

## Weekly Newsletter: 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

*Our value this term is Success.*

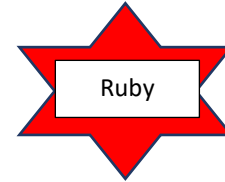
### Nursery Intake – April 2024

If you have a child who will be three before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 and would like them to attend our nursery from April, please call into the office for an admission form.



### Team Points Weekly Winners

Congratulations this week goes to:



Well done to everyone for earning their team points this week. There are always team points ready for anyone showing our values and following our Golden Rules.



### New Term Reminders:

**Parking** - We ask again that people drive and park responsibly and legally when dropping off and collecting children for school to keep all of our community safe.

**Hair** - which is longer than shoulder length should be tied back at all times when the children are in school.

**Jewellery** - only a watch and stud earrings should be worn in school no other jewellery should be worn.

#### **Dogs, Bikes and Scooters-**

To keep everyone safe, it is important the children do not ride their bikes and scooters inside the school grounds.

Dogs are not allowed on the playground (unless carried at all times).

### ★ Mrs Barlow's Handwriting Heroes ★

**Nursery Turtles** – Myla

**Reception Penguins** – Felicity & Seb

**Year 1 Dolphins** – Junior & Joshua

**Year 2 Pandas** – Millie-Ann & Giovanna

**Year 3 Leopards** – Hunter & Michalis

**Year 4 Jaguars** – Liam & Callum

**Year 5 Tigers** – Harry & Lola

**Year 6 Lions** – Liam & Arabella

The children all received a certificate and enjoyed choosing a prize.

### Weekly Attendance

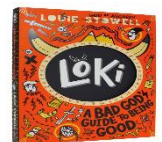
Our weekly attendance target is 97%

Class	Percentage
KV Penguins	86%
KV Dolphins	94.5%
KV Pandas	90.4%
KV Leopards	92.3%
KV Jaguars	94.6%
KV Tigers	87.8%
KV Lions	96.5%
Overall, School Percentage Attendance	91.7%

*Classes who reach 97% or above will be rewarded with an attendance party on Friday afternoon. Holidays in term time will not be authorised and penalties may be issued.*

### Book Review:

**Loki: A Bad God's Guide to Being Good** by Louie Stowell  
Perfect for fans of *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* and Tom Gates, Stowell's new series presents the doodle-heavy diary of trickster god Loki after he is banished to Earth in the body of an eleven-year-old boy. A great introduction to Greek mythology and ideal for reluctant readers.



### Dates for your diary

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** – NSPCC Number Day.

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February** – Internet Safety Day.

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February** – Aspirations Day.

*More information to follow.*

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February** – Break up for half term (Normal finish)

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February** – School reopens:

Breakfast Club from 7:45am

Nursery door opens at 8.30am

Reception to Year 6: Classroom doors open from 8:40am

## Class Curriculum Information

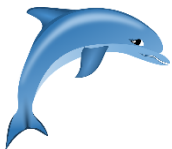
Homework information is on class Seesaw. For more curriculum information see school website.



This week Nursery Turtles enjoyed sharing the story 'Owl Babies', they used props to retell the story. We also created a 'Bat Cave' in our classroom. The children have been learning about nocturnal animals.



This week Reception Penguins enjoyed sharing the story 'Owl Babies', they used props to retell the story. The children discussed the sequence of the story. The children have been working hard on their handwriting skills. They have been practising making their letters sit on the line.



This week in Year 1 Dolphins, we have been learning about the physical features of the United Kingdom. In Maths we have been estimating, ordering and comparing numbers. In English we have been exploring the text 'Grandpa's Gift'. In Science we have explored seasonal changes of an apple tree.



This week in Year 2 Pandas, the children have been learning all about Coastlines in the UK. This week they have identified human and physical features of the UK and used a map to identify symbols and keys of the coastal town Whitby.



This week in Year 3 Leopards, we have enjoyed locating volcanoes around the world using longitude and latitude, identifying the four types of volcanoes and then creating fact files about some of these including Mt Etna. We also enjoyed using newton meters to perform an experiment measuring forces around our classroom!



Year 4 Jaguars have thoroughly enjoyed their new Pathways book, 'Escape from Pompeii' and are learning all about volcanoes and how they erupt.



This week Year 5 Tigers have been learning about Picasso and creating some fabulous cubist portraits. We have begun a new module in Maths, focusing on multiplication and division and have been practising our tables on TT Rockstars! We have been learning all about seasonality in our new Geography topic, 'Sow, Grow and Farm.'



Year 6 Lions have been very busy with group investigations and challenges this week, we have used data loggers to record the brightness of a bulb in an electrical circuit using different voltages. We have also worked hard in groups to design a bridge using our knowledge of strengthening materials, we were amazed at how strong our bridge designs were, some of them holding over 100 2p coins!!