



*"Together in God's grace,  
may we give our children the  
roots to grow and the wings  
to fly"*

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# Newsletter 2

We have had another great week in school, the children have been working hard and enjoying their learning. It is fantastic to see their positive 'can do' attitude to learning and the great progress that they are making.

During collective worship this week we are continuing to focus on the value 'Perseverance' and learned about Martin Luther King Jr. and why we still remember him today. Next week we will learn about Holocaust memorial day, continue to think about our school values, consider how the people we focus on during our worship time have exhibited these values and we too can follow them in our own lives. Please take the opportunity to talk to your children about these values at home too.

Have a fantastic weekend.



Our School Values

## Reading

PLEASE listen to your child read at least 2-3 times each week and sign in the diary when you have done so. It is also helpful to write which page they have read up to, a short comment on how well they did with reading/answering questions and your initials. We are, of course, teaching your children to read at school... So why not read together at home?

## Weekly Attendance

EYFS	96.6%
Yr 1	91.9%
Yr 2	93.7%
Yr 3	93.9%
Yr 4	92.2%
Yr 5	92.1%
Yr 6	92.2%

## Year to Date Attendance

EYFS	99.1%
Yr 1	92.8%
Yr 2	94.8%
Yr 3	94.7%
Yr 4	93.4%
Yr 5	94.3%
Yr 6	96.1%

- ◆ To set your child up to succeed – not just in English but in ALL subjects
- ◆ To develop language skills – while you may speak with your children every day, the vocabulary you use is often limited and repetitive. Reading books ensures that your child is exposed to vocabulary on different topics, which means they hear words or phrases which they may not hear otherwise in their day to day lives. The more words they know, the better. For children who speak more than one language, reading is an easy way to help their language skills and is important to develop their fluency.
- ◆ To encourage a thirst for knowledge – reading with your children leads to questions about the book and the information within. It gives you a chance to speak about what is happening and use this as a learning experience. It may also develop an interest in different cultures or languages. There is nothing better seeing a child who loves to learn.
- ◆ To develop imagination and creativity – when we really engage in a book we imagine what the characters are doing. We imagine the setting as reality. Seeing the excitement on a child's eyes when they know what is going to be on the next page, or having them guess what is going to happen is one of the most amazing things to experience!
- ◆ For entertainment – With so much technology these days, it is difficult not to get caught up in all the hype of it all. TV, video games, smart phones and apps are popular among children. However, reading a good book that your child is interested in can be just as entertaining. With all of the negative effects of screen time, choosing a book that interests your child is definitely a better option.





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## Upcoming things to note:

- ⇒ Class Assemblies - Year 3 class assembly 26/01/24 at 2:40pm in the school hall. Parents are invited to come along and find out more about the amazing things that the children in Year 3 have been learning about. Please come in via the main entrance, doors will open at 2:35pm
- ⇒ Young Voices - We are really excited and nearly ready for the Young Voices Concert at Birmingham Resorts Arena. On Thursday 25th January, twenty-nine KS2 children are going to be singing with 6,000 children from schools across the country, a very special experience! Parents who have ordered tickets should have received their order very recently. If you still haven't paid for the coach, please do so as soon as possible via Arbor. More information about the concert and details of where and when to pick up your children afterwards will be sent out very soon. **We know that the children will be tired after an exciting day and late night in Birmingham so those pupils taking part in Young Voices may come into school a little later than usual, we ask that all pupils are in school by the end of KS2 break time - 11am.**



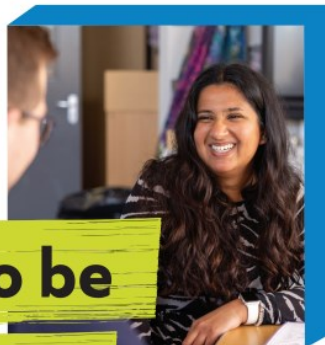
## Wear Your Scarf to School Day

Friday February 9th 2024



**My Voice Matters!** Is the theme of Children's Mental Health Week that runs 5th—9th February 2024

To bring the week to a close we will be inviting children to wear their scarf to school on Friday 9th February 2024.



## Train to be a teacher

Transform your future and the lives of our pupils with our Teacher Training programme starting in September 2024.

Scan the QR code to find out more about shaping futures, including yours, today. You can also email [recruitment@risemat.co.uk](mailto:recruitment@risemat.co.uk) to discuss this further and ask any questions you may have.



**Programme length** This is a 12 month, full-time postgraduate programme. You may also be able to do part-time training spread across 24 months.

**Who can apply?** Training is open to you if you want to become a teacher. You will need permission to work in the UK for the duration of the programme. To be eligible, you will need: > An undergraduate degree, generally 2:2 or above, or equivalent. > A GCSE grade 4/C or above in English and maths, or equivalent. > Primary school trainees will also need a GCSE grade 4/C or above in science, or equivalent.



### Uniform Reminder:

Our school uniform consists of the following items:

A white or light blue polo shirt or cotton shirt with a collar

Royal blue school sweatshirt or cardigan. These can be with or without the school logo.

Grey or black shorts, trousers, pinafore or skirt. Skirts must be knee length or just above, and should be pleated or flared. Skirts made of close clinging or stretchy material are not allowed. Leggings are not accepted as school uniform, but may be used for PE. Jeans may not be worn.

Black school shoes. Black trainer-type shoes with Velcro fastenings may be worn, but without any logos or coloured decoration.

Summer Dresses – Pale blue and white check

## Diary Dates

2024	Who?	What?
15/01-26/01	SENDco/Class teachers	SEND Progress Reviews
25/01	Choir	Young Voices
26/01	All	Year 3 Class Assembly
05/02— 09/02	All	Children's Mental Health Week
16/02	All All	School closes Year 1 Class Assembly
26/02	All	School re-opens
07/03	All	World Book Day
11/03	All	Parent Consultations Slot 1
14/03	All	Parent Consultations Slot 2
15/03	All	Red Nose Day. Wear red for £1 and Red nose cake sale
20/03	All	Easter Service @ Emmanuel Church
22/03	All	School closes
08/04	All	School re-opens
06/05	All	Bank Holiday school closed
24/05	All	School closes
03/06	All	School re-opens
03/07	Yr 6	Warning Zone Trip
04 & 05/07	Yr 6	Transition days
09/07	All	School closes
27/08	All	School re-opens