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## VACANCIES: Please see our latest vacancy on our <u>website</u>. All applications are done directly through My New Term.

## **CHILDREN:**

#### Class Attendance winner

Congratulations to 3Anning class for achieving 97.8% class attendance this week! Every child in this class will receive 2 house points.

### **Class Teacher Awards**

Nursery - Justin, Lloyd Webber - Yashal, Zimmer - Abel, Beckham - Charlotte, Bolt - Theadora, Rosen - Gabi, Potter - Ayaanshi, Anning - Lilianna, Attenborough - Zain, Banksy - Sam, O'Keeffe - Phillip.

### Student achievements

Well done to Alessia in Year 3 who gained a white belt in Karate and Kickboxing. A great achievement.

### TTRockstars

Well done to 3Anning and 4Banksy classes for being this week's winners. Keep up the great work!

#### <u>OPAL</u>

The children have really enjoyed the new stage area. It was especially great to see pupils perform their own talent show earlier in the week.

The next area we would like to design is a mud kitchen! If you have any old pots and pans that we can use please do donate them via the office. Thanks for your on-going support with this project.

#### 2Beckham assembly

Beckham class assembly will take place after Easter. We will communicate the new date to you via email in the new term. Thank you for your patience with this matter.

## Whole of Year 2 performance to parents 27/3

Year 2 are very excited to share their assembly with their parents next week! On Wednesday 27th March please come to the main office area at 9.05am ready for the performance to begin at 9.15am.

## 4 O'Keeffe swimming on the last day of term

4 O'Keeffe class will be going swimming <u>as usual</u> on Wednesday 27th March. As school finishes at 1:30pm on that day, O'Keeffe children are to be collected at 1:50pm from outside Dunstable Leisure Centre by their parent/carer. Children attending Kidzone after school club will be walked back to school by the teachers and taken to the club.

## Culture Day - 18/4

We are excited to announce that we will be celebrating Culture Day on Thursday 18th April 2024. Culture Day is an opportunity for students to engage with and educate themselves about different cultures from around the world, and to promote tolerance. On this day, children can come into school dressed in their traditional attire and wear appropriate footwear for playtimes. This can be something with their countries flag on.

There will be a food market set up in the hall on this day between 3:30pm-5:30pm. Pupils can visit the market with their parents during these times to try different foods from around the world. We would appreciate it if families could donate packaged snacks and/or soft drinks from their native country. Please label these foods with

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their country of origin so that we can easily group the items. Please give any donated foods/drinks to your child's class teacher by no later than Wednesday 27th March 2024.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you for your continued support.

#### **Big Walk and Wheel**

Well done to all the pupils who walked and scooted in school over the past couple of weeks. We have been collecting the data in our classes and will share the results with you next week. By walking, scooting and biking to school, children are helping to look after the environment as well as get some exercise in the morning. Exercise in the morning is proven to help 'wake up' the brain so that children are ready to learn.

#### Makaton signs

Here are some Makaton signs which you can learn with your child at home. We are repeating the signs from last week.

#### Love Art and Craft Art Club booking is open: Year 2-4

Art Club on a Tuesday after school (3.15-4.15pm) will shortly be available to book for next half term. If you would like to sign up your child you can book via this link <u>here</u>.



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#### Street Dance Club: Reception - Y4

Booking is now open for Street Dance classes for Reception to Year 4 on a Tuesday lunchtime for next half term, this is available to book with Christina Marks School of Performing Arts through their website <u>here</u>.



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## PARENTS:

#### FOILS PTA

#### Easter Bake Sale

What an amazing turnout for our bake sale today. Thank you to our parents and staff who volunteered to bake for this event. All the money raised will go back into supporting the children.

#### **Spring Movie Nights**

We will be holding an after school movie night the first week back after the Easter break. Details of how you can book for this will be sent out early next week.

#### Kidzzone Holiday Club

Please see <u>flyer</u> showing details of the fun holiday club available to book with Kidzzone during the Easter holidays.

#### Parents evenings and reports

Mid-year reports will be loaded onto Arbor today, Friday 22 March by 4pm. These will give information about progress and next steps in their learning. See email sent today for further details.

The next Meet and Engage session for current Nursery will be afternoon Tuesday 26 March and morning Wednesday 27 March. See emails sent 15/3 for full information.

Parent consultations evenings for Reception to Year 4 will be on Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 April. Please see the email sent today, 22nd March for further details.

Key Dates for Term 2	Subscribe to the calendar on the website to sync dates to your phone. Subscribe here
w/c 25th March	Week 2 menu, found <u>here</u> on our website
Tuesday 26th March	Nursery Meet and Engage open session for afternoon children (see above)
Wednesday 27th March	LAST DAY OF TERM - school closes at 1.30pm except for 4 O'Keeffe swimmers (see above) Nursery Meet and Engage open session for morning children (see above) Whole Year 2 performance to parents at 9.15am (see above)
Thursday 28th March	SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY
Friday 29th March	SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY (GOOD FRIDAY)
Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 12th April	SCHOOL CLOSED - EASTER HOLIDAYS
Monday 15th April	All children return to school at 08.45am
WC: 15.4	FOILS SPRING Movie nights
Wednesday 17th April	Parent Teacher Meeting evenings - Rec - Y4 - 3.30pm until 5.30pm
Thursday 18th April	Culture Day (see above) Parent Teacher Meeting evenings - Rec - Y4 - 4pm until 7pm
Thursday 25th April - Thursday 2nd May	Maths open lessons for parents - more information to follow
Monday 29th April	Year 4 Air Quality Day (more information to follow)
Monday 6th May	SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY

#### Term Dates for 23-24 see: DILS

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Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May SCHOOL CLOSED - May Half Term



In App. messages/emails sent home this week PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S ARBOR RECORD

Attachments

a. KR Football and Sports Camp





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