



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parent/Carer,

The half term is really racing away with us now with only 2 weeks left of the first half term.

I'm sure you have all been on the edge of your seats waiting for a Year 1 update on the whereabouts of the Giant! Well things have actually got worse as I had to visit year 1 again this week to tell them the terrible news that not only the Giant has escaped, but so too has the Big Bad Wolf, the Troll and Goldilocks! The children will be continuing to write wanted posters. I will keep you updated on the situation.

On the Thursday, we celebrated National Poetry Day. The children got a wonderful surprise from the staff as they received a video of all the staff performing one of Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes.

The pupils really enjoyed their special 'McMede' lunch on Thursday. I'd like to personally thank all of the staff that were involved in the preparation of the day. The children loved their 'happy meals'.

Our year 6 children will be having their first mock SATs week next week. It will be set up in the same way that the real assessment week will be in May. This will give the pupils the opportunity to experience what the expectations are and give the teachers a baseline to see what support the pupils need moving forward.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Mr Dobson
Headteacher

Attendance Congratulations

Week 04 October – 08 October

Classes with 96% and above

EYFS – RAJ,
KS1 – 1MP,
KS2 – 5AB, 6CW, 6PD

Celebrating Punctuality

Events

25 Oct – 29 Oct	Half Term
31 Oct	Deadline for Secondary School applications
9 Nov	School Photos (individuals only)
11 Nov	Remembrance Day
11 Nov	Flu jabs – visit 1
7 Dec	Flu jabs – visit 2
17 Dec	End of term (1.30pm finish)

School Office Opening Hours

Our office team is here to make sure that school runs smoothly on a day-to-day basis. You will be aware that at certain times of the day it can become very busy and we are considering ways to improve efficiency.

The office is open from 8:30am – 4.00pm for general enquiries.

For any enquiries relating to admissions (including Nursery, New starters, In-Year Transitions and Secondary school places), please visit us between 09.30am and 2.30pm.

Secondary School Application

The online form for applying for Secondary School place is now open and can be accessed by following this link: www.peterborough.gov.uk/admissions

The deadline for applications is Sunday 31st October 2021. It is very important that you apply for your child's secondary school place before Sunday 31st October 2021, if your application is submitted late you may miss out on a place at your preferred school or may not have a school place at all.

ALL Year 6's need to have an application submitted to Peterborough City Council for their secondary school place, having an older sibling at secondary school DOES NOT mean your child will automatically have a place.

If you have any questions or need any assistance with applying for a secondary school place for your child, please come to see Mrs Lidgett in the school office (9:30am - 2:30pm) who is more than happy to help you submit your child's application.

School Photos

The School Photographer will be in School on Tuesday 9th November to take your child's School Photo. Information on how to pay for your child's photo will be sent out nearer the time.

McMede Day

This is a few pictures from our "McMede" Day



Absence Procedures

If your child is absent you must:

Contact the school on the first day of absence and keep us informed thereafter via the absence line, directly at the school office or via the Arbor app.

If your child is due to have a **planned medical appointment** or procedure/operation, you must **notify** the school in advance and provide documentary evidence in the form of an official letter or appointment card. Where possible, make appointments outside of school hours.

Attendance

Please see below the attendance chart overleaf. We are aiming for 97% and above in September and as a school we will be making early interventions in order to continue to improve attendance.

