



HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all found this week's Parents/Carers evenings informative and the feedback given on the children's academic progress and how they are developing socially is useful in continuing to support your children at home and at school.

I do hope the children have a relaxing restful half term, they have worked really hard in a short space of time, so this is a real chance to recharge their batteries.

Shortly after half term we will be sending out some surveys to parents, children and staff to gather useful feedback, on the areas we are doing well and to help identify and hone our areas of development. Please look out for these. We really value your input. They will be open for approx. six weeks for us to have the chance to gather as much information as we can.

Mr Garner

Nursery

This half term, the theme in Nursery has been winter. The children have been exploring freezing and melting, as well as talking about winter weather and the seasons.

We made ice, by putting containers of water into the freezer and we kept checking, to see if it had changed. We also had a great time investigating melting ice and finding treasure inside.

It has been very cold in the Nursery garden. We have been exploring and we found patches of ice on the ground where water had dripped from gutters. We have been learning about wearing clothes to keep us warm, dry and safe in the dark, winter evenings.

House Points

Excitement has been building this half term over our newly introduced House Points! Yesterday afternoon, the House Captains counted all the points and the results are as follows...

It was very close but congratulations to **Blue House**, who were awarded the trophy in assembly today. We will be counting up the House Points every half term and at the end of year, reveal the overall winner!



Diary Dates

Half Term Monday 12th February – 16th February

INSET Day Monday 19th February (school closed)

First Day of Term Tuesday 20th February

Year 1 Cake Sale Friday 1st March

Y5 Jay to Garth College Tuesday 5th March 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Quiz Night / Fish & Chips Friday 8th March

Y5 Woodpecker to Garth College Tuesday 12th March 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Book Fair Wednesday 13th March – Monday 19th March

No Clubs w/c 24th March

Weekly Attendance

Whole school attendance: 95%

Top class for attendance: Chaffinch

Fantastic attendance from Chaffinch last week with 98% attendance – well done! Our whole school attendance is lower than the previous week's figure.

Book Donations

Thank you so much to the parents who have already donated books to the school - The school and children cannot thank you enough!

If you have any books that you no longer need, please use the bookfinder link below. If they are in the scheme, we would be very grateful to have them.

Accelerated Reader Bookfinder:

<https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/UserType.aspx?RedirectURL=%2fdefault.aspx>



Upcoming events	
Friday 2 February	Year 2 Cake Sale
Friday 9 February	Disco
Friday 1 March	Year 1 Cake Sale
Friday 8 March	Quiz Night and Fish & Chips
Saturday 20 April	London Mini Marathon
Friday 3 May	Year 6 Cake Sale
Friday 24 May	Colour Run
Monday 3 June	Legoland Inset Day
Friday 7 June	Nursery Cake Sale
Friday 5 July	Reception Cake Sale

Don't forget to book tickets for the great offer for Legoland on the 3rd June (INSET day) and also our quiz night on the 8th March!