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A note from Mrs Lennon

This week I have had the pleasure of having many children coming to my office to show me fantastic work... I have seen great writing, fab Maths and some very creative art work too!

I have loved hearing all about Year 1's trip to Portland Basin yesterday too—it sounds like they had a fab time!

Although one child did tell me that the toys they have these days are "way cooler!" so I don't think there's any chance of them wanting to journey back in time again!



World Book Day

World Book Day yesterday was a great success! The children all had a really fun day celebrating all things reading—lots of them attended a live webinar with Michael Rosen which I believe was fab! We loved seeing some of the costumes too—it always amazes me how creative the children (and you parents!) are on days like this! Thank you for your support with the event—as always, it was lots of fun!

Attendance

**Our school
attendance target is
97%.**

In assembly each Monday, we will share the attendance and the class with the highest attendance will receive a point. The winning class will choose a treat at the end of the half term!



**Attendance
Matters**

Every student. Every day.

**This week our whole
school attendance
was 95.4%**



**And the winning
class this week is
Year 6 (98.1%)
Congratulations!**

Star of the Week

All certificates link to our 6 school values.

*Respect, Kindness, Resilience, Empathy,
Responsibility, Fairness*

Nursery: **Parker Millman** : For great work in Phonics this week. *Responsibility*

Reception: **Benjamin Ayres** : For being a shining star every day in every way! *All 6 values*

Year One: **Harper Hencher** : For always showing *kindness* to others.

Year Two: **Sienna Sharpe-Mulholland** : For being so *resilient* during English.

Year Three : **Darcy Marsland** : For superb *resilience* and determination in Maths!

Year Four : **Liam Spencer** : For smashing his Maths work this week.

Year Five : **Maddie Castille** : For showing *resilience* in Maths. *Responsibility*

Year Six : **Lexie Woods** : For being a fabulously dedicated learner! *Responsibility*

The Hive : **Nathaniel Wignall** : For showing a positive attitude to learning and always trying his best. *Responsibility*.

Schools have been asked by Public Health to support their campaign to remind parents to check that their children's MMR vaccines are all up to date and if needed, the 'catch up' programme is available. See the following page.

Measles Vaccine

Art Week

Your children may have told you about the work they did during our recent Art Week. Our theme was "Made in Manchester" and each class focused on a different artist that had a link to Manchester in some way. We are just putting finishing touches to the displays and then will invite you in to come and see the work. It's fab!

Don't forget...

Please do keep those donations coming in for our OPAL project. Everything is very gratefully received!

measles

Don't let your child catch it

– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

- measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated
- measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill
- your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination
- 2 doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection
- if your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible*
- if you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP
- if you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected

*In response to a local outbreak then the 2 doses can be given one month apart from the age of 18 months.



Answers to some common questions about measles and the MMR vaccine

Why are we seeing these outbreaks of measles?

Measles is a highly infectious disease, spreading quickly from person to person, especially in schools. A child with measles will infect almost all unprotected children they have contact with. Since the end of 2017 there has been an increase in measles globally which has affected the UK. This has resulted in some spread into wider communities, in particular in undervaccinated groups.

When are the MMR vaccinations usually given?

The best times are between 12 and 13 months of age and again at 3 years and 4 months, with one dose on each occasion. But, if your child wasn't vaccinated then, they can be vaccinated at any age with 2 doses one month apart.

Will there be any side effects to the vaccination?

Your child may get the symptoms of measles, mumps and rubella for up to 6 weeks after the vaccination but in a very much milder form. This proves that the vaccine is working and your child is building up resistance to future contact with the viruses that cause the 3 diseases. Not all children show these symptoms but that doesn't mean the vaccine isn't working.

Should parents in outbreak areas get vaccinated against measles?

As with many diseases, once you have had measles, you don't catch it again because you have built up a natural resistance to it. So, if you've had measles or 2 doses of MMR vaccine you do not need to get vaccinated now.

For more information about measles and MMR go to
www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/



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