

## Newsletter – February 2020



Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to the February newsletter. It has been a very busy half-term with lots of fun activities to keep us busy.

### Holiday and term time dates

Copied on the reverse of this newsletter is our list of term time and holiday dates for 2020/21. This may be useful for forward planning. Staff training days for 2020/21 are Tuesday 1st September 2020, Monday 4th January, Monday 19th July 2021 and Tuesday 20th July 2021. These dates are fixed in consultation with, and are the same as, Blue Coat Junior School. School will be closed to pupils on these days. **The remaining staff training day for 2019/20 is Friday 22nd May 2020. School is closed on this day also.**

### Reading

We want to develop and foster a lifelong love of reading with our children. We are currently looking at ways to improve the resources and opportunities we offer them. If you haven't tried 'Reading Buddy' yet why don't you give it a go. School has recently purchased new decodable reading books and we are currently resourcing more. Could we please ask that reading books are not damaged or written in and that water bottles are not carried in book bags alongside them. Thank you for your support.

### Money

A polite reminder that all money sent to school should be in an envelope with your child's name and class clearly labelled. Thank you.

### Olympic Visit

The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit by Danielle Brown and it was encouraging to see the amazing efforts the children went to raise money for their sponsors. In total the event raised £1,813.

**Attendance this Half Term**                      Whole School Overall - 96.99% Well done!

Reception	97.35%	Year 1	96.69%	Year 2	96.93%
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### Dates for Your Diary

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February - School returns

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - 'Zumba Kids' in school (Classes 5 and 6)

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March - 2.30pm PTA meeting in school

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March - Reception Audio Tests 1

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March - Reception Audio Tests 2

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March - PTA Movie Night

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Parents Evening 1

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March - Class 4 Dance Festival at Gala Theatre (am)

- Parents Evening 2

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Year 1 to Hardwick Park

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April - Year 2 Multi-skills (pm)

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Easter Activities / PTA Easter Fair. Break up for Easter holidays.

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Children return to school.**

We wish you all a relaxing half-term break and look forward to the many activities planned for the next half.

With very best wishes

Mrs L Frazer (Acting) Headteacher