



West Road PRIMARY SCHOOL



Friday 15th January 2016

Star of the Week

This week our Stars of the Week are:

- Butterflies** - Layla Thompson
- Caterpillars** - Carson Burkinshaw
- Ladybirds** - Noah Hames
- Orangutans** - Travis Fox
- Elephants** - Olivia-Rose Smith
- Seals** - Mehitabel Osunbor
- Lions** - Sophie-Mai Clarke
- Tigers** - Macie Featherstone
- Giraffes** - Rjay Macdonald
- Pandas** - Riley Crompton
- Meerkats** - Lilly-Anne Feirn
- Lemurs** - Sophie Robinson
- Penguins** - Joseph Phillips
- Owls** - Megan Ainsley



Attendance

If your child is too unwell to come to school, please phone the office to let us know. **Remember:** We need a reason for every absence within 48 hours or your child's absence will be unauthorised. Thank you to all parents who call in to report their child's absence!

The class this week with the best attendance is Ladybirds with 100%! The class with the best attendance so far this year is Lions with 98%. The overall attendance for the whole school from September stands at 95.7%. This week's attendance is 97.5%. Well done to the 293 children who achieved 100% attendance this week, 63 of these children have 100% attendance since September. And finally, congratulations to Denis Simonfi from Meerkats class who is our weekly attendance winner!

Reception Admissions for September 2016

If your child is 4 years old before 01 September 2016 you should have already applied for a school place. If you haven't, the closing date is today, **Friday 15 January**. Please contact Mrs Essex in the school office as a matter of urgency if you need any assistance with this.

NSPCC

As you may be aware, the NSPCC are running a campaign to help keep your child safe from abuse. It's called 'Talk PANTS and you've got it covered'. PANTS is a really easy way for you to explain the Underwear Rule to your child:

- **P**rivates are private
- **A**lways remember your body belongs to you
- **N**o means no
- **T**alk about secrets that upset you
- **S**peak up, someone can help

For more information, please visit their website at www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule

Reception Assembly

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the Reception assembly on Tuesday. The children's singing and knowledge about space was amazing. Parents also had the chance to ask Mrs Heneghan and Miss Lambert any questions they had about how to help their children's learning. Well done to all concerned.

Partnership

The partnership between parents and school is vital to ensure the happiness of our children and improve their achievement. We are always keen to embrace your ideas and suggestions. As a result of a request from the Parent Working Party, we issued the newsletter giving key dates for the term - available in paper form in the school entrance and also on the website. We now have a parent/carer suggestion box in the school entrance - so please feel free to submit any good ideas you might have about how we can improve our provision. Your support is very much appreciated.



Diary Dates w/c 18th January 2016

Tuesday 19th	Young Voices at Sheffield Arena
Wednesday 20th	Year 1 visit to Eureka!
Thursday 21st	Hub coffee morning and free bacon sandwiches 9am – 10am

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