



Friday 10th March 2023

Pupil Questionnaires

The children have recently completed a questionnaire. The questionnaire asks the children to give their thoughts about school. This week, I have looked at the feedback from the children in our Upper Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. Every child in Key Stage 1 said that they learn lots in school and that they feel safe in school. A few children said that they weren't sure what bullying means. The teachers in these classes will work with our children in Key Stage 1 to make sure they understand what bullying means. The children in our Upper Foundation Stage were extremely positive about their learning experiences and clearly enjoy coming to school. Overall, I am pleased with the feedback and I will let you know the thoughts and opinions of the children in Key Stage 2 in the next newsletter.

Reading

We recently sent a letter to the parents of our younger children. The letter explains what your child will learn in their phonics lessons this half-term. The letter also gives information about how you can help your child at home with their early reading. Please keep going back over the sounds and tricky words that your child has already learnt. Please also try to hear your child read for at least ten minutes a day. If you haven't received this letter, you can find it under the "Letters to Parents" section of our website.

Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Well done to years 1 and 3 for having an attendance of more than 99%! 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
90.4%	99.3%	97.3%	99.6%	94%	98.3%	97.7%	96.7%

Termly Assessments

Last week, the children did their termly assessments. I was pleased with the children's attitudes during these tests. They applied themselves superbly and showed what they could do. The children should now have brought their assessments home.

Please contact the office to speak to your child's class teacher:

- if you haven't received your child's assessment; or
- if, after looking at the assessments, you feel unsure about how to help your child at home.

Word of the Month

We must allow our children to learn and use new words. Each month, the children are introduced to a special word that is displayed in the classroom. Below, you will find the word of the month for each class in March:

- Year 1 - dread
- Year 2 - devoured
- Year 3 - dwindle
- Year 4 - infinite
- Year 5 - spectre
- Year 6 - unoccupied

We hope that our children can soon tell each other what the word means, use it correctly in their work and spell it correctly in their writing. Please encourage your child to use the word of the month at home.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson
Headteacher