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# Headteacher's Newsletter

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## Attendance & Punctuality

The winner of the attendance award this week was Year 4 and Year 6 with 100%

The winner of the punctuality award this week was Year 1

School Target: 96%

School Attendance today: 94.7%

PLEASE REMEMBER WE DO NOT AUTHORISE HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

## Welcome Back!

I hope that you all had a good half term break and managed to get some family time. We have hit the ground running this week as we entered Fairtrade Fortnight upon our return to school. Fairtrade has been at the heart of our learning this week as all classes have been learning about the impact of this great cause. On Wednesday we held our annual Fairtrade Bake Off and we were very excited to welcome Stockport's Mayor who judged the contest along with Mrs Poppleton and Darren from the Co-op. It was an excellent event. All entries used as many Fairtrade ingredients as possible to produce some yummy cakes and biscuits.

Also this week Year 2 braved the weather and went to not only one farm but two farms as part of their habitats and lifecycles science topic. They really enjoyed learning about many animals and where they live.

## Goodbye Mrs Wilks!

Today sadly, after 13 years at Outwood, we said a fond farewell to Mrs Wilks. She has been an integral part of the Outwood team and has been there to welcome you, help children when they have had a bump and most of all ensure that the school runs smoothly behind the scenes in the office. We will all miss Mrs Wilks dearly, however we wish her well on her new venture as a Business Manager which is a role that she definitely deserves.

## Class Assemblies

This term each class would like to share what they have been learning with you. We will begin with the FS2 class on Tuesday 31st March. Each assembly will last for approximately 30 minutes or less and will begin at 9.10am. There is so much great learning taking place that we thought that this would be a good way to share this with you all. Please see the school website for dates of all the other class assemblies.

## Parent's Forum

Thank you to all who attended our last Parent's Forum. It was a very productive meeting as we discussed ways to further develop communication with yourself by bringing all of the platforms together in one app. We also looked at the Parent's Forum section on the school website which we will be trialling soon. It was also exciting to share that the school will be investing in some new reading books. The next meeting will be on Thursday 28th May at 2pm. Please come along if you can.

## We love to read!

Next week we will be celebrating books and stories as part of our Communication, Language and Literacy Week. We will begin the week with visitors from Manchester Airport reading stories to each class, they are kindly donating a book for every child too. On Thursday the children are invited to come to school in their pyjamas with a favourite bedtime story. This is to celebrate 'World Book Day'. We thought that this was a cost effective idea as no costumes would be needed as in previous years. **Due to World Book Day we have moved "Thumbs Up Thursday" to 19th March at the same time.**

## PTA Movie Night

The PTA are holding a movie night for the children on Friday 6th March which is a change to the original date. This will begin at 3.30pm in the school hall. The film is 'Aladdin' and entry is £3 which includes a snack and a drink.