

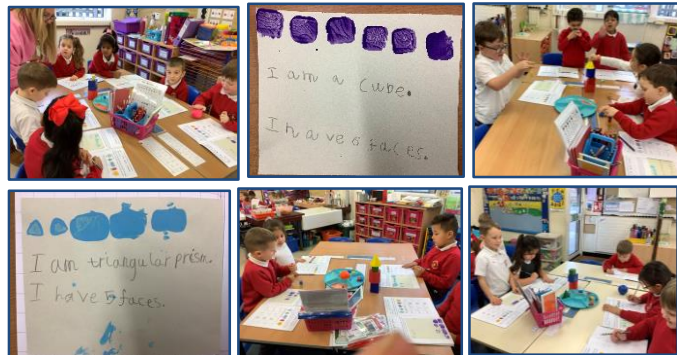
A message from Mrs Knights

Happy New Year to all of our families! The children have been amazing at settling back into the school routine and focusing on their learning. In our assembly on Monday we launched the 'Reading Challenge'. All of the children are so keen to share with you at home how their reading gets better and better every week. They explained to me that in order for that to happen, they have to keep practising, never give up and believe in themselves. I hope you are as impressed with their reading as we are. Please don't forget to sign their reading logs. Thank you to everyone for adapting to our new school hours, 8:45am - 3:15pm. Enjoy the weekend!

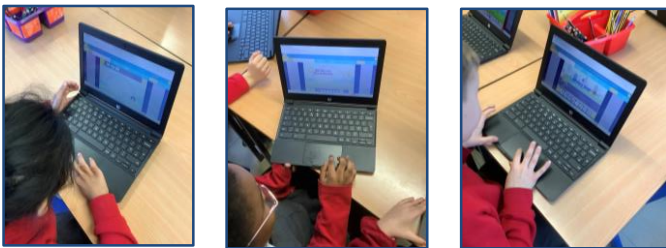
Head Teacher's Award

Elise in **Green** for her amazing Christmas poem
Neo and **Harrison** in **Red** for their brilliant phonics work

Year 1 In Maths, we were learning about 3D shapes and explored their properties. We found out how many faces they have by printing them and which shapes can roll, slide or stack. In English, we were creating a poem using rhyming couplets. Based on the book called 'Oi Dog' we wrote our own rules for the animals.

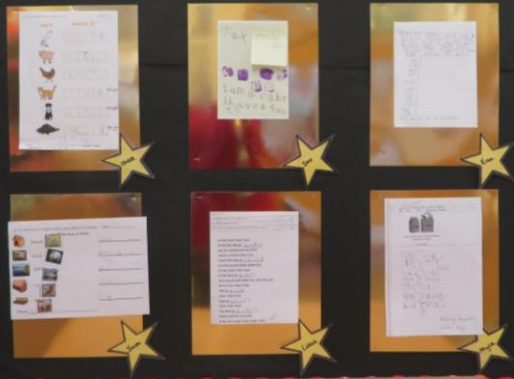


Year 2 In English, we have started learning about Traditional Tales. We read two different versions of 'Rapunzel' and have made comparisons between the two stories. We used adjectives to describe Rapunzel. We added them to a 'zones of relevance' display where the words in the middle were most true and the words on the outside were not true. In computing, we are continuing to learn about animations, by adding new frames. We know that small movements help to make the animations look more realistic.



Reception This week we started a new topic, 'animals around the world'. Our first stop is Europe. We have been learning all about farm animals, where they live and the different names of the adult animals and baby animals. We have been using our phonic knowledge to help us label the different animals you find on a farm and writing simple sentences. In maths, we have been using our counting skills to compare groups of objects, identifying when a group has equal amounts or what the difference is between the groups. For example, if I have 5 shells and 3 buttons, there are 2 more shells than buttons, so 5 is 2 more than 3.

YOU MAKE US PROUD



WELL DONE to all the children who made it onto our 'You Make Us Proud' board.

- Jacob Lillie Kian
Chase Jax Myla

Happy Birthday
Blake Freya

Breakfast Club
Star of the Week
Ariya

STARS OF THE WEEK

Quinn
Vlad
Ella
Amina
Pennyjane
Ronnie

PARENT LUNCH

If you would like to book Parent to Lunch with your child please use the link below or call the school office. Spaces filling up fast.

<https://forms.office.com/e/KgT9W7477S>

Dates available:

- 26th January 1st March
2nd February 8th March
9th February 15th March
16th February 22nd March

SWAP SHOP

Don't forget we have a 'Shoe Swap'. It is located next to the lost property box inside the double doors of the main playground.

Please help yourself to any shoes or wellies. If you have any preloved shoes, trainers or wellies that could be used by someone else, we would welcome any donations. Thank you.



After School Club



Monday, Tuesday (games) and Friday club still have spaces

After school club now runs two sessions:

3:15pm – 4:15pm £5 per session

3:15pm – 5:15pm (Mon-Thurs only)

£11.50 per session

Please make club bookings on Arbor



READING CHALLENGE

We hope everyone enjoys completing the Reading challenge that starts today and runs for 7 weeks!

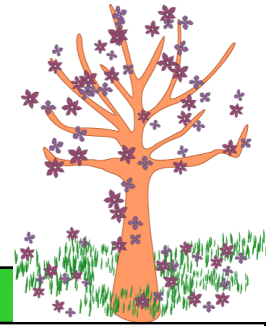
Attendance

Congratulations to PURPLE & GREEN class.

Keep up the amazing work 😊

ORANGE	93.4%	RED	94.0%
PURPLE	97.0%	BLUE	93.9%
YELLOW	94.4%	GREEN	97.0%

DIARY DATES SPRING 2024



JANUARY	
Thursday 4th & Friday 5th	INSET School Closed for children
Monday 8th	Spring term starts for children 8.50 am
Monday 22 nd	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 24 th	Open Classrooms 2:45pm to 3:15pm

FEBRUARY	
W/C 5 th Feb	One World Week
Monday 12 th	Year 2 Dance Festival Rehearsal
Tuesday 13 th	E-Safety Workshops – Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 14 th	Year 2 Dance Festival – Rickmansworth School
Mon 19th – Fri 23rd	Half term – school closed
Monday 24th	2ND HALF OF SPRING TERM BEGINS – 8:45am for children
Wednesday 28 th	WOW Wednesday – Phonics/reading 2:45pm-3:15pm

MARCH	
Monday 4 th	Parent & Teacher Consultations 3.30-6:00pm
Wednesday 6 th	Parent & Teacher Consultations 3.30-7.30pm
Thursday 7 th	World Book Day
Friday 8 th – Wednesday 13 th	Book Fair
Wednesday 13 th	Purple Class Assembly 2:45pm
Thursday 14 th	Blue Class Assembly 2:45pm
Friday 15 th	Comic Relief Day – Details to follow
W/C Monday 18 th	Science Week
Wednesday 20 th	Orange Class Assembly 2:45pm
Thursday 21 st	Red Class Assembly 2:45pm
Friday 22 nd	Non-Uniform Day – Easter Egg Donations
Monday 25 th	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 27 th	Easter Egg Tombola – 3:00pm – 3:30pm
Thursday 28th	Spring term ends – 1:15pm Finish

APRIL	
Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April	Easter Holidays – School Closed