



It may seem silly to ask if you were able to have a relaxing break at a time when everyone is their most excited! However, we do hope that you have found the Christmas holiday to be restorative.

We often find that the Spring term is when children really begin to flourish, working harder than ever to reach their full potential and to make themselves proud. We ask for your support in this, completing homework with children and reading regularly.

Many thanks for your continued support!



Please be reminded that we believe in making Every Minute Meaningful. We work at a fast pace as a school and, as a result, your children make great progress and achieve strong outcomes.

However, we have seen an increase in the number of people taking days off from school, either for extended holidays or for occasional events.

These **significantly** impact your child's education.

Please be advised that parents/carers may be fined or subject to a Legal Intervention Team if attendance becomes a particular concern.



## Attendance Matters



### Spring 1 Key Dates:

#### January

**Tuesday 7th January** - Back to school

**Monday 27th January** - Chicks arrive in school

**Tuesday 28th January** - Phonics Workshop

**Friday 30th January** - Year 2 Trip to Aldershot Military Museum

#### February

**W/C 3rd February** - Parent Meetings (invite and request only)

**Tuesday 11th February** - Safer Internet Day

**Wednesday 12th February** - Year R Stay and Play

**Thursday 13th February** - Year 1 and 2 Police Assembly

**Friday 14th February** - Last Day of School

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#### JANUARY

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Thank you for coming to purchase books through Scholastic Book Fairs. Because of the books you bought, Scholastic have awarded us **£252** to spend on new books for the school library and the classrooms!



Kath and Elaine are our school's PCOS and they came to visit in December. You will have received a message letting you know how **AMAZED** they were with the children's behaviour. They all demonstrated our core values: **ambition, resilience and community** and our school rules: **ready, respectful and safe**. We are so proud of them!

They will be visiting again this term to talk to the children about how they help us and what to do if they need help.

### Uniform Reminders

We always encourage the children to be **Marlborough Smart** in their behaviour and this also applies to their uniform and appearance. Our school uniform consists of:

- white shirt/polo shirt
- grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore (**strictly no joggers or leggings**)
- blue checked summer dress (for warmer weather)
- navy blue sweatshirt, fleece or cardigan (**strictly no hooded jumpers or zip up "hoodies"**)
- smart, black school shoes (**strictly no trainers**)
- black, grey or white tights
- black, grey or white visible socks
- hair below the shoulders must be tied back

If you need any help or support with obtaining uniform, please let a member of staff know. We are always happy to help!



### Channel 4 Swiped

We know that devices—iPads, game consoles and phones—are often gifted at Christmas.

Whilst we would always recommend that parents ensure there are adequate controls on devices, we urge you to watch the Channel 4 programme **Swiped**.

This is a great look at the impact of screentime and the dangers of devices even if you think that you have put all the protective measures in place that you can.

It is not to attempt to scare you into never letting your child online but a way of exploring safe internet use **alongside** your child.

If you feel you would like any help from the school regarding online safety, please do not hesitate to contact us.

