



19th January 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for all of your support with census day this week. We had a great number of pupils staying for school dinners. This will have a really positive impact on funding in school. Not only that, but the children had a wonderful day. They loved finding prize tokens in the dinner hall!

Reading

Accelerated Reader

It's a new year and we've had our first full week now for our pupils to have got stuck into a new book, or two. We have a new addition to the reading 'Hall of Fame' this week with Callum in 6P who has read the most words since the start of the spring term. For the most quizzes, it's Thaksana in 2W who retains her crown from before the Christmas break. A wonderful well done to these two children who have set great examples for the start of 2024 in reading.

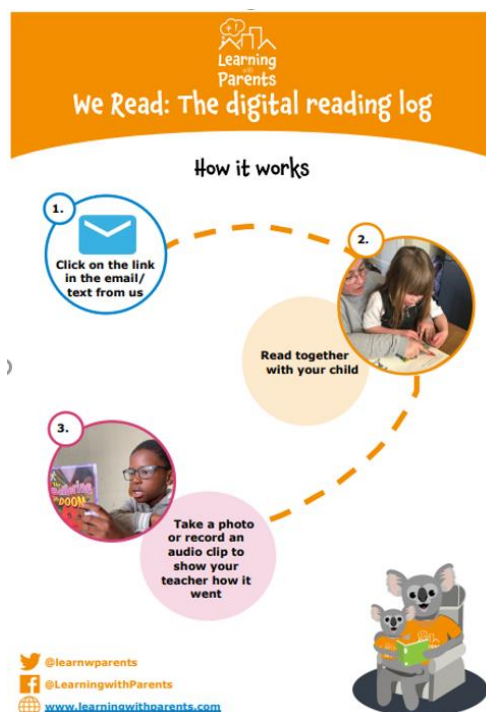
This is a reminder that our target for reading at home is 3x per week and this needs to be logged onto Learning with Parents. If your child achieves this, they will receive a token to spend at the 'Reading Reward Shop' and a certificate.



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Exciting Maths

Children are working hard to practise their times tables in school and we will soon be getting children to take on the challenge to see if they know their times tables to achieve our times table certificates. In the meantime, please practise as much as possible on our Times Table Rock Stars app as this will help your child's teacher understand more about your child's strengths and weaknesses.

If you are not sure on your log in, please ask your child's class teacher.

[Times Tables Rock Stars – Times Tables Rock Stars \(ttrockstars.com\)](https://www.ttrockstars.com)

We also want to share with you an awesome app that would be great to download and use with children at home. Check it out: [1-minute maths app | White Rose Maths \(whiteroseeducation.com\)](https://www.whiteroseeducation.com)



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Check out these 7 top reasons for using 1-minute maths!

1. Excellent practice — and no distractions.
2. A clear, intuitive process that children pick up straight away.
3. No login or internet access needed. Just download and play.
4. Enjoyable and motivating... How many can they get correct in one minute?
5. Helpful hints match those used in class.
6. Brilliant for building number fluency and confidence.
7. It's **FREE!**



Parent's coffee morning – Tuesday 23rd January 9:00 – 10:00

We would like to invite all parents / carers to our drop-in coffee morning next week.

This will be a great chance to meet the pastoral team, SENCo and our CAMHS 'with me in mind' advisor to discuss any worries you may have about your child's or your mental health and well-being or any advice and support needed around family / home life.

Please feel free to drop in for a cuppa and a chat!

EYFS plea

Our early years is always on the lookout for the below items if you have any at home you don't need any more:

- Mobile or landline phones
- Books
- Fancy dress costumes ages between 2-6
- Scarves

Also, if you ever have any flowers at home, once they start to wilt, we will happily take them for our mud kitchen! So please just pass to a member of No.1, nursery or reception.

Safeguarding

Smart phone – smart user? A whopping 98% of over-12s in the UK now have their own phone, with many younger children also using one regularly. This week's guide has expert tips to help them avoid online Safety risks





Best wishes,

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Miss Austwick
Principal

Diary Dates

Attached are diary dates for the term. Obviously there may be circumstances where these have to change but we will do our best to give you plenty of notice.

Christmas Holidays			
Week	Spring Term		
	08.01		Trust TRAINING DAY
	09.01		ALL CHILDREN RETURN Afterschool club start
	10.01		
	11.01		
	12.01		Year 6 parents SATs meeting @3:45pm
16	15.01		Martin Luther King day
	16.01		
	17.01		
	18.01		Census day – Movie theme Yr4 Parents multiplication check meeting 3:30pm
	19.01		
17	22.01		Y2 chicks are arriving
	23.01		10.00-6P assembly Anti-bullying parents meeting 2:30
	24.01		



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	25.01		Year 1 Parents – Phonics meeting about the phonics screening check and how parents can help 3:30pm
	26.01		
18	29.01		
	30.01		
	31.01		
	01.02		2K class assembly 10am
	02.02		
19	05.02		
	06.02		Y1 Church visit 1pm Safer internet day
	07.02		Y6 church visit 1pm
	08.02		
	09.02		
Spring Half-Term			

