



MESSAGE FROM MRS TYRER

Well, it has certainly been a busy week in school and with only one week left until the half term holiday we have had some very tired boys and girls in school this week. Hopefully, a good rest at the weekend will see everyone back in school on Monday full of energy and ready for the final week of learning this half term.

Each class has taken part in the danceathon this week. I have seen some great dance moves from both the children and teachers. So a big thank you to the children for showing so much enthusiasm this week and getting involved even though I know that some were a little bit nervous at the beginning of the week. When I checked this morning, the fundraising amount was at £312 so thank you to everyone who has donated so far. Miss White has asked that all sponsorship money is either brought into school or added to the website by next Thursday so that we have the final amount before we break up for half term.

I would also like to wish our gymnastics team lots of luck for their competition next week, Mrs Earnshaw has been working hard to help the children learn their routines every day this week. It has been great to see the improvement as the week has gone on due to everyone's hard work and perseverance. I am sure that they will be great representatives of our school and who knows, maybe we will have some future Olympic gymnasts in our school!

Have a lovely weekend everyone

God bless and take care

DANCEATHON

Thank you for supporting us in raising funds for Kings Highway School, Eldoret. Our children have thoroughly enjoyed their sessions dancing all the way to Kenya. If you would like to donate please visit our online fund raising page:

<https://www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/kingshighwayschool2021>

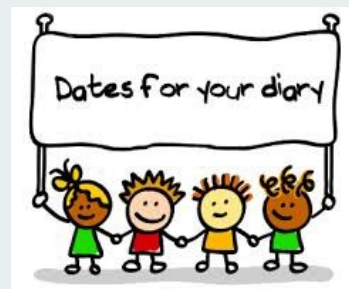
Cash donations can be placed in an envelope and handed to the School Office staff.

The closing date is Thursday 10th February 2022.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

14–18 Feb 22	Half-term
21 Feb 22	INSET Day
4–18 Apr 22	Easter
29 Apr 22	Extra BH
2 May 22	May Day
27 May	Jubilee Celebration Day
30 May–3 June	Half-term
6 June 22	INSET Day
22 July 22	INSET Day
25 July	Summer Holiday



INTERNET SAFETY DAY—TUES 8TH FEBRUARY 22

The theme of Safer Internet Day 2022 is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'. This year looks at online gaming, chat functions, streaming and video. The day will celebrate young people's role in creating a safer internet, however they choose to use it, from creating content to interacting with friends and peers. Staying safe on the internet is a vital part of modern technology use. Here are our top tips for aiding you and your children in this process:

- Monitor your child's internet use and keep a track of their browser history.
- Make sure you choose strong passwords for your secure information.
- Keep your privacy settings high to ensure your security.
- Ensure you're up-to-date with all the latest security software.
- Remember to be as vigilant on your mobile as your desktop or laptop.
- Don't click on links you don't trust.



STARS OF THE WEEK

<u>Acorn</u> Sofia Saghin Ollie Graham Connor Barton	<u>Ash</u> Annie Wellman Archie Turner Joshua Gill Patrick Peck	<u>Oak</u> Leo Jones Ellie Wright Cali Blackburn Beatrix Hardacre
<u>Willow</u> William Bradshaw Angelica Isherwood Stanley Turpin Isla Hurst Logan Ashworth	<u>Hawthorn</u> Courtney Greenwood Olivia Chong Jack Clegg Isla Ellins Molly-Mae Payne Thea Lynch	<u>Birch</u> Scarlett Threfall Joshua Booth <u>Chestnut</u> Ella Taylor Alex Scheidt Levi Dewhurst Zara Israr
<u>Alder</u> Grace Orrell Teyo Ersahin Leah-Mae Greenwood Ty Stevenson	<u>Sycamore</u> Harrison Heyworth Marcus Stringer Blake McTear Lola Cowperthwaite Jayden Steer Alfie Fletcher	<u>Rowan</u> Fatima Kamil Amelia Wojtas Jamie Billington Jessica Riley

Attendance

The attendance figures for the week commencing 31st January 2022 are as follows:

<u>Oak</u> 96%	20 mins late	<u>Acorn</u> 89.4%	no mins late
<u>Ash</u> 99.6%	no mins lates	<u>Willow</u> 99.3%	5 mins late
<u>Birch</u> 93.4%	1hr 10 mins	<u>Hawthorn</u> 98.1%	10 mins late
<u>Chestnut</u> 93.8%	no mins late	<u>Alder</u> 88.7%	1hr 15 mins
<u>Rowan</u> 92%	15mins late	<u>Sycamore</u> 93.5%	40 mins late

School

94.4% Attendance

3hrs 55mins of education missed due to late arrival

Government guidelines recommend a minimum attendance of 96%.

FRIENDS OF ST JAMES' SCHOOL—28 FEBRUARY 22

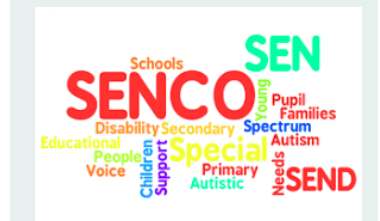
There will be a Friends' meeting on Monday 28th February at 6pm in the KS1 Hall. This will be our first meeting since COVID and we look forward to meeting some new faces! Please do come and join us - it's very informal.

The Friends' Committee have raised lots of money for school over the years. They have arranged socials, school fairs and craft activities. We hope to get a few ideas together for activities for the rest of this school year.



SEN PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETING—15 MARCH 22

Mrs Sharp (SENCo) would like to invite parents/carers of children on the SEN Register to join her for the St James' SEN Parent Support Group meeting. If you would like to join, please pop into the KS1 Hall on Tuesday 15th March after drop off in the morning between 8.45-9.45am. Coffee/tea and cakes will be provided. We hope you will be able to come and make the most of this valuable opportunity to meet other parents and share your views and ideas.



JIMMYS ONLINE SYSTEM

Jimmys Online Booking system is now live. Please ensure that you have registered your child and booked your required places online. More information is available from Jimmys.

To register [click on this link](#)

Sessions must be booked and paid for in advance.



PRIMROSE LODGE WORKS

We have been notified that further work is being carried out at the Primrose Lodge Nature Reserve. The work should increase the amount of public access by creating a "mini" circular walk.

Please be aware that, although work should not commence until 9.00am and cease between 3.00pm and 3.30pm, there may be heavy equipment working in the area.

Work should be completed by Easter.

