



11/01/2019

*Welcome back to*

**SCHOOL**

Dear Parents/carers,  
Welcome back after Christmas and Happy 2019 to you all.

### Next week's Events

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan

Year 1 children will be visiting St Michaels Church on

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan

Year 1 can come into school dressed as a famous person.



### Rock Challenge

Rock Challenge ticket allocation letters have been sent home this week the deadline for orders is the 18<sup>th</sup> Jan if you want to order through school. Otherwise you can get tickets directly from the Sands Centre from the 1<sup>st</sup> Feb.

### E-mail & Mobile Numbers

We have sent numerous e-mails out this week through a new system if you have not received these please call into school so we can update our details.

Also if you have changed mobile numbers recently please let us know: it is extremely important we have correct details.

### School Applications

If your child is due to move up to reception or into year 3 junior school please have applications submitted online or handed into school before 15<sup>th</sup> Jan.

### Nursery

#### 2 Year Olds

This week the 2 Year Old Nursery has welcomed new starters. It has been a busy week full of learning through play. The topic in the Nursery this half term is winter. We will be focusing on snow and ice and developing our language and communication skills to describe how they feel and how they look. We will be developing our skills in physical development in finger gym activities and our gross motor skills during outdoor play.



#### 3 Year Olds

The children have welcomed new starters this term. They have settled into their new routine and they are thoroughly enjoying their new Nursery environment. The older children in the Nursery have been collaborating to ensure the new starters are settling in and they are being excellent role models. This half term the children are learning about winter and we are focusing on the book Polar Bear, Polar Bear. We will be looking at how polar bears keep warm in comparison to humans and making comparisons between the environments in which they live.



## Reception

This week the reception children have settled back in very well after the Christmas holidays. We have had a busy week back into our weekly routine. In math's we have been using positional language, describing our own position and an objects position. We loved playing position BINGO! We have learnt new sounds in our phonics sessions and practised letter formation in our handwriting booklets. Throughout the week we took part in our weekly dancing and music sessions with Natalie and Happy Hannah. To finish the week off we completed our Amaven P.E assessment where we worked hard to progress in the areas that we needed to.



## Year 1

We have had a busy first week back this week. We have begun our new topics where we are looking at people who were famous when our Mam and Dad were young, where do people worship and our body. As scientists we collaborated to make a person out of playdoh and then we developed our writing skills by labelling the different body parts that we had made. As historians, we have been carrying out research on Muhammad Ali and we used our findings to create a fact file about him. As artists, we have been looking at the work of Andy Warhol and used our art skills to recreate one of his famous Pop Art pieces. In RE this week we have been looking at the features of a Church. On Friday we were put through our paces by the guys from Amaven as we tried to

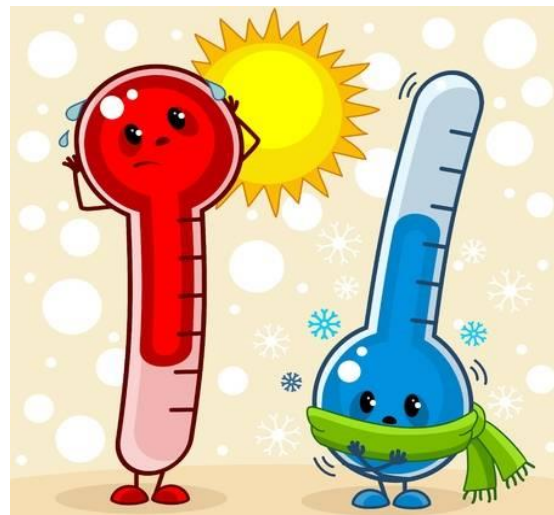
improve on our last scores that we achieved at the start of the year.

## Year 2

Year 2 have settled back into school very well after the Christmas break and are ready to learn lots of new and exciting things throughout the Spring Term. We kicked off the New Year by writing a thank you letter to Santa. Thanking him for the following: What we ate, what we received, what we gave, what we watched and where we went. We made links to all the different skills we learnt in 2018 and used them to create a detailed thank you letter to tell Santa Claus just how grateful we are.

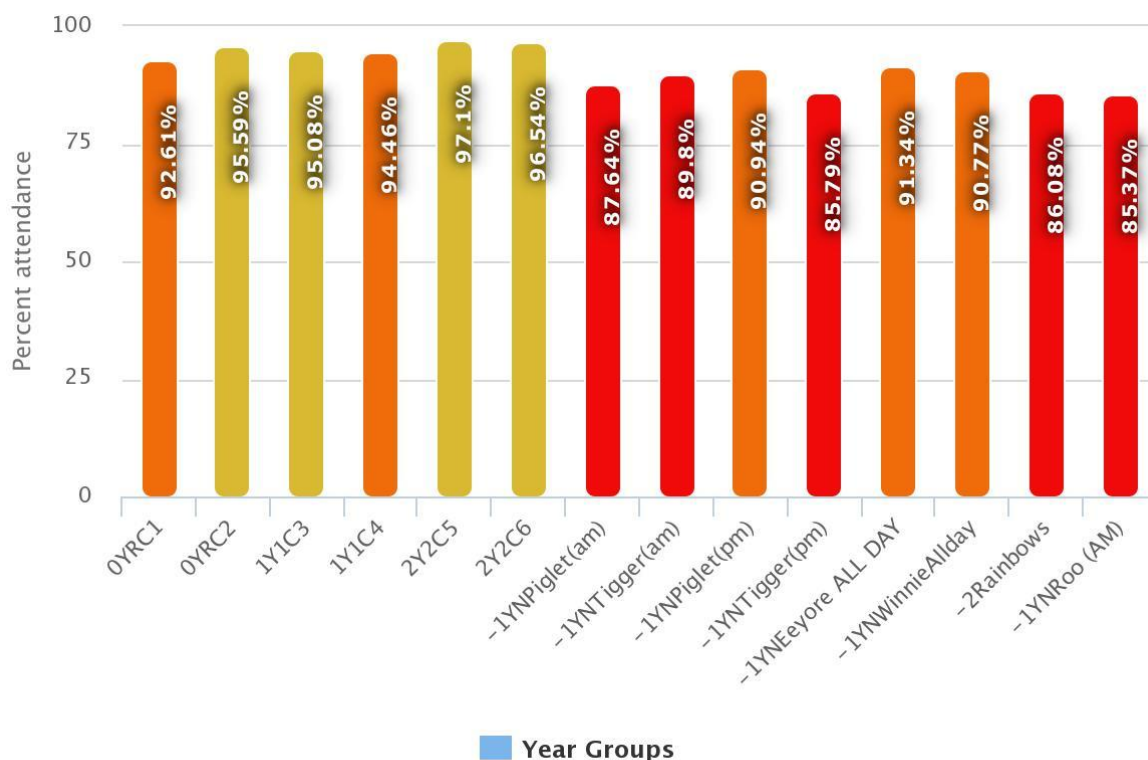
As young mathematicians we have finished looking through the topic of mass and how much different items weigh in both grams and kilograms. We have now started to look at temperature, looking at: how to read temperature and estimating temperature. As scientists we have been looking at germs and how quickly they spread from person to person. We have also been looking at the importance of washing our hands. We designed our very own hand wash, making it appealing.

Year 2 have also taken part in their Amaven Challenge Day Number 2. Where they have taken part in many different physical activities based on their Challenge Day Number 1 to see the improvement they have made throughout this time.

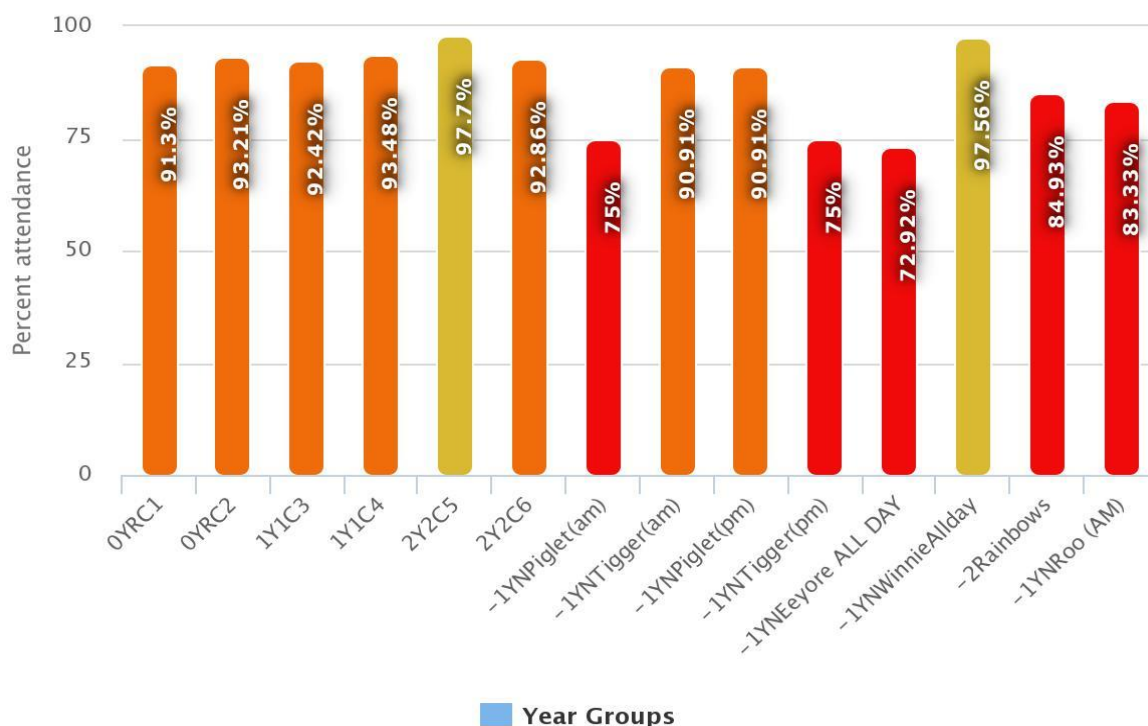


## Attendance Matters

Whole School Attendance 3<sup>rd</sup> September - 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018



Whole school attendance for last week 17<sup>th</sup> Dec - 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018



Well done to Class 5 who were last week's top attenders. Remember that attendance is vital to your child's progress let's see if your child's class can be the top attenders next week.

### Diary Dates

4 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Staff INSET	
7 <sup>th</sup> January	Return to school Spring 2019	
7 <sup>th</sup> January	Nursery- PE coach KS1 Multi skills coach	
7 <sup>th</sup> January	Rock challenge practice begins for year 2/3 at Junior site. Children to be collected at Victoria Junior school- 4pm.	
10 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2 Helena Thompson museum visit	
11 <sup>th</sup> January	Amaven PE assessment with pupils	All pupils
11 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2 pupils being trained as PE leaders 11-12.	PE leaders year 2
14 <sup>th</sup> January	Trainee teacher in class 6 begins	
14 <sup>th</sup> January	Nursery- PE coach KS1 Multi skills coach	
14 <sup>th</sup> January	Rock challenge practice begins for year 2/3 at Junior site. Children to be collected at Victoria Junior school- 4pm.	Year 2/3
15 <sup>th</sup> January	Student leaders meeting in school.	Student leaders
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Year one pupils will visit St Michael's Church	Year one
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 1 dress as a famous person day.	Year one
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2 pupils being trained as PE leaders 11-12.	PE leaders year 2
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Rock challenge tickets orders need to be in today.	
21 <sup>st</sup> January	PE cluster meeting	PE leader
21 <sup>st</sup> January	Nursery- PE coach KS1 Multi skills coach	
21 <sup>st</sup> January	Rock challenge practice begins for year 2/3 at Junior site. Children to be collected at Victoria Junior school- 4pm.	
22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Kwick sticks hockey for KS1 pupils	KS1
22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Governor meeting for the Federation 4pm	All Governors



23 <sup>rd</sup> January	National handwriting day Completion for the most improved handwriting	All pupils
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Kingswood residential meeting for all year 2 parents. 9am	All year 2 children and parents
25 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2 pupils being trained as PE leaders 11-12.	PE leaders year 2
28 <sup>th</sup> January	Nursery- PE coach KS1 Multi skills coach	
28 <sup>th</sup> January	Rock challenge practice begins for year 2/3 at Junior site. Children to be collected at Victoria Junior school- 4pm.	
31 <sup>st</sup> January	Coffee morning for parents	All parents
1 <sup>st</sup> February	Year 2 pupils being trained as PE leaders 11-12.	PE leaders Yr2
4 <sup>th</sup> February	Nursery- PE coach KS1 Multi skills coach	
4 <sup>th</sup> February	Rock challenge practice begins for year 2/3 at Junior site. Children to be collected at Victoria Junior school- 4pm.	Year 2/3
5 <sup>th</sup> February	World safer internet day Parents help session 9am and 2:30pm Pupils online safety questionnaire	All parents
5 <sup>th</sup> February	Chinese new year	
6 <sup>th</sup> February	SENCo cluster meeting  Geography/ history subject leader monitoring	
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 2 Beatrix Potter trip	All year 2 pupils
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Leanne Day- BLP update	
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 2 pupils being trained as PE leaders 11-12.	PE Leaders Yr 2
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 1 and 2 Tennis starts	
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Valentines disco 4:00pm-5:30pm	Rec, Yr 1 & 2
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Library van visits the school	All pupils
15 <sup>th</sup> February	HALF TERM	
18 <sup>TH</sup> February- 22 <sup>nd</sup>	HOLIDAY CLUB AVAILABLE	

February	8AM-5PM	
25 <sup>th</sup> February	Spring term 2 Pupils return to school	
25 <sup>th</sup> February	Red noses will go on sale	
25 <sup>TH</sup> February	Rock challenge practice begins for year 2/3 at Junior site. Children to be collected at Victoria Junior school- 4pm.	
27 <sup>TH</sup> February	Tennis starts for pupils	KS1 pupils
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Breakfast week Pupils will taste a variety of breakfasts over the week.	All pupils
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Pancake day Pupils will have pancakes at school	All pupils
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Student leader meeting	Student leaders
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Tennis KS1	
7 <sup>th</sup> March	World book day Pupils can come dressed as a character out of a book.	All pupils
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Common wealth day	
11 <sup>th</sup> March	British science week Pupils will be learning about science and have activities planned to help them investigate.	
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Rock Challenge Carlisle sands Centre Year 2/3 pupils involved	Year 2/3 pupils
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red nose day Pupils can come to school in red	All pupils
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Rock Challenge pupils can wear their Rock Challenge t-shirts to school.	Rock Challenge pupils
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter activity week	
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter bonnets, eggs and Easter egg hunt. Detail to follow.	
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter raffle drawn Easter prizes handed out in assembly.	
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Wear a hat for brain tumour research. £1 donation.	
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Finish for Easter 12:45pm Holiday Club available 1.4.2019-12.4.19	
1 <sup>st</sup> April-12 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>HOLIDAY CLUB EASTER ACTIVITIES 8AM-5PM</b>	

1 <sup>st</sup> April-12 <sup>th</sup> April	EASTER HOLIDAYS	

Please note for the most up to date list of activities and events please visit the school website, [www.victoriaschool.org.uk](http://www.victoriaschool.org.uk) or contact [admin@victoria-inf-workington.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@victoria-inf-workington.cumbria.sch.uk)