

**Covid Cases** As you will be aware we have had a challenging week. We have had several cases over the last few days with some children returning to school and some children still isolating at home. We have had to put a couple of control measures back in place such as not all mixing in the hall for assembly and lunchtime, not mixing at playtimes and staying in our class 'bubbles' to reduce the chance of transmission. These will hopefully be short term measures whilst we ride out this surge in infections however after seeking further guidance from Public Health England, whilst there are still live cases in school these measures will remain in place.



- 4 Jan - Staff Training Day
- 5 Jan - Children return
- 24 Jan - No After School Club - Staff training
- 9 Feb - FGB meeting
- 17 Feb - break up for half term
- 18 Feb - staff training day
- 28 Feb - Return to school

**Year 5/6 Residential** We are intending on taking the Year 5 and 6 children on a residential school trip late in the summer term. This will be a visit to an urban setting which will develop our children's understanding of a contrasting location to the one in which they live which is part of our Geography curriculum. It will also enrich their 'cultural capital' (which is the term used to describe developing in children a wider awareness of living in Britain today).



We are intending on visiting Manchester on the 6th - 8th July. (Y5/6 parents will have received further details including consent, prices and the itinerary last week).



**Chinese New Year** This Friday we will be celebrating Chinese New Year. Class 2 (Y2/3) are taking part in a Chinese Dragon Dance workshop and will need to be in their PE kits for the day please. Please make sure you have logged onto Parentpay to give consent and pay. Thank you.

**And finally...**thank you for your continued support regarding staff and pupil absences and the complex challenges that these absences present - it is very much appreciated by us all!

<p><b>Pre School - Our theme this half term is: 'Let's explore!'</b></p>	<p><b>Reception and Year 1 - Our theme this half term is: 'Let's explore!'</b></p>	<p><b>Year 2 and 3 - Our theme this half term is: 'Let's go to China'</b></p>	<p><b>Year 4, 5 and 6 - Our theme this half term is: 'Vikings and Anglo-Saxons'</b></p>
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