



Weekly update

It's been another really good week in school this week.

There's been lots of great learning going on and it's been nice to see lots of children coming to office for stickers and to show their work.

Once we have received the update forms that have been sent out, we'll be able to start sharing lots of photos of things we're doing on Class Dojo.

We had our first tea party last Friday. Children who receive a STAR of the week award are invited to a tea party with me or Mrs Woolley on a Friday afternoon for a drink and treat.

The pirate ship has been popular again this week even though it's not been great weather.

Next week we're starting our 'Lunchtime Lounge' club for KS1 and KS2 children. This will give children the chance to do something a bit different at lunchtime e.g. play a game, use LEGO, colour or access sensory toys in the school library. We'll speak to the children about this today/next week.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please pop in, Dojo or ring the office.

Thanks, Mr Gotheridge.




Attendance

Dallimore places great importance on attendance and punctuality. We know that children who have good attendance achieve well in school. We know that dropping below 95% attendance can impact children's learning. If you need any support with your child's attendance, please contact Mrs Barber (Family Liaison Officer) or Mr Gotheridge and we'll see what we can do to help. We offer class rewards weekly and individual rewards half termly for good attendance.

Whole school attendance this week: 96.81%

Class with 100% attendance: Eagles - well done!

The table below shows roughly what attendance percentages look like over the course

Attendance	What is your attendance?		
	100%	0 days off	Perfect!
	98%	4 days off	Very impressive
	96%	7 days off	Good
	95%	9 days off	Almost there
	94%	11 days off	Needs to improve
	90%	1 month off	Concerns
	80%	2 months off	Serious concerns

TT Rock Stars and Numbots

Most children in school have now logged onto TT Rock Stars or Numbots and used this in class.

Numbots is really helpful for practising the basics with number - challenge mode allows you to choose specific things to practise e.g. bonds to 10, doubles etc.

On TT Rock Stars, Garage mode is very useful as it targets individual tables and personalises the questions for each player in every game.

Spending just 5 - 10 minutes a day on these apps makes a huge difference and really helps the children with their learning in school.

Logins should be in the children's reading diaries but if you have problems, please let us know.



Online safety



Screen time is the amount of time we spend on devices with screens, like phones, tablets or laptops. Sometimes, there can be concerns that young people are spending too long on their devices, and about the effect that screen time can have on health and wellbeing.

- Think quality over quantity
- Talk to children about warning signs e.g. they have sore eyes, a headache, feeling restless etc - it can be helpful for children to know the signs of when they've had too much screen time.
- Create and adapt expectations around screen time and set limits.
- Lots of apps and devices now have wellbeing settings to support children and young people with having a healthy balance of time online and offline.

For more advice around online safety, the following website has lots of useful information.

www.saferinternet.org.uk

If you are worried about anything to do with online safety, please feel free to contact school or pop into the office.

Diary dates

- Umbrella coffee morning - Tuesday 7th October (all welcome straight after drop off)
- Reception parents' meeting for phonics: Monday 6th October (9:15am for 30 minutes)
- Year 1 and Year 2 parents' meeting for phonics and reading: Monday 29th September (9:15am for 30 minutes)
- Year 6 parents' meeting for supporting your child in year 6/transition to secondary: Wednesday 24th September (9:15am for 30 minutes)
- Flu Vaccinations: Wednesday 5th November