



Weekly Newsletter – 11th March 2022

It has been another busy week at The Reddings.

This week we have had our visit from our Hertfordshire Improvement Partner and it has been lovely to show him around the school. The focus has been on reading and we were pleased to be able to share with him the new Book Bag Books that align closely with the phonics sounds being taught in class each week.



The children were able to demonstrate how they are able to read them by themselves and were excited to talk about the progress that they are making.

On that note, please can I remind you to ensure that your children bring their books in every day.

I was so proud of how confidently and articulately all of the children were able to talk and share their learning. Well done to all the staff and children for making it a really positive experience.

Attendance for the past few weeks has been a concern and we continue to be significantly below the Government's attendance expectations of 96%, as our whole school attendance is 93.8%.

We need to get children back into good attendance habits so please make sure that they come to school unless they are really too ill to be here.

Today we say goodbye to the chicks in Reception. The children have loved getting to see them hatch and grow. It has been lovely getting to have cuddles with them this week now that they are bigger and stronger. We will miss them a lot but the children have gained so much from having them here.



Mrs Fleet

We know that our pupils are aware of the situation in Ukraine due to the extensive news coverage of the and that it may, understandably, be causing some of them to be worried or confused.

In school, where some classes watch Newsround, teachers are mindful to talk carefully to the children about what is shown, and to offer them reassurance.

Children in Years 1-6 had Phase assemblies this week where the focus was on what to do if you have a worry and to think of who they can talk to about their worries.

Please click on the following links if you would like guidance on how to speak to your child about the current situation:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/13865002>

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/blogs/2022/how-to-talk-to-children-about-war>

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/blog/top-tips-for-talking-to-your-young-person-about-the-events-in-ukraine/>

If there are any particular issues that we need to be aware of, please do let us know.

Mrs E Murphy

Assistant Head for Inclusion.

Awards of the Week

Sports Performer of the Week

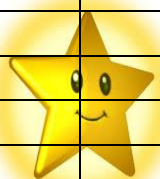
The Whole Football Team

Attendance of the Week

Year 4

Stars of the Week

Year 1	Isiah
Year 2	Aishvi
Year 3	John
Year 4	Leo
Year 5	Zayne
Year 6	Jasmine



Arbor.

We are pleased that the transition to our new computer system (Arbor) is nearly complete. This means that all emails will now be sent via Arbor so do ensure that you have registered and logged in.

New School Dates

Please see new school dates in the calendar below.

Key Dates

Thursday 24 th March	Non School Uniform day – bring an Easter egg to School
Friday 25 th March	Mother's Day Sale
Tuesday 29 th and Wednesday 30 th March	Parent Consultations (Nursery –Wednesday only)
Friday 1 st April	Easter Egg Tombola
Thursday 21 st April	Class Photos
Tuesday 26 th April	Young Voices
Tuesday 3 rd May 2021	Year 4 and 5 Trip to Kew Gardens
Thursday 19 th May 2021	NHS Health Screening in Reception
Monday 13 th to Thursday 16 th June 2021	Year 5/6 Residential Trip to Tolmers Scout Camp

Term Dates for 2022

Last Day of Spring Term

Easter Holiday

Spring Term 2022

Friday 1st April 2022 – finish at 1.30 pm

Monday 4th April 2022 to Monday 18th April 2022