



Drayton Green Primary School

Newsletter 28.2.25

Whole school attendance = **92.08 %**

The class with the highest attendance is: **4G** with **96.1 %** Well done 4G!

This week our school improvement partner came to visit the school. She did a tour of all of the year groups, watched lessons and spoke to the leadership team about what has been happening in and around the school since her last visit before Christmas. She was very impressed with the changes that she saw across the school, particularly with the phonics groups and with the children's behaviour. She said that there has been lots of progress made so far and she is looking forward to seeing how the curriculum changes have an impact on the learning in her next visit.

We are looking forward to discussing the children's progress and our curriculum changes with you at our parents meetings, which are coming up in two weeks' time. Please make sure that you have signed up for an appointment to meet with your child's teacher and please speak to us if you have any difficulties attending the appointment at the time you are allocated.

We would like to welcome Ms Howard, who will be teaching in 5G from next week. She is joining us as an Assistant Head teacher and will be working with all staff and pupils, but also teaching in 5G. The upcoming parents meetings will give those parents a chance to meet Ms Howard and discuss the curriculum and progress moving forward.

Certificate winners

Well done to all the children who were awarded a certificate in assembly this week for staying on TRRAC for their behaviour, attitudes and learning

Dates to remember

Thursday 6th March – world book day - dress up as your favourite book character

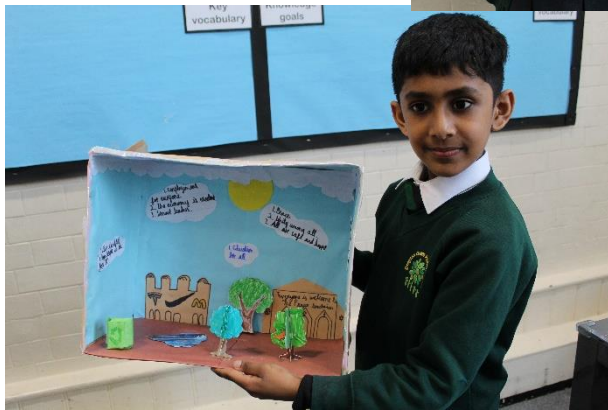
Tuesday 11th March – KS2 Parents evening – Year 3, 4, 5 and 6

Wednesday 12th March – EYFS/KS1 Parents evening – Reception, Year 1 and 2

Thursday 14th March – science fair – whole school science focus.

Science fair projects

We have had some projects in already for our Science fair and they look amazing! If you haven't finished your project yet then don't panic, there is still time. Please bring it in to show your teachers and we will pick a selection to represent their year groups in the upcoming Science fair on Thursday 14th March.

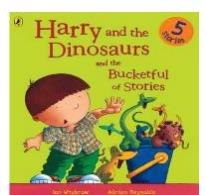
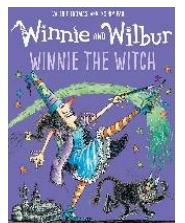
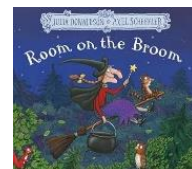


World book day

Next Thursday is world book day. Although we know that reading is very important every day, this is a special day for us to explore different types of books with the children and help to encourage a love of reading. This year we will be doing different activities in class around the theme **read your way**. We are also encouraging the children to come to school on Thursday dressed as their favourite book character. The children do not need new or expensive costumes, please try to be creative and make a mask or wear the same colours as their favourite character if they do not have a costume.

Here are some easy costume ideas:

- Wear blue and put a bandage on your head – *Mr Bump*
- Carry some toy dinosaurs in a bucket – *Harry and his bucketful of dinosaurs*
- Wear all one colour and come as a crayon – *The day the crayons quit*
- Re-use a Halloween costume, e.g. for a witch or skeleton story
- They could also bring the book or a toy from the story instead if they don't want to dress up



Parent workshops

Our school therapeutic lead, Tasmin is very kindly running some parent support groups that everyone is welcome to attend.

This group is aimed at supporting children that have any additional needs and who may need a bit of extra support. The group will offer parents/carers the chance to ask questions and get support with strategies or ideas to try at home that may make routines easier or help to avoid anxiety and upsets at home.

The sessions alternate between mornings and afternoons to help to accommodate different working hours or appointments.

You are welcome to attend all, some or even just one session if you feel it may help you and your child/ren.

Each session will be 45 minutes long and we will provide tea, coffee and biscuits.

The sessions are on Thursdays:

6th March – 14:30 pm

13th March – 9:00 am

20th March – 14:30 pm

27th March – 9:00 am

3rd April – 14:30 pm

Parent survey

We recently sent out a survey to all parents as we are looking into how we can support our families with breakfast clubs and other food schemes. Unfortunately the cost of everything is continually increasing, which has a huge impact on our children and we want to see if there are other ways that we can help.

This survey is completely anonymous so we will not know who has answered the questions but please answer honestly so we can offer the help if it is required. If you feel you would like or need additional support or advice or are struggling at home, please speak to us and we will see how we can support you further!

You can access the survey here:

<https://s.surveymonkey.com/1ydn8zix>

Changes to the start of the school day

Thank you to all of the parents, carers and children who have adapted well to the change in the start of the school day. We appreciate that there have been some challenges with weather and traffic but we have seen an improvement already in the punctuality across the school, which is vital to ensuring that the children are not missing out on any of their learning time.

Please make sure that you stay with your child on the playground or to ask another parent to keep an eye on your child until the teachers arrive to bring the children in to school if you need to wait with a younger child.

The children do not need to line up until the bell has been rung, however they must stay with or near you until they line up. Please be aware that there are lots of people around at this time, including small children and buggies, so please remind your child to walk and play safely with others at this time.

Children are not allowed to ride scooters or bikes on the school site before or after school! We have seen children riding scooters with lollypops in their mouths, please make sure your children know that this is a choking hazard and can be very dangerous!