



Newsletter



January 2024

Happy New Year

Happy New Year to all of our school community. I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and are ready for an exciting 2024.



School Rewards



At the end of each term, we give out awards to individual pupils for their efforts and progress in Reading, Writing and Maths. We also give a Gold award to a pupil in each class who has displayed all of our school values for the whole term. This year, we have decided that we will recognise an extra subject at the end of each term too. At the end of the Autumn term, we gave out a science award to each class and in the Spring term, we may be giving out awards for humanities, creative arts or sport. We also decided to change the format of the award giving and secretly invite the parents of the winners into school to watch their child receive the certificate, share their work and have some refreshments together. It was so lovely to see how surprised the children were to see their parents and it was great to see everyone sharing the wonderful work that they had produced.

Extra Curricular Activities

Once again, we are offering a wide range of extra curricular activities to your children. This term we are offering:

Monday – Gymnastics

Tuesday – Drama & Football

Wednesday – Dodgeball and choir

Thursday – Nerf Active

Friday – Athletics

If you need any letters about any of these clubs, please contact the school office.



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Attendance

Attendance at school is incredibly important for all children. This is recognised by the Department for Education and this week, they have announced their National Drive to Improve School Attendance. The NHS have also released a document entitled "Is My Child Too Ill for School?." This link will take you to the document:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Whole School Attendance for December
90.82%

This is our lowest monthly attendance for some while.

190 DAYS 100%	183 DAYS 96%	179 DAYS 94%	175 DAYS 92%	More than 18 days absence less than 90%
Very best chance of success	Off to a flying start	Less chance of success	Harder to make progress	Persistent Absentee (your child misses a lot)

Our target is 96%

Christmas KaraOAKe

As we will soon become part of Oak Trees Multi Academy Trust, it was great for our choir to be invited to take part in a Christmas singing event at Hilbre High School. The children had a great time and had the opportunity to showcase their talents to a very large audience. In addition, almost £2000 was raised for charity. Joining the academy will increase the opportunities for our children to take part in more collaborative events and competitive events in the future.



Healthy Snacks

Throughout the last term, we increasingly noticed pupils regularly having unhealthy snacks at break time. Please remember to give your child something healthy to eat and help to support us in creating good, healthy habits for life for our children. Please remember to send your child with a reusable water bottle too.

Uniform

Please remember that your child can arrive on PE days in their school PE kit (white t-shirt and black shorts or tracksuit.) Not in football kits. I would also like give a reminder that jewellery isn't allowed in school.