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Library

It is great to see so many children using the library every fortnight. When the children visit the library, they tell their classmates about the book they have been reading. They also suggest why someone else should read it. Last term, the children got better at recommending books and we will continue to work with them on this skill. Some children gave fantastic recommendations. As a reward, they got to buy some new books for our library. These children were James Bassett, Ava Askham and Ethan Goodwin. The children have already started to read and enjoy the books they have bought. More children will get the opportunity to buy some books for our school this term.

School Nurse

Recently, the school nurse visited the academy to share important information with some of our children. The children in year 1 learnt about the importance of washing their hands while the children in year 3 discovered more about dental hygiene. After the visit, Harper said, "When you're washing your hands, you have to wash in between your fingers and under your fingernails because germs can live in those places." Stephen added, "You must wash your hands before cooking or eating so that you don't get germs on the food." The teachers will continue to reinforce these messages during their relationships and health lessons each week.

Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Well done to reception and year 1 for having an attendance of more than 97%! Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

Upper Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
97.93%	97.74%	93.7%	91.47%	95.45%	85.27%	91.73%	93.38%

Pupil Questionnaires

It is important for us to ask the children what they like about the school and what they think we can do better. Over the next two weeks, the children will complete questionnaires so we can evaluate how well we are doing! I look forward to sharing the findings with you. Later this term, I will also send out a parent questionnaire so you are able to share your views about the school.

SATs Information

Last week, we emailed information about the SATs to the parents of our children in years 2 and 6. I hope the information will help you to prepare your child for the tests in May. We have also handed out some revision guides to support your child's learning at home. The books give examples of questions that the children might be asked in their end-of-year tests. If you have any more questions about these books, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson
Headteacher