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## Newsletter 28th January 2022



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# HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

Our assembly this week celebrated the life of Robert Burns and focused on Burn's Night celebrations. Children learnt all about the special meal people enjoy as well as some interesting facts about Haggis, including some strange world records!

Focusing on a famous poet links in well with our current school focus on reading. As a school, we work hard to promote a love of reading and daily reading opportunities happen in every class. Our GoRead app is an excellent tool for school to monitor both independent and shared reading which is happening at home. Please continue to use the app to record your child's reading and if you have any difficulties, do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher who will be happy to support you.

This week, our School Council met to discuss the school library and generate ideas on how we can improve it. We want to create a vibrant, reading space where children are excited to go and choose books as well as read stories.

Please continue to share that love of reading with your children – reading is the building block to all learning in school.

Wishing you a restful weekend

**Mrs J Lewry**  
**Headteacher**

## HOUSE WINNER

The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

1st Azul 190  
2nd Zolty 189  
3rd Laal 146  
4th Verde 128

***Congratulations AZUL!***

## Easter Holiday Fun Time at Dragon Club

Booking forms now available  
from the Dragon Club.  
Forms to be returned by  
Friday 11th March.



## Dress Up to Show Up!

On **Friday 11th February**,  
we will be holding our first House  
charity event for Azul.

**"Dress Up to Show Up!"**  
will be the theme with children  
donating £1.00 cash to wear neon or  
bright clothes to school.

All money raised will be donated to  
Brake – the road safety charity.  
Throughout the day, the children will  
take part in a range of exciting  
activities linked to road  
safety and transport.

Azul House Captains  
will capture the day by  
creating their own scrapbook  
of the event.

## This Week's Teacher Achievement and PSHE Awards

	ACHIEVEMENT	PSHE
<b>Wisteria</b>	Erick Bancu	Oliver Lee Brennan
<b>Cherry</b>	Emily Opanowicz	Bright Ninson
<b>Oak</b>	Clementine Raven	Nathan Newing
<b>Ash</b>	Sham Alharbat	Leah Fairchild
<b>Hawthorn</b>	Kiaan Solanky	Alexis Tingay
<b>Juniper</b>	Aleighta-Mae Terry	Luke McCourt
<b>Maple</b>	Jacky Elliot	Molly Chaplin
<b>Acer</b>	Ana Souza	Alfie Brown
<b>Redwood</b>	Oliver Bickerton	Daisy Pollard
<b>Cedar</b>	Lewis Wiggins	Oscar Lord
<b>Sport</b>	JJ Mercer and Logan Goddard	



### Y6 Leavers Fundraising Programme

We are excited to announce the beginning of the Year 6 fundraising programme with a weekly after school snack shop starting on the **4<sup>th</sup> February** with a selection of small sweets and treats.

Please remember to bring your change and please look out for other exciting events coming soon.



### Spring Term Dates

**Spring Term 3:**  
5th January to 18th February 2022

**Half Term:**  
21st February to 25th February 2022

**Spring Term 4:**  
28th February to 7th April 2022

**Inset Day**  
8th April 2022

### Attendance

This week's attendance is 89.17%, which is unfortunately down on last week's attendance of 91.39%.





# CHILDREN'S AMAZING WORK AND ACHIEVEMENTS



Acer pupils drew some pictures in Art, looking at camouflage and sketching.

Lui and Coral followed the woman in the green vest. She took them out of the hall and walked them over the road, down a path and to a wooden house. She knocked. Lui and Coral looked down. There was no answer so they walked them past the log building and to a row of houses. Knock. That's what they heard over and over and over. Rejected. Rejected, over and over and over. She had one more idea in mind. They passed the log house again and turned left down a mucky path and reached a barn. Knock, knock, knock. The door creaked open.

*Historical narrative writing by Stella, based on Goodnight Mister Tom*

This week the children in Wisteria have continued their woodwork lessons. Last week they learnt about how to safely use a hammer before undertaking this with Mrs Neale. This week we learnt how to safely use a screwdriver! They particularly enjoyed testing the battery powered screwdriver and hearing the noise it made.



This week, Redwood class completed science experiments looking at the processes of osmosis and diffusion. In the skittles experiment, the colour of the skittles represents the nutrients in our bodies being broken down and absorbed. This process is called diffusion.

*By Oliver from Redwood Class*



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