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Headteacher's Newsletter

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Attendance & Punctuality

The winner of the attendance award this week was Year 6 with 98%

The winner of the punctuality award this week was Year 6

School Target: 96%

School Attendance today: 94.8%

PLEASE REMEMBER WE DO NOT AUTHORISE HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Yesterday the government stepped up their response to Coronavirus COVID-19 and is now in the delay phase. Following this update and guidance, Outwood will **remain open** until advised otherwise. However, in line with population measures, we are cancelling assemblies and any events such as 'Thumbs Up Thursday' and our 'Mother's Day Tea' until further notice. At this time parents evening will go ahead as planned as this is outside of the school day and will be a one to one meeting. Hopefully you received my letter that I sent out last week advising you of the precautions that we are making in relation to the Coronavirus. We will continue to promote good hand washing and hygiene routines with children as put forward by Public Health England.

Public Health England (PHE) is the body through whom all of the latest guidance and information is being produced and distributed. We have been advised to include links to the resources rather than producing our own or downloading information produced by others. This means that the latest information will be available through the links rather than school needing to update already downloaded information as and when new information becomes available. Here is the link to the latest resources guidance and advice contained at https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response.

We have included more information on the school website in the 'News' section and as a 'news item' on each class page. The advice so far is that no school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless directed to do so by Public Health England. Personal hygiene is the most important way we can tackle COVID-19. Please help us in sharing simple and effective hand hygiene messages.

If there are any changes that will impact upon the school or our children we will inform you as soon as possible.

Water Bottles

Please can you make sure that you send your child into school with a full water bottle every day. We want our children to be fully hydrated with fresh drinking water as this will not only help keep them healthy but will support them in their learning. Please only send in reusable water bottles as single use plastics can breed bacteria.

Dogs!

Just a reminder that dogs are not to be brought on to school grounds. This includes the far field between Outwood and Oakgrove Primary School. This is to safeguard our children who use these areas.

Finally....

To end on a positive note the children are still enjoying their learning in school and having lots of fun along the way. Last week's CLL week was a success, as we celebrated reading stories. The children really enjoyed coming to school in their pyjamas on World Book Day with a favourite bed time story. Our book swap was a huge success too. Also, thank you to all who supported the PTA movie night. We raised over £235.00 for our children.

Thank you as always for your continued support!