



11<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Newsletter Spring 3

Dear Families,

Thank you to parents and carers for making sure the children are arriving in school on time for lessons to start promptly each morning. We have seen a huge improvement in punctuality since I put out the reminder, and it makes such a big difference to how the day begins for pupils and staff, so thank you.



### Parent teacher consultations

Thank you to the families who have attended a parent teacher consultation already. The rest of the classes will be having their appointments during this week, so if you have not signed up to talk to your child's teacher, then please get in touch to arrange a time.



It is invaluable for us to have those conversations with parents and carers, in order to share the progress of your child, their current targets, and support you with how you can help at home. We have had some wonderful feedback from parents, and would like the opportunity to share the fabulous progress being made by every child.

### Non-uniform day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday in exchange for a donation of £1 to support our PTA to run our very exciting 'Easter Family Bingo Night'. Please see the attached flyer if you have not bought your tickets yet...it looks like a brilliant night of Easter fun! All money raised will be donated to school to buy some of the resources on our 'School wish list'.



### Year 1 Phonics coffee morning for parents

We would like to invite the parents and carers of Year 1 pupils in for coffee, and to find out more about the phonics screening check.

The session will be held on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 9-10am** in the main hall. Miss Taylor and Mrs Fuller will be able to give you all of the information you need about the phonics screening check, which all of the children in Year 1 will do in June. We look forward to seeing you there.



## Handwriting of the Week

As you may know from speaking to your child, or their teacher, our whole school focus this term is handwriting and presentation. We have worked together with the children to come up with some engaging activities to inspire everyone to improve their handwriting. We have some brilliant new resources, which we would like to buy more of with help from our PTA, and the children are taking part in daily short burst fine motor activities, in order to strengthen the muscles in their hands and fingers to improve their pencil grip and control.



Every Monday, teachers nominate one child from their class for making super effort with their handwriting. They are presented with a 'Star Writer' pencil and certificate, and their handwriting is shared as an example of amazing effort. Any help with handwriting practice at home would be fantastic!

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,  
Nadine Fielding  
Head teacher