



Let your light shine before others.

Headteacher's Welcome

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to a new half term. We hope you all had a lovely break and once again it promises to be a very busy time. Please remember, Nursery Applications for places in September 2024 are now available. If you would like an application form, please call into the Lower School Office to collect one from Miss Smith.

Additional Childcare Support

Parents up and down the country can see for the first time from 27th October 2023 exactly what additional childcare support they are entitled to over the coming months and years thanks to the government's largest ever investment in childcare.

The updated eligibility checker on childcarechoices.gov.uk is now live, and allows parents to access personalised information on the support available to them, including which of the new transformational childcare offers they will be eligible for depending on the age of their child and earnings.

The website will also give parents the opportunity to sign up for regular updates letting them know when they should take action to make sure they are getting the support they are entitled to. This includes when the new 15 free hours for two-year-olds shortly becomes available for sign-ups, with the offer beginning in April 2024.

This comes as the government rolls out the next stage of delivery of its childcare plan which is set to save working parents using 30 hours of childcare, up to £6,500 per year

Children in Need Day

We will be having a non-uniform day for Children in Need on Friday 17th November. Children can wear their own clothes (no football shirts), something spotty or Pudsey related to support this day. As we are a cashless school, we ask that you make a donation using the link below.

<https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

Beauty and the Beast

EYFS and KS1 children thoroughly enjoyed the performance of Beauty and the Beast this week. It was a magical experience and a big well done to Miss Penney and Mrs Seymour who took part in a fantastic dance off!!!!

Stars of the Week

Well done to all our Stars of the week! This week they are:

Ruby - Emily
Diamond – Albie J
Topaz – Cassie
Emerald - Ibrahim
Year 3S - Abigail
Year 3/4CW – Alfie
Year 4B - Jake
Year 5R - Sam
Year 5S - Sayan
Year 6B – Isabel

Headteacher – Haydn and Elsie



Attendance

Well done to **Ruby Class** with the highest attendance this week with an impressive 96%. Amazing!

Sapphire	87%
Ruby	96%
Diamond	95.7%
Topaz	94.7%
Emerald	94.2%
Year 3S	94.1%
Year 3/4CW	94.8%
Year 4S	94.7%
Year 5R	93.7%
Year 5S	94.8%
Year 6B	95.6%

Each week we are striving to be in school every day to make the most of all our learning opportunities. This week's whole school attendance figure is **93.3%**. We would like it be 98%. Please note that holidays in term time cannot be authorised. Please remember that being on time is also extremely important.

Lower School – 9.05 am

Upper School – 8.55 am

Doors open 5 minutes earlier.



If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, you must contact the School Offices before the start of the school day.

PLEASE CAN WE REMIND EVERYONE THAT DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE PLAYGROUND AND VAPING IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.