

A Few Words from Mr Hancox

Welcome back, we hope you have all had an amazing Christmas. The children have settled into school in such a positive way, and have been engaged and ready to learn, despite the cold spell we have had! We have started the term with a very exciting trip to the Assembly Rooms to watch Cinderella and have all ticked off one of the targets for our 'Ankermoor's Incredible Moments' incentive. We will keep you posted on upcoming events and activities that we have planned throughout the year and look forward to seeing representatives of your families at Parent Lunches, Achievement Assemblies and our Easter Class Assembly (Y3/4).

We are looking for people to come into school to hear our children read, if you are prepared to give up your time for this very worthwhile cause, could you please let the office know, who will then sort your DBS out, in order for you to be able to come into school.



Whole school trip to the pantomime (Assembly Rooms) to watch Cinderella



The whole school took part in a wonderful trip to the Tamworth Assembly Rooms to watch Cinderella, they enjoyed the production so much and haven't stopped talking about it. All our children behaved perfectly and were a credit to the school. Thank you to all the parents who have supported us with this, it could not have happened without your support.

What is going on in Spring Term

29 th January	Chinese New Year set menu
24 th January	Reception Forest Friday - Year 5/6 Parent Lunch
31 st January	Year 1/2 Forest Friday - Year 3/4 Parent Lunch
7 th February	Year 3/4 Forest Friday – Year 1/2 Parent Lunch
10 th /11 th February	Parents' Evening
11 th February	Interhouse Sports Competition (Parents to come in and watch PE lessons)
14 th February	Year 5/6 Forest Friday - Reception Parent lunch
14 th February	Valentines Biscuit/Cake Sale
14 th February	Break up for Half Term
24 th February	INSET Day – Children not in school
6 th March	World Book Day (dress up/cake sale)
14 th March	Reception Forest Friday - Year 5/6 Parent Lunch
21 st March	Year 1/2 Forest Friday - Year 3/4 Parent Lunch
28 th March	Year 3/4 Forest Friday – Year 1/2 Parent Lunch
31 st March	Mothers' Day – Cake and crafts
31 st March	Bring in chocolates/alcohol (for Easter Bingo/Raffle)
4 th April	Year 5/6 Forest Friday - Reception Parent lunch
4 th April	Strategy Day
7 th April	Easter Day Year 3/4 Assembly (Parents)
7 th April	Easter Bingo/Raffle (after school)
8 th April	Rock Steady Concert
8 th April	Interhouse Sports Competition (Parents to come in and watch PE lessons)
10 th April	Easter Disco – (R, Y1, Y2) (Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6)
11 th April	Easter Menu Day
11 th April	Break up for the Easter Holiday

What is happening in the next two weeks!

Monday 20th January

Basketball Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Well-being Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm

Tuesday 21st January

KS1/KS2 Sports Club – Multi skills 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Progressive Sports / Rock Steady music

Wednesday 22nd January

Gymnastics/Dance Club (KS1/2) – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Rockit Music/ Woodwind tuition

Thursday 23rd January

Friday 24th January
Reception Forest Friday
Year 5/6 Parent Lunch

Monday 27th January

Basketball Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Well-being Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Height and weight checks for Reception and Year 6

Tuesday 28th January

KS1/KS2 Sports Club – Multi skills 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Progressive Sports / Rock Steady music

Wednesday 29th January

Gymnastics/Dance Club (KS1/2) – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Rockit Music/ Woodwind tuition

Chinese New Year menu

Thursday 30th January

Friday 31st January
Year 1/2 Forest Friday
Year 3/4 Parent Lunch







Value Champions 'Eddie Enjoyment'



10th January
Y1/2 - Charlie L
Y3/4 - Sophie S
Y5/6 - Molly W

17th January
Rec - Hayden P-B
Y1/2 - Brandy B
Y3/4 - Cain O'G
Y5/6 - Lacey K

Congratulations to all the children who have received an achievement certificate this term, we are really looking forward to hearing about all the future achievement from our children.

	Total House Points this half term!	Total House Points this year!
 The Lions Value: Perseverance En Français: "lion"	99	1730
 The Scorpions Value: Responsibility En Français: "scorpio"	191	1481
 The Sharks Value: Respect En Français: "requin"	64	1377
 The Crocodiles Value: Trust En Français: "crocodile"	121	1506

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Attendance

Well done to all the children who received an **Excellent Attendance Award** and a **100% Attendance Award**. We are very proud of all of you!



Our attendance is at 92% for the year to date - quite below national, and together we can do better. Learning is a daily event and builds up in small steps over the week, the month, and the year. Each lesson is a jigsaw piece, and too many missing pieces can muddle the full picture.

We have 10 certificates for 100% attendance and a further 24 for excellent attendance to award from last term - this is great. Let's make this term memorable and full of learning adventures!

E-Safety update

1. Talk to Your Child About Online Safety

- Discuss the importance of not sharing personal information (name, address, school, passwords) online.
- Encourage your child to speak up if they see or experience anything that makes them uncomfortable.

2. Set Clear Rules for Online Use

- Create boundaries for screen time and establish age-appropriate rules for apps, websites, and games.
- Use parental controls to monitor and restrict content where needed.

3. Monitor Their Online Activity

- Keep devices in shared spaces rather than bedrooms.
- Regularly review the games, apps, and websites your child uses to ensure they are appropriate.

4. Be Informed About Online Risks

- Learn about the platforms your child uses, including social media, gaming apps, and messaging services
- Be aware of potential risks such as cyberbullying, scams, and access to inappropriate content.

5. Promote Positive Online Behavior

- Teach your child about being kind and respectful online.
- Remind them that their online actions have real-world consequences.

We encourage you to explore resources like [ThinkUKnow](#) or [Childnet](#) for practical advice and age-appropriate activities to support your child's e-safety journey.

Attendance this week

Reception– 91.9%
Year 1/2 - 95.7%
Year 3/4 – 95.8%
Year 5/6 – 94.8%



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