

Newsletter

Head Teacher Message

In Britain, Easter occurs at a different time each year. It is celebrated on the Sunday after the first full moon following the first day of spring. This means that the Easter festival can occur on any Sunday between March 22 and April 25. Not only is Easter the end of the winter, it is also the end of Lent, traditionally a time of fasting in the Christian calendar. The expression Easter derives from the Old English word Eastre or Eostre. Eostre refers to the Anglo-Saxon goddess of dawn and spring.

Many people will inevitably be celebrating by eating large quantities of egg shaped chocolates! The eggs themselves are a very old tradition dating to a time before Christianity. In pagan times, eggs were a traditional symbol of rebirth and were most likely to have been chicken or duck eggs, hard-boiled and painted in various colours and patterns. In Persia, eggs have been painted for thousands of years as part of the spring celebration of No Ruz, the Zoroastrian New Year. The festival of No Ruz predates the reign of Cyrus the Great, whose rule (580-529BC) marks the beginning of Persian history.

Chocolate Raffle .

To raise money for the trip to Mablethorpe we are selling raffle tickets at a £1.00 a strip and you could win the prize below ! Please purchase your tickets from the office from Monday 1st April.



Easter Bonnet / T-shirt Parade!

On **Friday 5th April** we will be holding our annual Easter Bonnet /Easter T-shirt Parade. Children are welcome to come to school in an Easter Bonnet or Easter Designed T Shirt. We will parade around the hall in assembly and a winner will be chosen for each class. I know we have some very creative families so I look forward to seeing some great bonnets and t-shirts !

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
25 th March	The Book People Bus will be in school – see over on this newsletter for more details !
25 th March	Road Safety Quiz afternoon for KS2
27 th March	3.00pm F2 class assembly
28 th March	Librarian in to read stories to F1 and F2 am
29 th March	Unite the scene street dance competition day !
1 st April	Easter Egg Raffle tickets go on sale at the office
3 rd April	3.00pm Y5 class assembly
4 th April	Time Zone travel day as CSI end of project
5 th April	9.00am Golden assembly 3.30pm school closes for the Easter Holidays
5 th April	EASTER BONNET AND TSHIRT COMPETITION DAY

Attendance !

We are continuing to work hard to improve the attendance of all our pupils . Thank you for your positive responses to attendance letters and letting us know why your child is off of school. We NEED attendance to stay around the 96% mark overall . Well done to Year Two and Year Six this week and Year Five who have 100% attendance this week so far !!

	Attendance	Late	Unauthorised Absence	Authorised Absence	Persistent Absence
Nursery	95.78%	1.52%	2.54%	1.68%	6.67%
Reception	94.07%	0.26%	4.27%	1.66%	13.33%
Year 1	95.27%	0.23%	3.54%	1.19%	10%
Year 2	96.82%	0.24%	2.78%	0.4%	3.45%
Year 3	95.91%	0.4%	3.92%	0.18%	6.67%
Year 4	94.94%	0.72%	4.47%	0.58%	10%
Year 5	95.51%	0.22%	3.78%	0.71%	10.71%
Year 6	97%	0.52%	2.46%	0.55%	6.67%



The Book People – School Book Bus

The Book People's school book bus will be in school on Monday 25th March .

Parents are welcome to visit with children from 8.30 until 8.45 am and again after school that day from 3.30- 4.00pm.

This company do have some really good deals for books at good prices and so please pop along and purchase ! The school will get commission on the number of books sold and we can then add more books to our library!

The children will be visiting the book bus during the day, in their classes, so if you are unable to come down and browse the books with your child, you are welcome to send money in with your child to purchase a book.

Please do not send more than £10.00 and please ensure the money is in an envelope , purse or wallet to avoid it getting mislaid. (School cannot be responsible for any missing book money, thank you in advance for your cooperation with this)

Wintery Weather !!

In the event of snow overnight, we will inform parents via text , Marvellous Me and the school website if school is open before 7.45am. Please ensure your mobile details are up to date on our system.

If wintery weather starts during the school day , we will remain open.



STILL MISSING !

Lost Trainers and an M&S sweatshirt

Trainers similar to these (without the white sole) were brought into school by a child in Y4 on the first week back and have not been seen since !

A navy blue sweatshirt from Marks and Spencer's belonging to Alvinas in Y4 has also been missing for a long time now - Please can you check at home that they have not inadvertently come home in your child's school bag . Many thanks !



St. Johns Ambulance

First Aid trained pupils at Hogarth

Our year six and year five pupils have been trained by a qualified St John first aid trainer this week in basic first aid. These are fantastic life skills. The school council members were extremely responsible for the trainer and learnt so much. Well done everyone , super learning !



Summer Fair Volunteers STILL REQUIRED !!

We will be planning our summer fair for Friday July 5th this year 3.30 -4.30pm. This event takes a lot of planning before the event to get good prizes and donations etc. .If you have some free time to help please speak to Sarah Townend in the office. Thank you

Gardening Club for children and parents 3.00- 3.30pm Tuesdays places still available

We would like to utilise the grounds more around the school and at the back of the car park we have a derelict allotment patch we would like to try and rejuvenate and grow some vegetables with the children. If you would be interested in coming along every Tuesday afternoon to work on the plot with your child , please let Mrs Lee know asap . Thank you.