken will be teaching Red Deer class after the Easter holidays.

Best wishes  
Miss Milne  
Head of School

### Parents' Evening

A reminder that it is Parent's Evening this week. The face-to-face meetings are on Wednesday and teachers have allocated a different day for virtual appointments (video calls). A separate letter was sent out explaining how to book an appointment on SchoolCloud. If you are having any problems booking an appointment, please contact the school office.

### Changes to arrangements for collecting children

Please could parents let the office know in advance of any changes to the arrangements for collecting children. We understand that sometimes children need to be collected a bit earlier e.g. for a doctor or dentist appointment, but we do need advance notice so that children can be brought to the office at the agreed collection time. If we don't know in advance, the children may already be on the field doing the Daily Mile and it then takes time for a member of staff to go and collect them. Thank you for your support with this.

### Science Week

We have recently celebrated British Science Week which is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths that took place between the 8th and 17th of March. The theme this year was 'Time'.

As part of our school celebrations, the children enjoyed a LIVE Science lesson with wildlife expert and zoologist Mike Linley on the mysteries of insects' time keeping. We were also lucky enough to have the Royal Air Force from Marham join us in school for the day. Year 6 were challenged with a coding lesson where they had to write and program code to move a robot around a maze and everybody in the school were able to have a go at some STEM activities with the RAF. Some children were able to experience what it is like to fly a plane on the two flight simulators that were also brought along! The children had a fabulous and memorable experience, but the RAF Marham personnel also commented how fantastic the children at Attleborough Primary had been.

***Mrs Coppard – Science Lead***

### Office

Please be aware that the school office opens at 8.40am, once the gates have been opened.

### Lost property

Lost property will be in the corridor, by the library, this Wednesday during parents' evening. We will then put it outside the office.

### Safeguarding

If you have any concerns for the safety or welfare of a child at any time, but particularly during the holidays, please share your concern by calling either of the following numbers: NSPCC – 0808 800 5000 Child Advice and Duty Service: 0344 800 8020 Calls can be anonymous.

### Parent Code of Conduct

This was sent out with the last newsletter. Unfortunately, we are having to refer to it again. Staff are always happy to have courteous conversations to resolve any issues. However, there have been a few occasions where staff have been spoken to rudely. Please refer to the Parent Code of Conduct for further guidance

### Top Table Awards

Each week, the MSAs choose one child who has shown excellent behaviour to have lunch at the special Top Table. Congratulations to last Friday's Top Table children:

**Evelyn, Ella-Rose, Leo M, Thomas R and Jenson.**

### School Meals

With effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April, Norse are increasing the cost of a school meal for pupils – the cost will be £2.58 per day

### **This week's attendance**

<b>Reception</b> <i>Caterpillar</i>	<b>Year 1</b> <i>Red Squirrel</i>	<b>Year 2</b> <i>Ladybirds</i>	<b>Year 3</b> <i>Fox</i>	<b>Year 4</b> <i>Red Deer</i>	<b>Year 5</b> <i>Barn Owl</i>	<b>Year 6</b> <i>Seal</i>
<b>95.7%</b>	<b>94.7%</b>	<b>94.8%</b>	<b>94.9%</b>	<b>96.2%</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>94.4%</b>
<b>Reception</b> <i>Dragonfly</i>	<b>Year 1</b> <i>Hedgehog</i>	<b>Year 2</b> <i>Bumblebees</i>	<b>Year 3</b> <i>Badger</i>	<b>Year 4</b> <i>Kingfisher</i>	<b>Year 5</b> <i>Otter</i>	<b>Year 6</b> <i>Heron</i>
<b>95.3%</b>	<b>96.8%</b>	<b>94.3%</b>	<b>96.3%</b>	<b>94.6%</b>	<b>93.1%</b>	<b>95.9%</b>

Our attendance target is 97%. A reminder that the gates open at 8.40am and close at 8.50am. Children who arrive after 8.50am need to go through the office and will be marked as late.

If your child is absent from school, please let the school office know as soon as possible on the morning of the absence. If we do not hear from parents by 9.20am, we will start our first day calling procedures.

### **House Points**

<b>EARTH</b>	<b>AIR</b>	<b>FIRE</b>	<b>WATER</b>
<b>995</b>	<b>1041</b>	<b>1060</b>	<b>1023</b>

The house with the most points wins an end of term treat as a reward.

## Gold Award

Every week, during Friday celebration assembly, a Gold Award is presented to children who have demonstrated excellent behaviour, or who have produced excellent work. Congratulations to the following children who received a Gold Award on Friday:

**Grace, Eliaz, Lois, Alexandra, Louis, Leo, Antony, Sara, Adam, Chrismikha, Fred and Sudenaz.**

### Key Dates

Week beginning 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 2 cathedral trip
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Thetford Forest trip
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Rocksteady concert
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of the summer term

### TERM DATES

#### Spring Term

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**Half-term holiday: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024**

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**Easter Holiday: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

#### Summer Term

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May (*Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May is a Bank Holiday*)

**Half-term holiday: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024