

Congratulations to our attendance cup winners!

RA 97.6% 2H 99.6% 5B 98.7%

Dear Parents & Carers,

And just like that we are at the halfway point of the year! Time seems to have flown by. Some pupils pointed out some of the bulbs that are starting to come up in Ben's Garden and in the Early Years garden and it was a lovely moment where we could see that Spring had sprung and the worst of the winter was behind us.

Some reminders and messages below:

- Last week we had a visit from our **School Improvement Partner** who came in to speak to staff & pupils and to look at learning across the school. Again it was lovely to hear how warm & trusting the relationships are across our school. We continue to develop our curriculum so that we are building on knowledge and not repeating previous learning. Our SIP was particularly complimentary about the amazing start that our pupils get in the Early Years and how that engagement & curiosity continues to build as they move through the school. We were particularly pleased to see that *'The written curriculum is broad and balanced with a focus on issues reflecting the local community'* as this has been a school development focus for us since the lockdown period.
- A reminder that booking slots for the **Parent/ Carer meetings with teachers** are now open for our meeting dates on **Tuesday 28th February & Wednesday 1st March**. We look forward to seeing as many of you in person as we can. Please ensure your child comes to the meeting with you so that they can lead the discussion on the things they have been learning about in class this year and show you their books!
- Thank you to the families that supported our fundraiser for the **Turkey/Syria Earthquake** appeal at such short notice. It was wonderful to see the pupils being so **involved** as global community members.
- As we are at the halfway point of the year it would be a great time to review the **Pupil Passports** that were sent home at the start of the year and to see if there is anything on them that could be completed & stamped off after the half term break. They are designed to give all pupils some wonderful 'cultural capital' (that's the posh phrase— we prefer to say 'life experiences') moments that they will treasure forever.
- A final thank you to the parents that came for the 'Online Safety' session at school yesterday. As we approach the holidays, it is always a poignant time to remind parents & carers of the need to be vigilant of the risks on online activity of pupils and to check your parent settings are in place to protect your child. Please see our website for some easy tips & resources that can help you to do this.
- Lost property will be in the KS1 playground today after school for everyone to look through!

Have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you all return to school on **Monday 20th February**.

Mr Hughes & Ms Crouch

Friday 10 Feb last day of school before half term

Monday 13th Feb to Friday 17th Feb: Half term holiday

Thursday 23 Feb 'History off the Page' day for Year 6

Friday 24 Feb Cake sale in KS1 playground after school

Tuesday 28 Feb Author visit to school as part of World Book Day celebrations

Tuesday 28 Feb and Wednesday 1 March 3.30—6pm Parent Consultations in school—please book on Arbor

Friday 3rd March: World Book Day

Tuesday 14 March Museum of the Brands visit Year 6

Friday 17 March Red Nose Day

Friday 24 March Break the Rules Day

Friday 31st March: last day of school before Easter & cake sale in KS1 playground after school

Monday 3 April to Friday 14 April Easter holiday

Our Value of the month is...



Thank you!

The first count of money raised by our non-uniform appeal for Turkey and Syria today is an incredible £2,315. We are, as always, blown away by your generosity. Thank you.



Well done to our mixed handball team for winning the Redbridge Educational Partnership tournament. We played 8 games altogether: winning



Our Year 5 children had a fabulous trip to The British Museum this week as part of their topic 'Benin'. It is great getting the children out and about and **involved** in their learning. Thank you to all of the parent helpers who made the trip possible.



UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

SPRING TERM

CAKE SALE - 24th February

OPEN PTA MEETING - 8th March

BREAK THE RULES DAY - 24th March

CAKE SALE - 31st March

HAIR RAISERS - Date TBC

SUMMER TERM

CAKE SALE - 28th April

WYNL NIGHT - 4th May

SPRING DISCO - 5th May

OPEN PTA MEETING - 17th May

5p RACE - 26th May

CAKE SALE - 26th May

CAKE SALE - 30th June

SUMMER FAIR - 8th July



On The Ball Holiday Club

On the Ball are returning to Aldersbrook Primary School once again to deliver a fun filled, action packed multi sports activity camp during the February Half Term from 13th - 17th February. Running daily from **8am - 6pm**, our Ofsted registered camps provide a fantastic way for children to stay active and entertained during the school holidays. Our camps are open to **Reception - Year 6** children. We put fun and enjoyment at the heart of everything that we offer, so even if your child is not the sportiest, we are sure that they will still have a great time! We accept childcare vouchers and tax-free credits. To book or for more information please visit <https://www.ontheballsportscamps.com/>



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18, 25

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Children must be accompanied by an adult

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