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## Curriculum Newsletter – 21<sup>st</sup> Edition

Welcome to the 21<sup>st</sup> edition of the weekly curriculum newsletter. As always, it has been a very busy time at school and I think we are all struck by the short half-term ahead – just 4-weeks! Despite this, there is much work to do, and at least some of this will relate to the new building on Ethel Road. Anyhow, I have saved the good news until the end of this paragraph – I will be picking up the keys at the beginning of next week!! This means we will become the custodians, and that the planned move will take place after we return to school post-Easter. My thanks once again to all of the people who have worked so hard to provide such outstanding accommodation for the amazing children of Mayflower Primary School.

### The Holy Month of Ramadan

With the Holy Month of Ramadan now on the horizon, on behalf of the governors and staff, we wish you all well as the fast begins. You know I will be joining you for at least a day, and the likelihood is that this will be on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024**. Wish me well, and walking in the shoes of you all is very important to me. In terms of practicalities, you will have now received an updated version of our Fasting Policy. This details the arrangements that will be in place for any children who wish to observe the fast. As a quick *aide memoire*, I can offer the following:

- Children in years 5 and 6, if they choose to do so, will be looked after in school by staff during lunchtimes. They will also be encouraged to play gentle games, and PE provision will reflect these requirements. A form has been sent via WeDuc, and if you wish your child to be involved, please can you fill this in on their behalf. Thank you.
- Children in all other year groups will need to be collected by parents from both sites if they are fasting. Our policy suggests that this age is a little too young, and if they wish to be involved, maybe they could fast at the weekend instead. If this is your choice, please can you ensure your child is collected by **12.05 pm**, and returned again by **13.10**, at the very latest? Please note that this will not be recorded as an absence from school, provided they are back in time for the afternoon register.

### World Book Day 2024

Just a quick reminder that World Book Day will take place on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024**. There are 2 options, one of which is quite easy, and the other a little more challenging. The easy option is for your child to come into school in comfy clothes or nightwear, along with a favourite book from home. The more creative option is to come dressed as a favourite book character, along with a copy of the book the character is drawn from. Prizes will be available in all phases, and we are seeking a voluntary contribution of just **£1.00**, which will be used to fund new reading books in all of the classrooms. Good luck, and I can't wait to see how we get on!! Please keep an eye on the Twitter Feed....

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## Parents' Evening

My thanks to all the parents who attended parents' evening during the final week of last half-term. It was so good to see you all, and our teachers love nothing more than celebrating their successes. We are also aware that some of you were not able to keep these appointments, and we understand that these things can happen. This week, office staff have been collating a list of parents who have not been seen, and we will reach out to you in due course. Please be amenable to these opportunities because we would like to ensure that all of our parents have an opportunity to hear about how well their children have done and where next they need to go in their learning. I shall look forward to seeing you all soon.

## Hot School Meals

Just a quick note about the hot-school meals offer that will return to Mayflower once we take up residence in our new building. There have been some unexpected challenges with the desired provider, but regardless of this, we will be writing to you all soon with copies of the new menus, how meals can be pre-booked, and the UIFSM offer for children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2. I know that you will welcome this good news, and apologise, once again, for our provider not being able to offer hot school meals during the RAAC-crisis.

## Sickness Bugs

Just a quick reminder that there is quite a lot of sickness going around at the moment. NHS guidance confirms that if a child is physically sick (vomits), then they need to be kept away from school for a period of 48-hours. This will help to limit the spread of infection, which will benefit all of our children. Thank you, as always, for your help and support in relation to such sensitive matters.

## Gifts for Mothers' Day

Another quick reminder that the Friends of Mayflower will be helping our children to be ready for Mothers' Day once again. For just **£3.00**, they can buy a gift, that they can then give to their mother on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March**. If you would like them to take part, please can they bring their money into school in a named envelope by **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**? Thank you.

## Attendance

Some very good attendance figures in school this week, and also with one class scoring a perfect 100%!! My thanks to you all for working so hard to get them in every single day.

Week Beginning Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024			
Early Years	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Orchard: 98.6%	2AJ: 97.8%	3KW: 100%	6PA: 96.8%

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## Wow Moments in School



People who help - YR



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Queen Victoria – Y1



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Counting in twos – Y1



Achievements – Y2



Achievements – Y2



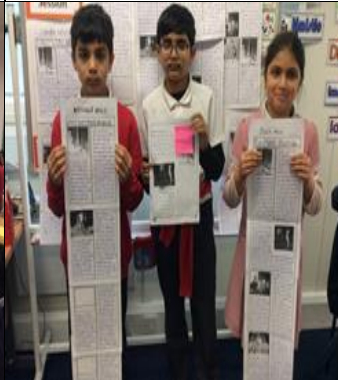
Letter to the PM – Y4



Geography – Y4



DT – Y5



Writing – Y5



Writing – Y6

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