

Friday 13th March 2026

Leave of Absence

Leave of Absence for a child will only ever be granted in exceptional circumstances. Holidays are not classed as exceptional circumstances and could lead to Fixed Penalty Notices. It is school and Government policy that ANY Leave of Absence MUST be applied for at the school office BEFORE any leave is taken. You will usually be asked to attend a meeting with Mr Astley to discuss the leave of absence and your child's attendance. Please see the information at: <https://www.gov.uk/school-attendance-absence>

School expansion consultation

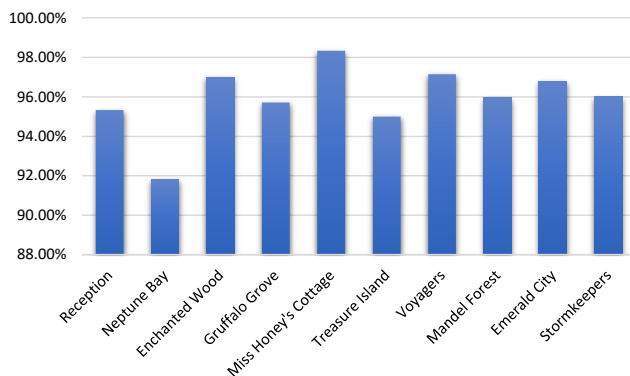
Our consultation for expansion has now closed. Thank you to those parents who have asked questions or made comments. **We hope to let you know about more details of the building plans soon!**

MEGA MONDAYS!

We gave out our second set of prizes this week for randomly selected children who were in school on time on Monday. Your child could be next so make sure they are in school by 8:55am on Mondays!

We may also be offering prizes to children on other days over the next few weeks so make sure your child is on time and in school every day to stand a chance of being chosen!

Best Attendance



Attendance

Wow! It has been ANOTHER superb week for attendance, with us blasting the national average attendance through the roof with a whopping 96%! This has meant that most of our children have been able to make great progress in their learning this week. Let's keep this up!

If your child is not in school for one morning, they will miss 3 lessons. If they miss a whole day, they will miss 5 lessons. They will not get this learning time back and this can make a difference in their termly tests. So that your child can do well, make sure they are in school every day on time. Important tests are happening between now and the end of term and every day counts towards this.

Tip of the week...

Are you stuck for a new book for your child to read...? There are some great suggestions here...

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/book-recommendations/best-new-books/>

Fairlet – Friday 20th March

Get your glue sticks at the ready for your Easter bonnets! Our PTFA are holding our Spring Fairlet after school next Friday and they would like children to make Easter bonnets. Get creating – we know there will be amazing designs!

Message from Mr Astley

We have had lots of visitors to the school this week and they have been bowled over by our super work and great learning behaviours. Our new rules are becoming well embedded now and are really helping our children to respect each other well. Lots of children have now got lots of Green Lights, which is one of the ways we praise children when they follow our rules well. Children have really become excited about being the 'Green Light Spotter' each day. They have been helping the adults in their class to 'spot' which children are doing a good job of following our rules.

It is unbelievable to think that we break up for the Easter school holiday two weeks today. There is so much to fit in before then, with lots of really exciting learning lined up for your children. For those of you who use Facebook, you will have seen all of the great Science work that has been celebrated this week as well as the brilliant song-writing that children have been doing with Mrs Larkin, our music teacher.

Your children must be exhausted after such great work! Enjoy your weekend!



Class Assemblies

This year, each class within a 'phase' will be sharing a class assembly for parents during a selected week. Year 1 and 2 will go first on the below dates:

Monday 23rd March - Neptune Bay (3.00pm – 3.15pm)

Tuesday 24th March – Gruffalo Grove (3.00pm – 3.15pm)

Thursday 26th March – Enchanted Wood (3.00pm – 3.15pm)

Other classes to follow after Easter.

Mobile Phones & Photos on the school site

Keep mobile phones out of sight of children. You are not permitted to use mobile phones during the working day or to take photographs of children on personal devices. You must refrain from posting photos or recordings on social media, websites or any public forum.

Please do not screenshot photos of any children from our official Facebook page and repost them on your own pages. Please do not use children's names when commenting on our Facebook posts.