



Welcome to Issue 1 of the Monthly Bulletin

The next issue will be out in March

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On Friday 13th January Mrs Grayson, Mrs Turner and Mrs Shaw took the Year 2 singing club to the Arena for Young Voices. We are so proud of our children for taking part in such a wonderful event – a late night but well worth it!!



FOUNDATION STAGE WERE VISITED BY THE GINGERBREAD MAN



Our theme for this half term in the Foundation Stage has been Once Upon a Time. We have been focusing on developing children's Communication and

Language skills to enable them to retell a familiar story. As part of our learning we invited the Gingerbread Man into school and what a fun day of learning we had! The children learnt to retell the Gingerbread Man story using props, actions, music and drama. They acted out the story in small groups to develop their confidence and communication skills when performing to others. They created their own gingerbread man, played puzzles and gingerbread jigsaws in

groups and learnt to sing some gingerbread man songs. They were even lucky enough to have a photograph with the runaway gingerbread man! The day was a great success and the children followed up their learning in class by writing speech bubbles in the role of characters, learnt to ask questions in the role of the story characters and finally baked our own gingerbread men. Thank goodness our Gingerbread men did not run away out of the oven!



Road Safety

Each class had a road safety talk this week and then we ended with our Be Bright Be Seen day (On a very foggy Friday morning) The children learned about safely crossing the road and were taught a rhyme to help them remember.



*"Stop, look, listen, before you cross the street.
Use your eyes and use your ears, before you use your feet!"*

Parking

We ask that parents pay attention to the zigzag lines restricting parking on Uppergate Road.



Wise Behaviour



Each week children are acknowledged for always choosing good behaviour or for making improvements in behaviour choices. They get a treat from Mrs Binns!

1GE are having a wonderful time during Forest Schools in the garden.

Andy Goldsworthy - We looked at Goldsworthy's sculptures for inspiration and made our own twig towers.



**RED
NOSE
DAY**

On the 24th March 2017 school will be raising money for Red Nose Day. Red Noses are on sale from Monday 6th February. They can be purchased from the office, £1 each.

Will you find the ultra rare nose?



Number Day



Thank you for rising to our Number day challenge. The children are going to be very busy counting the 1ps to make pounds. From the start of the day the children have been thinking about numbers; 2DB had to add their age to the number of letters in their name and estimate how many dogs are on Mrs Barker's blouse! Even the children in forest school are counting in 10s.





School Terms and Holidays

Academic Year 2016/2017

Term Dates (All dates inclusive)

Autumn	Thursday 1 September 2016	Friday 16 December 2016
Spring	Tuesday 3 January 2017	Friday 7 April 2017
Summer	Monday 24 April 2017	Friday 21 July 2017

Holiday Periods

School re-opens	Thursday 1 September 2016	
Half Term	Monday 24 October 2016	Friday 28 October 2016
Christmas	Monday 19 December 2016	Monday 2 January 2017
Spring Half Term	Monday 20 February 2017	Friday 24 February 2017
Easter	Monday 10 April 2017	Friday 21 April 2017
May Day	Monday 1 May 2017	
Spring Bank	Monday 29 May 2017	Friday 2 June 2017
Summer	School closes at the end of day on Friday 21 July 2017	
SATs Weeks	First three weeks May 2017	

Staff Training Days

Autumn	Thursday 1 September 2016 Friday 2 September 2016 Friday 21 October 2016	
Spring	Monday 23 rd January 2017	
Summer	Monday 5 th June 2017	