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Spring Term

NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale C. of E. Primary School

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The class with the best attendance last week at 100% was ...

Year 5



The class with the best punctuality last week and with 0 children late all week was ...

Year 4 & 5

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Children are required to attend school for 190 days each year. The LA target for attendance in primary school is at least 95%.



Attendance during one school year	Days Absent...	Weeks Absent...	Lessons Missed...
95%	9 Days	2 Weeks	40 Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	80 Lessons
85%	29 Days	6 Weeks	120 Lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	160 Lessons
75%	48 Days	10 Weeks	200 Lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	230 Lessons
60%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	270 Lessons

How does your child's attendance compare with this target? Please remember that children who miss a lot of school achieve less.

Cycling to School

We have had an influx of children showing an interest in wanting to cycle to school over the past week, but they are finding it difficult to store their bikes somewhere safe. Richard will be opening up the gates at the front of Mayberly Hall, where there are six bike racks. Please feel free to use these, and if we find we do not have enough and need more, FOSJ have agreed to fund more to be put in place. Richard will open and close the gates of Mayberly Hall at the same times as he does the main school gates at the beginning and ends of day.

International Day

International day is coming up on Friday 20th March. Last year was the first year in which we celebrated an International day, and this year it is back by popular demand. We encourage all parents who have a different heritage, and would like to share information on their home countries with their child's class, to speak to the class teachers and arrange a time to pop in over the day. At the end of the day, we will gather in the school playground, weather permitting, and share a range of dishes from different countries. Again, parents, if you are willing to contribute some traditional cuisine, please let your class teachers know. We look forward to another great day ahead celebrating our differences and showing respect to others.

Recent Events

Yesterday, we celebrated World Book Day, and my goodness we did it in style! With a mixture of children dressing in traditional character costumes, and some coming dressed as an interesting verb or adjective, the creativity was once again second-to-none. The children took part in book/story related events throughout the day, and shared their learning with each class in assembly at the end, along with their amazing outfits.



Some of our Year 5 and Year 6 children attended a Netball competition last week and put in a very good effort. They finished 6th place out of twelve school after playing in two sets of groups stages.

