



NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th February
2022

A message from Mrs Bendelow ...

Another brilliant week at Diamond Hall! The children have all worked hard to show the value of the week - empathy. This has certainly been seen around school. It has also been Children's Mental Health Week and the theme has been 'Growing Together'. The children have completed short activities every day to promote positive feelings and on Wellbeing Wednesday, they were introduced to the 30 task challenge. The children have been challenged to see how many activities they can tick off on the challenge sheet. These can be carried out over the weekend and on Monday they will be able to share how many tasks they managed. Who will be the winning class? We will find out next Wellbeing Wednesday.



**GROWING
TOGETHER**

Important messages

Yes – We are a healthy school and promote nutritious diets, therefore we must remind you that sweets/chocolates and fizzy pop will be confiscated if they are brought into school and returned at the end of the school day.

Start and finish times – Just a helpful reminder about our school day timings,

Y6 and Y3 8:40– 3:05

Y5 and Y4 8:45 – 3:10

Dates for your diary:

Friday 18th February	Half term
Thursday 3rd of March	World Book Day – more information to follow
Monday 7th February – Friday 11th February	British Science Week
Easter crafts	Information to be shared soon!

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Let's take a look at what our Y5's have been up to this week...

In English, we have been learning about modal verbs. We have learned that they are auxiliary verbs which cannot usually work alone. They are used with a main verb. Modal verbs can make questions by inversion and can be used to show how possible something is, or how likely it is to happen/have happened. We went into the hall this lesson and took part in Active English. We organised words and phrases into nouns, adjectives, verbs, and modal verbs in groups.





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School Attendance

It is imperative that pupils attend school regularly and that they are on time. We aim for **97% attendance and no late sessions**. Here's how attendance looks across school this week – keep an eye out for our attendance winners in yellow!

Lower Key Stage 2

Class:	3AH	3AC	3HL	4CE	4SI	4KW
Attendance:	94.4%	100%	89.6%	98.3%	93.7%	96.7%
Lates:	0	1	5	1	1	1

Please can we remind parents to contact the office if your child is going to be absent from school. This should be done before 8:30 am.

Upper Key Stage 2

Class:	5AR	5BH	5KM	6NKAH	6CC	6DG
Attendance:	97.4%	94.1%	91.9%	93.9%	90.7%	100%
Lates:	0	3	4	0	1	0

If attendance becomes a concern, medical evidence will be asked for to support the absence.

How many more classes can achieve 100% for the last week of the half term? Be a **HERO!**

H – HERE
E – EVERY DAY
R – READY
O – ON TIME





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Celebrations!

Each Friday, we recognise and celebrate pupils' achievements in our Celebration Assembly.

Reader of the Week: this award recognises pupils for their home reading. Pupils who have taken part in **Everybody, Every Night**, reading five times per week at home with an adult and having their reading diary signed get to read in their year group reading area with a friend for their choice for the following week!

Star Reader: this award recognises pupil's achievements on **Accelerated Reader**, our online reading platform.

Mathematician of the Week: this award recognises pupils' **mathematical reasoning** in lessons. Staff identify a member of their maths group who have shown excellent mathematical reasoning. Pupils are awarded with a 'Mathematics Award' sticker.

Diamond Squad: this award is highly desired by pupils and comes with some fantastic privileges around school such as lunch at the magnificent '**Diamond Squad**' table with a chosen friend for the week and extra playtime! It is awarded to pupils who have showcased our school values this week.

See below the awards given in this week's Celebration Assembly:

Teacher	Reader of the Week	Star Reader	Mathematician of the Week	Diamond Squad
Mrs Laydon	Mason	Safiyyah	Sadik	Tosin
Mrs Hubery	Gracie	Daniella	Alexander	Daniella
Mrs Crawford	Joshua	Erastus	Tia	Kane
Mr Woods	Bradley	Bright	Phoebe	Dariola
Mrs Edwards	Aryan	Joy	Kian	Emily
Miss Inkster	Olivia Mae	Naseeha	Muhammad	Chizim
Miss McDonald	Tami	Tami	Sam	Callum
Mrs Haydon	Joshua	Matthew	Joshua	Matthew
Miss Robinson	Tilly	Jamius	Daniel	Jack
Mr Crowther	Samantha	Aaron	Aziza	Zunairah
Mr Guthrie	Leon	Aziza	Kara	Jaber
Mrs Kendrick/Herron	Grace	Nyla	Grace	Jensen
Mr Calvert			Leland	
Miss Tallintire			Hevi	

