

Dear Parents and Carers,

Message from Mrs Talbot:

It's hard to believe we are already at the end of the first half-term and the holiday is upon us already! The children have had a super start to the year and so much has been achieved; I hope all those who were able to attend the Share & Shine sessions this week enjoyed seeing the children's learning come to life and seeing children's enthusiasm and lovely classroom environments. We counted exactly 100 attendees over the week, this is an all-time record, even the torrential rain on Friday didn't put you off. Thank you!

Have a fabulous half-term break,

Mrs Talbot - Headteacher

Wellbeing:

Now we are at the end of the half term it is the perfect time to reflect on this half term with your children. What have they loved learning about? What has been their favourite lunch? What learning are they most proud of? What are they looking forward to next half term? Here is a link to some more wellbeing activities you can do at home next week: [Mindfulness activities](#)

Remember to let us know if you try any!

Mrs Nicholson-Smith - SENDCo

Attendance

There are incredibly strong links between the attendance figures of children and their attainment. Research shows that higher than average rates of attendance lead to more secure outcomes for pupils. We monitor every child's attendance at least weekly and will discuss this with parents where we have concerns and involve our Local Authority Attendance officer where necessary.

Term time holidays cannot be authorised, however if you taking your child on a term time holiday please complete a leave of absence form which are available from the school office and be honest with us. Any parent who takes a child out of school for term time leave for 3 days or more, may receive a Penalty Notice.

If 3 or more term time leave Penalty Notices have been issued over a 3 year period then prosecution may be considered by the local authority.

Birthdays

When its children's birthdays, sometimes parents like to share a gift with the children in the class. We no longer allow sweets or cakes to be shared, instead we suggest a book dedicated to the class from your child; however this is not expected or required.

Nail varnish and temporary tattoos

These are not allowed as part of our school uniform, please save them for the school holidays. Thank you.

School Lunches

Don't forget to order school lunches for after half term.

Have a lovely half term week, we will see you again on Monday 30th October.

Kind Regards

Mrs Rachael Barton
School Secretary

Important Dates:

Monday 23rd- 27th October	Half Term
Monday 30th October	Halloween Film & Fun Night 3.15-5pm
Friday 3rd November	Flu Immunisations
Friday 17th November	Children in Need

Friday 24th November	EIFA Drop in 2pm onwards
Tuesday 12th December	Whole school Panto trip
Wednesday 13th December	Robins & Doves Nativity Performances
Thursday 14th December	EIFA Drop in 2pm onwards
Tuesday 19th December	Christmas Dinner
Tuesday 19th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 19th December	Owls and Swans Carols & Readings
Thursday 21st December- Wednesday 3rd January 2024 Christmas Holidays	
Thursday 4th January	INSET DAY- No children in School
Friday 5th January	INSET DAY- No children in school