

Newsletter 9th February 2018

Head Teacher: Mrs Bernice Waite

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What a busy and exciting half term we have had. Can you believe that we are now halfway through this academic year!

Reports

All parents should have received their child's Mid-Year Summary Report. If you have not received a report, please contact your child's Class Teacher. The children in Sapphire Class are currently sitting Mock SATs and their reports will be sent home next half term once the results have been analysed.

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day was celebrated globally on Tuesday 6th February 2018 with the slogan "**Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you**".

More than a thousand organisations across the UK got involved to help inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. The children were involved in a range of activities that raised their awareness of staying safe online and being vigilant when using social media.

School Gates

A number of parents have mentioned that they have missed seeing me around on the school gates every morning. The reason for this is that I am currently in Year 6 teaching every day covering for their class teacher. Mrs Griffiths will be returning to school the week commencing 5th March. I shall be back to meet and greet you when she returns.

Term Time Holiday Requests

I am receiving a high number of holiday requests during term time. Holidays are unauthorised. Please refer to the Procedural document on the website for further guidance by following this link: <http://www.houghtonregisprimary.co.uk/term-time-leave/>

Staff Goodbyes...

Mrs Reed will be leaving to start her maternity leave. We wish her and her husband well as they welcome their new baby into the world.

Mrs Bev Waters, our lovely cleaner is retiring and starting a new life near the seaside. We will miss her dearly and also miss her fabulous home-made cakes.

Mrs Robson and Miss Akthar - our Year 5 teacher trainees have completed their 6 week placement with us and have thoroughly enjoyed it. We are pleased to report that their placements were very successful. Miss Naisby and Miss White will be returning after half term.

On behalf of the school and the community I would like to wish them all well and thank them for their continued support and dedication to our school. Good luck!

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very happy half term break and I look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 19th February.

Mrs Waite

Attendance

Class	Attendance %
Gold 1	92.11
Gold 2	81.76
Orange	94.17
Green	89.81
Purple	100.0
Yellow	91.52
Blue	94.05
Red	93.53
Amber	98.68
Emerald	95.0
Sapphire	98.28

Best attending class for KS1 is Purple with 100%.

Best attending class for KS2 is Amber 98.68%.

The Attendance bear will go to Purple class- Well Done!!

Attendance is extremely important for future attainment.

If your child is going to be absent due to medical appointments please inform the office and provide evidence.

If your child is off due to illness please make contact with the school every day.

Thank you for all of your ongoing support.



Our current school target is 97% our current percentage this week is 93.77%.

Let's improve this next term.

