



# NEWSLETTER



## Welcome

Welcome to our newsletter. I can't believe we have come to the end of another term! It has been a wonderful half term, with so much to celebrate and be proud of.

Today, we celebrated our Value Stars from Nursery to Year 6. The children were voted for by their classmates to receive our special kindness award, for consistently showing kindness around school. We are so proud of them all. Congratulations to all our winners.

This week our Year 5 and 6 pupils visited Jodrell Bank to see the Lovell telescope. This operates as the third largest telescope in the world and is breath-taking to see in the real. The children loved their day and learnt so much from it. It is definitely an experience to remember.

We welcomed Reverend Andy Telfer to school this week to lead an assembly about the Easter story. Our children enjoyed learning about why Christians celebrate Easter and the significance of Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. We also enjoyed talking about our favourite chocolate eggs! Whether you are celebrating Easter or not, we hope you all enjoy some special family time together over the next few weeks.

Enjoy your time off! Remember to keep reading! We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 17th April.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Catt



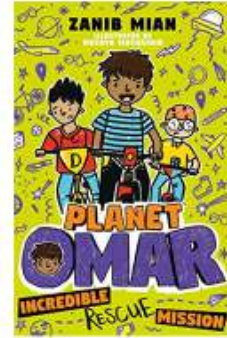
# Congratulations



Congratulations to all the children who showed our school value Keiron Kindness. Well done everyone!

# Author of the month

ZANIB MIAN



Little Rebels Children's Book Award  
2018 for 'The Muslims'.

It was at primary school that Zanib fell in love with writing. Despite this, she studied molecular cell biology at university and became a secondary science teacher before starting her career in publishing.

She realised that there was not always representation for every child in books, so set up Sweet Apple Publishing with a clear intention to publish representative children's books.

Zanib Mian says:

If you like **Annabelle Sami** or **Sam Copeland**, you'll love these books!

*Tell the stories  
that you have  
lived. People  
want to read  
them!*

# Golden coins



Georgie A, Anna Mc, Robyn I,  
Sophia W, Ava Mc



# Poem of the week

April 1st

Our teacher's looking nervous  
I think she's feeling tense-  
sixty eyes all watch her closely,  
we're tingling with suspense.  
she shrewdly tests her chair seat,  
before daring to sit down-  
her eyes flick, spy-like, round the room  
under a worried frown.  
She peers into her pencil pot  
as if it's going to bite-  
and slowly takes her pencil out  
to check before she writes,  
Out thirty watchful faces  
all tell that something's up-  
then her attention fastens  
on her waiting coffee cup.  
'I think I'll leave my coffee,  
till after the registration,  
I apologize if this frustrates  
your keen anticipation!'  
She opens up the register,  
says, 'Its's very quiet in school...'  
then out it jumps, and she screams, 'AAAARGH'  
and we scream, 'APRIL FOOL!'

## Times Table Rock Stars day

On Friday 21st April 2023, we are holding our Times Table Rock Stars Day. Children to wear their favourite Rockstar outfit.

Get practicing your timetables!





# Well done

Our Guess the Teddy and Rabbit winners are:

Scarlett - 1/2T  
Mrs B from the office.

Well done to them both.



# Competition winner

Our allotment had a competition for years 3 and 4 to design a logo for our allotment and supermarket share group.

The winners are.

**Tom - 3K**  
**Tilly- 3/4K**  
**Issac- 4T**

# Donations

If anyone has any old tyres that they would like to donate to our school. We would be grateful as the children enjoy using the tyres to climb on.



# ATTENDANCE

*Do you know  
the crucial effect  
those days off  
can have on  
your child's achievement?*

96% and  
below will  
result in  
under  
achievement



96-97%  
is  
satisfactory

98-99%  
is good

100%  
is excellent!

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Primary School





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**Half Term Value** -Kindness

**Value Behaviour of the Week** - : When people make mistakes we forgive them and don't hold grudges

### **Miss Hoang**

Nursery you have all had a wonderful term. You are all wonderful and watching you show kindness each and everyday is an absolute pleasure. We are all extremely proud of you. Have the most fantastic Easter break and we will see you all again in Summer.

### **Miss Lucas**

Reception, I could not be prouder of the term we have had. Each and every one of you have shown Kieron Kindness every single day. No matter how big or small your act of kindness has been, it has made others smile. You have all worked exceptionally hard in all aspects of school life and truly deserve a fun, relaxing and enjoyable break ☆

### **Year 1 - Mrs Wills**

Thank you 1W for a lovely Spring term. It is wonderful to see the progress you are all making. Each day you all demonstrate an enthusiasm for learning new things. You show our school values daily and are fantastic members of the school community. I can't believe we only have the Summer term left to complete!

Keep being yourselves and shining bright. Have a lovely Easter break.

### **Year 1 & 2 - Mrs Thomas**

Well done 12T for another fantastic term. It is a pleasure seeing you all grow up and working to the best of your ability. We have enjoyed so much learning. We have loved reading and retelling the story 'Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion' in our English writing. Learning about fractions has been challenging but you have worked so hard to understand the topic and have coped extremely well. We have also improved our knowledge on plants, the UK, spreadsheets and how to stay healthy. Enjoy your holidays - especially eating all the Easter Eggs that the Easter Bunny will deliver!

### **Year 2 - Miss Spencer**

You have all worked extremely hard this half term and you should all be so proud of yourselves. Have a restful holiday and enjoy Easter!



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### **Year 3 - Miss Keenan**

3K - I know I say this every term, but what an amazing six weeks! Where do I start? From telling the time to swimming to planting tomato and cress, we have had an absolute ball and made so much progress! It has been amazing to watch you continue to thrive and show the school values every day! You are an absolute joy to teach, and I cannot wait for our last full term to commence! YOU ARE AMAZING!

### **Year 3 & 4 - Mrs Kendall**

Another lovely half term, these last 6 weeks have really flown over! It has been wonderful to see the progress you are all making. I hope you all have a lovely Easter, and I will see you in a couple of weeks, ready and raring to go for our final term! Thank you to everyone in 3 and 4 K for being such a pleasure to teach.

### **Year 4 - Miss Thorneycroft**

4T what a fabulous half term we have had. I have noticed huge improvements in both your work and your attitudes! Let us keep up the good work! Well done 4T!

### **Year 5 - Miss Neale**

What a wonderful term we have had 5N! You have all worked hard and have each shown resilience, in your work keep it up! I am so proud of how you represented Halsnead during our visit to Jodrell Bank, showing our values throughout the trip. Have a lovely, well-deserved break and I cannot wait to see you all for our last term together!

### **Year 5 & 6 - Mr Doherty**

5/6D - You have blown me away with your efforts this half term. I have been particularly impressed with the kindness you have shown towards myself and others around school. You have worked your socks off this half term - enjoy the break and get rest ready for summer term. Well done all!

### **Year 6-Mr Lenaghan**

All 6L - This week draws an end to the children's final days of the Spring term in primary school and leaves us with one full-term left as the class of 6L. The children have worked incredibly hard this term and have been incredibly resilient in all their work. This two-week break is thoroughly deserved, and we know the children will come back after Easter fully motivated to do their best in their run up to SATs.