

Spring Term – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February



# School Newsletter



Welcome from the  
**Headteacher**



On Monday last week we had our Lockdown Practice and were so proud of all children and staff for their calm response to the alarm. Staff have further training on this at the beginning of next half term and then we will have another practice with the children. Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our Feedback Forum on Thursday. It was great to hear what you think is working well and your ideas for how we can make school even better. We're looking forward to seeing you at our **Community Health and Wellbeing Event** on **Friday 17th February** here at Chapel Street. This week is Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week with a theme of 'Let's Connect'. All children will be learning more about this in class and we're excited to see everyone 'Dress to Express' on Friday.

# Children's Mental Health Week 2023...



The 6 to 12th of February is Children's Mental Health Week, and the theme this year is 'Lets Connect'.

Chapel Street will be taking part in Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week, which is taking place this week from **6th – 10th February**. This is an opportunity for us to **raise awareness** about children's mental health and encourage our young people to recognise and talk about their emotions.

The children will be taking part in special activities in class throughout the week. In addition, we would like to invite all children to use clothing and colour to **"Dress to Express" on Friday 10th February**. Outfits can be as simple or elaborate as the children like, and will provide an opportunity for the children to express themselves and celebrate diversity.

You can find information, resources support and videos here:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

You also have the option to click the **DONATE** button directly on their website if you're able to.



## Parent and Community Events...

We would like to say a huge **“Thank you”** to the parents/carers who joined us on Thursday last week for our parent forum. It was great to welcome you into school and hear your thoughts about what you feel we’re doing right, and what you’d like to see more of – watch this space!

COME AND JOIN US at our “Health and Wellbeing Event” here at school on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February, 1.30pm – 3pm**. We will have local people from the community joining us, and lots of information available.... more information coming soon!



### Fact of the week:

Mrs Hughes’ Fact of the Week this week is:

**What is the difference between a carnivore and a herbivore? Challenge: Draw a food chain that includes at least one omnivore.**

### Word of the week:

Mrs Pilling’s ‘word of the week’ this week is:

## Superfluous

*What do you think it means?  
How would you use it in a sentence?*

## National Numeracy Parent Workshop...

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February (tomorrow!) 9am – 10am in the school gym hall.**  
**COME AND JOIN US! All parents and carers welcome!**



Our children have been using National Numeracy’s Family Maths scrapbooks – and now there are more ways for parents and carers to get involved, with a workshop about developing positive attitudes towards maths.

**Please wait in the KS2 back playground after dropping off your child and Mr Heath will come to collect you.**

## STARS OF THE WEEK

1a: Eisa      2a: Whole class!      3a: Whole class!      4a: Whole class!      5a: Whole class!      6a: Whole class!  
1b: Rikaya      2b: Whole class!      3b: Whole class!      4b: Whole class!      5b: Whole class!      6b: Whole class!  
1c: Hussnain      2c: Ava Cery      3c: Whole class!      4c: Whole class!      5c: Whole class!      6c: Whole class!

## KS1 Reading Stars...

**1a: Yaro    1b: Alyan    1c: Amal    2a: Whole class!    2b: Whole class!    2c: Anayah**



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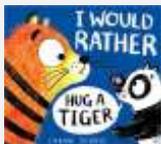
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## Assembly Reading...

Well done to Sadiyah, Shawaiz and Ain in 5C, who read our story to the whole school in assembly on Monday. They chose, "I Would Rather Hug a Tiger"

by Lorna Scobie. The book is about a panda cub who doesn't want to brush his teeth!



## Attendance...

Reception	KS1	KS2
RA – 85.4%	1 <sup>st</sup> 2A 96.0%	1 <sup>st</sup> 3A 97.3%
RB – 89.3%	2 <sup>nd</sup> 2C 95.6%	2 <sup>nd</sup> 4B 96.3%
RC – 84.0%	3 <sup>rd</sup> 2B 87.5%	3 <sup>rd</sup> 6A 96.1%

## School Gateway – Parent/Carer Communication...

We have now been successfully using School Gateway for a whole year to communicate quickly and effectively with our families via email, text and app messages. We've received some very positive feedback from our families and would like to continue sending you school updates, information and communication - **but we can't do this without your help!**

Please follow this link here to register and download the app for **FREE**:

<https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/register>

\*\*You will need to use the phone number that school has on record for you to register - if the number or email is not recognised, please contact school office.

### Schoolgateway



You've made a great start with registering so far, let's see if we can reach 50% registered and app downloads by the end of half term!!



## Dates for your Diary...

### February

- w/c 6<sup>th</sup> Feb – Children's Mental Health Week
- Thu 9<sup>th</sup> Feb – National Numeracy Workshop
- Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Feb – Dress to Impress (non-uniform day)
- Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Feb – Valentine's Day
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Feb – Safer Internet Day assembly Y5
- Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Feb – Community health & wellbeing event for parents
- 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term Week

### March

- Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Mar – Secondary school national offer day
- Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar – World Book Day
- Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar – Community reading event for parents
- Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Mar – International Women's Day
- Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Mar – Mothering Sunday
- w/c 13<sup>th</sup> Mar – British Science Week
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Mar – Red Nose day
- Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Mar – EYFS Open Day
- Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Mar – St Patrick's Day
- w/c 20<sup>th</sup> Mar – Parent's Evenings (Rec-Y6) and Parent Meetings (Nursery)
- w/c 27<sup>th</sup> Mar – KS2 mock SATS week

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