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**NEWSLETTER**  
**17**  
**JANUARY 2025**

Spring Term

fun care safe respect learn

**WHOLE SCHOOL**  
**ATTENDANCE FOR THIS WEEK WAS**

**92.2%**



**Punctuality - lost learning**

**10 hrs 35 mins**



## HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear Parents and Carers

The children have been very focused in their work this week. In Class 1 this was the result of a very special delivery by post. Have a look at the photos below to see what arrived. On Wednesday, one of our Year 2 children went in to help Class 1 children with their science work, making and testing windsocks. They really enjoyed running around the playground to test them out.

Class 2 have had an amazing computing week, using algorithms to direct sprites around a setting. They designed some wonderful settings based on The Snow Dragon story which they are studying in literacy. The Class 2 children were heard speaking French and Mandarin Chinese on Thursday afternoon as part of their Jigsaw work. They had to learn how to count in those languages as part of a challenge to reach a goal. They did very well!



As you are aware the government introduced new guidance for schools around attendance in September 2024. As part of this we are obliged to record punctuality of our children. Unfortunately, this week our lates amounted to 10 hours and 35 minutes, that is almost 2 days of lost learning (not including breaktimes and lunch).

Please may I remind you that we register the children at 8.45am and if your child arrives after this time they will be recorded as late. If you are struggling to arrive in time, Breakfast Club is available from 7.40am. I will be sending out some punctuality letters to parents where we have concerns, over the next few days. If you are struggling with the start of day, please come and speak to us for support. I would really like to see our punctuality times reducing. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Sarah Pitt



## IMPORTANT DATES

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** – Class 2 swimming  
**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January** – Class 2 swimming  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February** - Class 2 swimming final session  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February** - Class 1 swimming first session  
**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February—Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February** - Half Term  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February**—Return to School  
**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** – Class 1 swimming  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – Class 1 swimming  
**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March** – Class 1 swimming  
**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March**—Parent meetings

## READING REMINDER

Please ensure after listening to your child read at home their books and reading diaries are returned to their book bags for them to bring to school. We need these in school every day to enable us to listen to readers and swap books. We are also missing a few Read Write Inc books it would be appreciated if you can check if any are hanging about at home and return them as soon as possible. Thank you!



## Parking for School Pick up and Drop off

Unfortunately we have received a call from one of our neighbours to complain about parking. They have been advised by parking enforcement to photograph cars who are blocking access or parking on the kerbs and send them in so that fines can be issued. This includes using the driveway opposite the school as a drop off zone. We would like to avoid this for all parties concerned, so please can I urge you again to use the village hall or church car parks when bringing and collecting your child from school.

Thank you for your co-operation.



**THIS  
WEEK'S  
WINNING  
TEAM IS**

**RED TEAM**





# CLASS 1



We had a special delivery on Monday, penguins from Antarctica!

We made sure our classroom was suitable for them. We added; snow, ice, fish to eat and because penguins like sliding on their tummies we made them slides out of duplo.



Class one made wind socks in our science lesson.



# CLASS 2

This week Class 2 have been working on algorithms on Scratch Jr.



We made our sprite move along the screen.



We made our sprite move along the screen.

We had to use the green flag block to start and a red block to end.



Our 'unplugged' activity was to draw a setting for the story of the Snow Dragon and think about the algorithm you would use to move around.

# Celebrating Success

## REWARDS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that received an award this week.



**Class 1**  
**STAR OF**  
**THE WEEK**



**Class 1**  
**Stars**



**Class 2**  
**STAR OF**  
**THE WEEK**

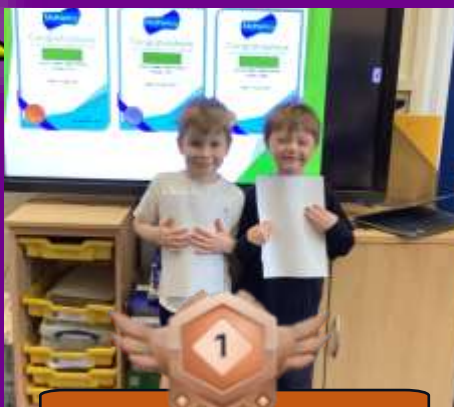


**Class 2**  
**Stars**



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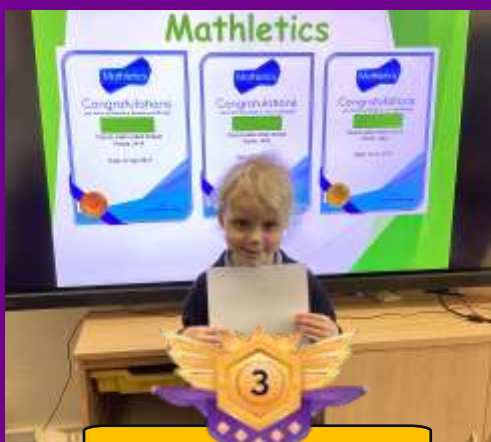
# Mathletics



**BRONZE**



**SILVER**



**GOLD**



**PLATINUM**



**EMERALD**

