## HECKINGTON ST. ANDREW'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



We hope you like our new artwork in school celebrating our 5R Values.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely half term holiday and welcome back to a new school term. The children have all settled back into school really well and are working hard on their learning.

We have noticed that, in a morning, there is often some congestion around the gate in front of the swimming pool when parents are dropping off their children to school, which makes it difficult for children coming into school. Please can we ask that the gate area is kept clear and you come further onto the playground when dropping off your children. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Yours sincerely Mrs Bentley

# **Diary Dates**

21st-22nd February - Parents' evenings 23rd February - Planetarium workshop Year 5 w/c 26th February - PTFA Mother's Day/Special Person Pop-up shopdetails to follow 4th -8th March - Year 6 Hilltop trip 7th March - World Book Day - scroll for further information 20th March - Science and RE exhibition 3:30pm - Parents invited 27th March PTFA Disco - details to follow 28th March - Easter service in Church Year3/4/5 9.30am 28th March - Last day of term 16th April - First day back



### <u>Attendance Data for Spring Term 1</u>

Please see below for our Spring Term 1 attendance data. Remember, we are aiming for 96% attendance or better to ensure that our children have the best chance to succeed at their learning. Please continue to support us by understanding the importance of NOT taking term time holidays or absences from school wherever

Spring Term 1 Attendance Averages	Attendance Key
Oak Class = 96.1%	96 - 100% Well done 91% - 95% Risk of underachievement 85% - 90% Serious risk of underachievement Below 85% serious cause for concern and underachievement
Maple Class = 96.1%	
Willow Class = 96.1%	
Chestnut Class = 96.6%	
Rowan Class = <mark>93.9%</mark>	
Silver Birch Class = 96.5%	
Hazel Class = 95.7%	
Overall = <mark>95.9%</mark>	

possible.

#### Let's keep aiming for 100% attendance!

#### **Reporting absences**

We have a duty of care to ensure every child is safe and well. Should we not hear from you regarding your child's absence, we will ring all the contact numbers we have. If we do not get a response, we may carry out a safe and welfare check. This takes a lot of valuable time, therefore, please can we request that should your child not be attending school, please can you ensure you notify us by 9:00am. This can either be by email, voicemail or telephoning the office. Thank you for your support.



For World Book Day, we are giving you a choice of activities to help celebrate. Please choose, one, two or all of the activities to have a go at!

1. Bring in a book: the children can bring in their favourite book (please put your child's name in it) to share with the class.

2. Make Something With A Book Quote On: Something to display; something to wear...it doesn't matter as long as the children have made it and it has a quote from a book

on it!

3. Bring In A Book Object: the children need to bring in an object that represents a book to share with the class. How many people can guess the book?

