

Let your light shine...

# HSA NEWSLETTER



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## Happy New Year!

Welcome back, everyone!

It was lovely to be back together again as a learning community and see the children bright and chatty throughout a blustery week. We have wasted no time in getting started with an exciting term of learning. On Thursday children had a Mixed Martial Arts taster session, learning new ways of staying fit and growing self-discipline. All classes are learning Music this week - there has been some lovely singing around school. We are also preparing for the Young Voices "Wicked" singalong - enjoy your children practising defying gravity at home!

Ms Cooper

## UPCOMING EVENTS

FEB

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Parent Consultations

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Book Fair in school

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Values Day - Creativity

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Half term

## ATTENDANCE CUP

This week the winner of the Attendance Cup is...



Willow's attendance was 97.3%. This was in the last week of term - an excellent achievement.

Thank you for your dedication in getting children to school - our attendance as a school is above national averages. For advice on when to keep children at home please see: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

# Shining Lights Awards

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I was delighted that so many children were nominated as Shining Lights in this first week - 61 nominations! We could see children cooperating, being creative and using their curiosity. A great start!

## Elm

Alvin  
Casey  
Maddison  
Hudson  
Melody  
Kayden  
Ryan  
Molly  
Lily  
Ahmad  
Tyrese  
Albie  
Hayden

## Willow

Emmy  
Dua  
Christy-ana  
Christian  
Ava  
Lola  
Jeremiah  
Aliah-Marie

## Hazel

Flavius  
Reggie  
Carter  
Bethany  
Ben  
Jacob  
Olivia-Rae  
Darayus  
Theo  
ALL OF HAZEL - for learning to salsa dance in Music.

## Birch

Ella  
Ellie  
Maddison  
Emel  
Taliyah  
Beverley-Anne

## Hawthorn

Rayana  
Lottie  
Harper  
Jacob  
Lennie

## Ash

Alfie  
Daniil



# Staying Safe



## Online Safety

This is your regular reminder that keeping children safe online is not easy. Your presence and understanding are the most important things. Online dangers change rapidly and sometimes tools like youtube kids settings don't keep up.

Please have a look at this really helpful guide from the Children's Commissioner. It is called 'What I wish my parents knew' and gives a valuable insight to young people's views of the online world. One young person interviewed had these words of advice to us parents:

**"Don't be afraid to be firm... If you are worried [that] your child is seeing harmful content and you don't know what they're watching and it's affecting the behaviour, just take it that you know best - they don't."**

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/>



### Winter Weather

Please make sure children have coats, hats and warm weather gear during the coldest weeks of the year.

If your child wears wellies on the walk to school, please bring a pair of school shoes to wear indoors. A day of wellies is not a comfy day!

### MOBILE PHONES

**Please do not use mobile phones on the playground.**

We remind you of the following school rules, which are here to keep your children safe:

**\*Do not take photos on the school site unless you have permission**

**\*No filming on school site.**

Please expect us to challenge you if you have your mobile phone out. We may ask you to delete any photos or video footage taken without consent.

# Mixed Martial Arts and Salsa - HSA is on the move in the new year!

