

February Newsletter

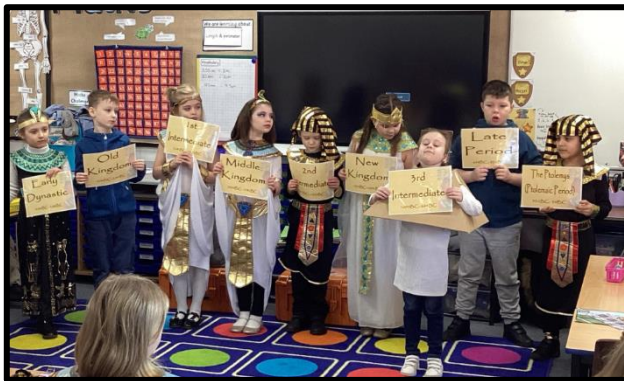


Children's Mental Health Week



Some of our school council representatives helped to lead mental health linked activities at lunchtime. Sleep room, Mindful colouring, Yoga, Board games were available for children to enjoy. The children had a lovely time.

Egyptian Workshop



To support learning and understanding of their History unit the Egyptians, Year 3 have been offered the opportunity for the children to engage in an Egyptian workshop. They had an amazing time.

NSPCC Number Day

Thank you so much for your support! We have raised £94.63 for the NSPCC (National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children) All children costumes were amazing.



Valentine's Disco



The children had a great time dancing, colouring or playing outside.

Thank you



We said goodbye to the Secretary of the PFA. Thank you for all your hard work over the years. You have helped to provide many lovely events for our children and helped raise funds. You will be missed :)

School Car Parking

In order to keep our school community safe, parents should not enter the school car park between 8.15am and 4.15pm, unless you have a pre booked meeting or it has been agreed with the Headteacher.

We are also witnessing parents pulling over / parking in the entrance to the school car park, causing a hazard. Please do not park here.

Holiday requests during term time

Any requests should be an official school Leave of Absence Request form which is available on the school website or collectable from the school office. This should be handed into the school office for consideration prior to any holiday/leave arrangements being made.

In September 2013 the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2013 came into force. The regulations make it clear that Headteachers should not grant approval for any leave of absence during term time, including holidays unless there are exceptional circumstances. These regulations also state that holidays cannot be authorised retrospectively.

You may be issued with a Penalty Notice should leave be taken which is not authorised. If unpaid, this could lead to prosecution under section 444(1) of The Education Act 1996.

Attendance


Our attendance target for this academic year is 96%+

Key

Attendance is at or above the school target of 96%

Attendance is between 92 – 96%, below school target and being monitored

Attendance is below 92% and significantly below the school target of 97%. Action to improve attendance needed

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Attendance for February</u> | <u>WINNING CLASS</u> |
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| NEST & Nursery – Mrs Orme | 84.53 % | WELL DONE YEAR 5  |
| Reception – Mrs Pickering | 93.49 % | |
| Year 1 Miss Smyth | 96.15 % | |
| Year 2 Mrs Daysh | 96.94 % | |
| Year 3 Mrs Siddall | 95.11 % | |
| Year 4 Mrs Wright / Draper | 96.07 % | |
| Year 5 Miss King / Miss Hill | 97.47 % | |
| Year 6 Mr Beeden / Miss Hill | 96.12 % | |
| Whole School | 94.47 % | |

Governors of Duckmanton Primary School

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| Miss S Scarborough | Chair of Governors/ LA Governor |
| Mr C Martin | Co-opted Governor |
| Mrs E Levers | Headteacher |
| Mr J Beeden | Staff Governor |
| Mrs M Lane | Co-opted Governor |
| Mr D Barlow | Parent Governor |
| Mr M Copestake | Parent Governor |

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