



Wittering Weekly Roundup

Try Hard, Be Kind, Fly High

Dear Parents and Carers,

Attendance

Our attendance across school for this week was 93%. Well done everyone, in particular Year 4! Our top three year groups for attendance this week were:

1	Year 4	98%
2	Year 2	95%
3	Year 3	94%

As I am sure you are aware, there is a strong link between attendance and attainment. The Government has released statistics to show that in 2018/19, just 40% of persistently absent children in KS2 achieved expected KS2 standards, compared with 84% of pupils who were regular attenders.

In addition to the importance attendance plays in attainment, the latest research into the mental health of children point towards regular school attendance facilitating positive peer relationships. This is a protective factor for mental health and wellbeing.



Parents Evening Dates

Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to **change the dates of the parents evenings** that were put on last week's newsletter. The new dates are:

Monday 11th March

Wednesday 13th March

SEN Parents evening dates remain the same.

I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Young Voices

On Wednesday, we had the most wonderful day with our Young Voices singers. We sang and danced, listened to some amazing musicians and screamed (some of us quite a lot!). Well done to all the children, who were impeccably behaved and made us incredibly proud. We all looked brilliant in our Young Voices T-Shirts and are incredibly appreciative of the Parish Council for their funding for these! Finally, huge thanks goes to Mrs Smith for all her hard work and organisation and to all the 'behind the scenes' adults.



Playground Toys

This week we have introduced some new playground equipment on to the playgrounds. We have catch-a-cups, wobble boards, skipping ropes, lo-lo balls and many other exciting things for the children to play with. We have seen an improvement in collaborative play, sharing and resilience in learning new skills. A huge thanks goes out to the Wittering Parish Room Fund, who donated the money to put these amazing resources into school.



Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 18 th January	9.10-9.30am	Mr Toma's Class Assembly
Wednesday 24 th January		Reception Vision Check
Tuesday 6 th February		Safer Internet Day
Thursday 8 th February	9.10-9.30am	Mrs March's Class Assembly
Thursday 15 th February		Year 2 Cresset Dance Show
Monday 19 th February – Friday 23 rd February		Half Term
Monday 4 th March		SEND parents Evening – Information to Follow
Wednesday 6 th March		SEND parents Evening – Information to Follow
Monday 11 th March		Parents Evening - Information to Follow
Wednesday 13 th March		Parents Evening - Information to Follow
Monday 18 th March - Friday 22 nd March		Chance to Share Week – Information to Follow

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