

MARSHLAND ST. JAMES SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are at the end of the third half term of this year, the time is going by so quickly!

This week in school we have carried out Phonics Screening Checks with our Year 1 children, and analysed outcomes to plan interventions for those identified children. We have also completed a round of Year 6 assessments, and again, from these, we have planned targeted group and individual interventions that will continue to support children in Reading, Writing and Maths.

This week in our Monday assembly we recognised Children's Mental Health Week, with the idea of 'This is My Place' - a focus on belonging and how feeling like you belong somewhere can have a positive impact on your mental health. We talked about where we belong; family, school, groups, and how we can help others to belong. Tuesday was Internet Safety Week. The focus this year is 'Smart Tech, Safe Choices - Exploring the Safe and Responsible Use of AI'. We thought about when we use AI in our daily lives and how we have to be careful with the information that it can generate with some classes joining in the UK-wide live lesson.

Have a wonderful weekend, and enjoy the half term when it arrives!

Ms Lucca and the MSJ team.

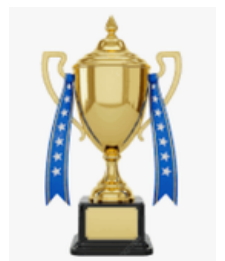


Our fabulous Year 6 children!

HOUSEPOINTS

Well done to **BLUE** team this week who won by 2 housepoints overall!

Good work from everyone!



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK AND INTERNET SAFETY WEEK.

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This week for children's mental health week the children in NRC have been busy talking about the different emotions we have and how those emotions can make us feel inside. We have practiced belly breathing exercises and talked through different ways we can help ourselves when we feel angry. We have listened to 'Rubys Worry' and discussed how we can make our worries smaller by sharing them with our trusted adults in school and at home. The children have also focused on the importance of being kind to one another and how being kind to other people not only makes them feel better but also makes us feel good too. I am so proud of the children and all of their progress this half term. I hope you all have a wonderful break and I will look forward to seeing them all on their return.
Miss Cadman



I/2B

We have all really thought about what 'mental health' means to us. Today we came in our own clothes and celebrated 'being ourselves' and we know that it is great to be us, we are enough!



3/4A



On Tuesday the 10th we took part in Safer Internet Day. The children had an informative assembly in the morning, followed by a live BBC lesson looking at AI, which they really enjoyed participating in. During the afternoon the children were able to discuss the use of AI and looked at the dangers of fake images.

5/6P

We have focused our computing lessons this half term on online safety. We have learnt about our online footprint, app permissions, AI, online bullying and how technology can affect our health and wellbeing



STARS OF THE WEEK



A huge 'Well Done' to:
Leonie, Sidney, Harry and RJ for being our stars of the week - Well done!



UPCOMING EVENTS



February

Monday 23rd February - First day back in school after half-term.

23rd - Bookable appointments in school with Georgie Baldwin (Early Help Community Worker) 12pm - 3pm.

March

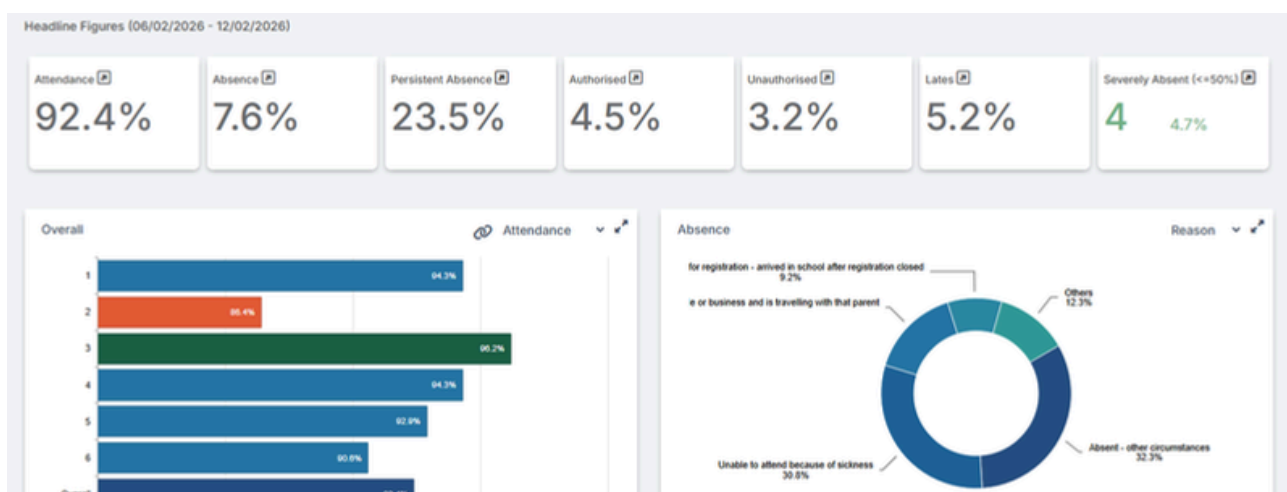
5th - World Book Day - dress up as favourite book character or come in pjs. (Age appropriate and sensible shoes as always please!) FOSA will also be organising an event on this day, **you should all now have the letter that was sent home last week.**

12th - Parent Consultations - to begin at 1.30pm in the hall.



ATTENDANCE

YEAR TO DATE: **93.7%**



SAFEGUARDING

NEW! Launched this week for Safer Internet Day: **The NSPCC** has partnered with Vodafone to develop an online safety guide for parents and carers of children under 5. The guide contains useful information about common risks this age group face, some guidance around screen time limits and lots of practical tips for families. [Link here.](#)

LEGO

Some of our children took part in a Lego group this half term, where they showed their turn taking, cooperation and teamwork skills.

What a great group!

