



January



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A message from Mr Dunn

Hi everyone,

I hope that you have all had a fantastic week, even though it has been so bitterly cold. I just wanted to say thank you to all our parents for continuing to make sure that the boys and girls are still attending school even though it is so icy. Our attendance today was **96.1%** which is very good. This week our attendance is **94.4%** which is also super. Please keep this up next week and the weeks and weeks after that!

Have a lovely weekend. Keep warm and we will see you bright and early on Monday morning.

Mr Dunn

A message from Mrs Bower

This week SEND interventions have taken place. If your child is on the SEND register, you will receive their Individual Plans. If you have any questions, please speak to the class teacher in the first instance.

We will be running a workshop for all families of children with or without an ASD diagnosis on **Wednesday 24th January** at **2:15pm -3pm** and repeated at **5pm-5:45pm**. The session will offer practical ideas and strategies to support your child's social communication development and behaviour at home. It will also provide you with an understanding of social interaction and social communication. We will be joined by Louise Bieluch, Specialist Education Officer – a specialist teacher for autism who works for the Local Authority. She will be available to answer any questions that you have. Please register on the link below if you can attend, this will ensure that we can cater for you all... so come along, have a cuppa and feel supported.

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A message from Mr Scott

A huge well done to the 4CB team for winning our weekly Times Tables competition. Well done to 6KS for being the most active class on Sumdog this week with 37 minutes!

Important Dates

Wednesday 24th January

Parent workshop on ASD
2.15pm and 5pm

Friday 26th January

Y5 visit to the Space Centre

Wednesday 31st January

Academy visit by CEO Mr Hughes

Thursday 15th February

Last day of term!

Friday 16th February

INSET day
School closed to pupils

Monday 26th February

First day of term

Spelling Shed

School spelling champion this week is **Oliver Rolling**.

Second champion is **Malakai Stanley**.

Third champion is **Willow Mansfield**.

Special recommendation to **Lily Santini** for her outstanding effort with spelling this week.

Attendance

This week's attendance

94.4%

Highest class attendance

99.17% Perfect Pandas

What's been happening this week?

Year 3



Happy Friday to you all. Well done for another successful week of learning. This week has been a tough week in maths where children have been learning to use the column method with a carry over, children have picked this up well and we are pleased with the progress. I will post a video on class dojo for NEXT week's maths - column subtraction so you can practise if you want too! We have learnt a lot of grammar this week in preparation for our final draft of our volcano reports - commas in a list, subordinating conjunctions and prepositions. Mr Padley and Mrs Saunby were very impressed with our Year 3 children this week when talking to them about geography - well done!

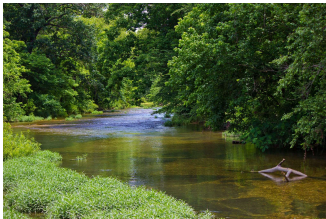
Next week: final draft of your reports, column subtraction, learning about tornadoes in our reading lessons and learning about the locations of the volcanoes and earthquakes. Another busy week!

Year 4



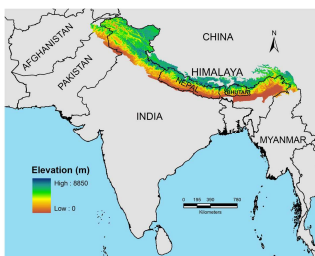
Year 4 have worked very hard this week on their stories: they have been retelling the story of a tribe, who encounter a stranger trying to take their forest away. There were some excellent sentences and presentation. Maths has focused on rounding, addition and subtraction, with a focus on perimeter of regular polygons next week. We have been classifying animals according to their features in science, the children have really enjoyed learning about all the different animals. Geography has continued with the rainforest topic, looking at the different layers of a tropical rainforest, and trying to guess which animal lives there! Thank you to year 4 for all their hard work this week.

Year 5



This week in Year 5 we have working hard to solve money problems and exploring the dominoes menu to create a meal (and make us hungry!). In English, we have continued our work on poetry, creating our own river poems to read out to other classes. Our favourite activity of the week has been progressing our skills in hockey and learning how to dribble, pass and block our opponent's ball! Super work from you all this week Year 5 and we are looking forward to an exciting trip to the National Space Centre next week!

Year 6



Another busy week for Year 6. In English this week, we have looked at the Year 6 expectations for writing and used them to assess our own writing. The children have given great judgements and hopefully this will lead to even more improvements. We have used our iPads and atlases to identify different mountains in geography, learning which mountain ranges they belong to and where they are located...lots of excitement was generated! Many of us have an idea of which ones we would want to visit. Despite the chilly weather, we have been out learning the techniques required for tag rugby. Not easy to remember not to throw forward! Please check Dojo for a recent letter about the PSHE this term and about a health questionnaire. Hope you stay warm this weekend!