



# Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a relatively quiet week in school with the children busily getting on with their learning. We have introduced the new 'Diamond Learner Awards' and the first children to win those have their certificates and are proudly working with their diamond on their desks for the next week. Our golden table at lunchtime is working well to encourage the children to behave well and have good manners at lunchtime - well done everyone who has sat on the golden table so far!

On Tuesday after school, I was incredibly proud to take a team of Year 6 to the Cambridgeshire schools English Challenge. The team worked hard together to answer questions on popular children's books, grammar and spelling. It was clear to see the enthusiasm and passion for learning as well as how excited the team were to take part and represent Murrow Primary Academy. The team even came back, and the very next day re-arranged our class library to help everyone with engaging with reading more. Well done and thank you to Aurora, Logan and Tommy-Joe.

This afternoon, Attenborough class are having an interactive poetry session with Joshua Seigal online. I cannot wait to hear all about the session and read any poetry produced.

Please do remember to listen to your child read at home and encourage them to use Timestables Rockstars/Numbots to practice their Maths facts. Particularly pleasing is , on Timestables Rockstars, we are seeing children improving their times tables knowledge which will help them in every avenue of Maths on their school journey. Well done to the children who moved up on our school hall leader board this week.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Kind regards,

Mrs Lynn

## Class PE days

Polar explorers - Monday

Ocean explorers - Monday and Thursday

Rainforest explorers - Wednesday and Friday

Attenborough class - Thursday and Friday

Polar explorers and Ocean explorers will use the forest area on a Friday and will need suitable clothing for wet and cold weather in school for these sessions.

## Dates for your diary

Wednesday 4th February - Meet with the SENCO and pastoral team

Monday 9th February - Ocean explorers class Art gallery

Tuesday 10th February - Polar explorers class Art gallery

Wednesday 11th February - Rainforest explorers Art gallery

Wednesday 11th February - Safe Internet Day

Thursday 12th February - Attenborough class Art gallery

Friday 27th February - 9-9:45 a.m. parents Maths morning in classes

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day - dress as your favourite fictional book character.

Thursday 5th March - Attenborough class trip to Duxford

Wednesday 18th March - Ocean explorers class trip to Flag Fen

Thursday 19th March - Vision screening for Polar Explorers.

Friday 20th March - The Big Dance Year 3.

Monday 23rd March - Parent consultations 3:30 p.m. until 7 p.m

Wednesday 25th March - Parent make and take Easter session 2:30-3 p.m.

Thursday 26th March - Parent consultation 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday 20th May - Class photos and Year 6 final photo.

## Future dates

Key Stage 2 SATs ( Year 6 ) - Monday 11th of May to Thursday 14th of May 2026

Multiplication Tables Check ( Year 4 ) - Monday 1st of June to Friday 12th of June

Phonics Screening Check (Year 1 and some Year 2) - Monday 8th of June to Friday 12th of June

# ATTENDANCE

WITH EFFECT FROM 19 AUGUST 2024

# WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME



Nottingham  
City Council

**I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.**

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything.

Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine.

The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

# 1

# £160



## 2 FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN

# 2



+£160



+£160



+£160



+£160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

# 3

# 10

IN

# 10

## IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised, the school will consider prosecution.

# 1

DAY =

# 2

SESSIONS

## FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS

# 4



+£160



+£160



+£160



+£160



4 children & 2 parents  
= £1280

Reduced to £640  
if paid in 21 days

If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

# 5



## 2ND TIME

2 parents and...

1 child = £320

2 children = £640

3 children = £960

4 children = £1280

No discount for  
early payment

## 3RD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given.

Your case will be taken to court.

A magistrate can fine each parent  
£2500 for each child.

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000

2 parents & 4 children = £20,000



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT

[gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance)