

# **John Donne Primary School**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredible Spring Term your children have had at school – they continue to learn something new each and every day and are making excellent progress across the curriculum - we are extremely proud of each and every one of them and I wanted to share my thanks to our wonderful teachers and support staff as well as you, the parents and carers, for making sure our children improve on their previous best each and every day.

This week, we have had the pleasure of not one, but two class assemblies. We began with the wonderful Red 5, who shared with us their learning about the Ancient Benin Kingdom. I was beyond impressed with the children for remembering ALL of their lines, for speaking clearly and I particularly enjoyed our budding reporters in the Newsround section. Red 1 also gave a fantastic assembly based on their Geography learning on the seven continents. I learned some fascinating facts and I have not been able to get the continent song out of my head!

This week some of our pupils in KS2 had their LAMDA poetry exam. Many of you know that poetry is an important part of John Donne and I am so pleased that our pupils had an opportunity to showcase their talents and performances with the wider community. Of course, a big thank you to Miss Naomi for instilling that passion and love of poetry and words into our school and for the parent and carer community for helping your children practice for their exam — no matter the outcome of these, you should be extremely proud of yourselves as I know we are of you.

Finally – just a reminder that school will now be closed until we return on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**. As always, we really appreciate that you ensure your children are here on time and as much as possible so that they have an opportunity to take part in all of the incredible learning and opportunities that our staff prepare for them. I hope you all have a wonderful Easter break, however you choose to spend it, and that the Easter bunny brings you lots of Easter eggs. See you then!

Mr James

**Deputy Headteacher** 

## This week's class attendance winner is:



**Red 1** 98.3%



#### **MORNING GATE RULES:**

The school gates open at **8.40am**.

All Children (except year 6) must be accompanied by an adult at all time until the gate opens.

# ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance target is **97%**Our overall attendance this week is **93.2%** 

Well done to Red 1 achieving 98.3% attendance this week!

Class	Attendance	Lates
Nursery	87.5%	0
Reception Red	88.5%	1
Reception Green	94.2%	0
Red 1	98.3%	0
Green 1	96.7%	0
Red 2	86.8%	0
Green 2	96.3%	0
Red 3	95.4%	0
Green 3	95.5%	0
Red 4	91%	0
Green 4	95.2%	4
Red 5	92.4%	1
Green 5	95.7%	0
Red 6	96.9%	0
Green 6	88.6%	0

### **Punctuality**

Well done to the classes who have achieved 100% punctuality this week!

Thank you to everyone, who is making the effort to ensure their children are in school on time. The more time a pupil is in school the more likely they are to improve their opportunity to fulfil their full potential.

# Parents Information Board



#### **INFORMAION MEETINGS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

We will be having our information sharing meetings the first and second week back after the Easter break. These meetings are an opportunity for the class teachers to share important information about what your children will be learning in the summer term, as well as other information such as key dates, trips and visits and whole school reminders. All meetings will take place in our **Community Space from 08:45 – 09:15**. See you there!

Wednesday 17th April – Reception – Phonics Workshop

Friday 19th April – Year 6

Monday 22nd April -Year 4

Tuesday 23rd April – Year 3

Thursday 25th April – Year 2

Friday 26th April - Year 5



#### **Term Dates 2023-24**

Term	Start	End
Spring 1	Thursday 4th January 2024	Friday 9th February 2024
<u>Half Term</u>	Monday 12th February 2024	Friday 16th February 2024
Spring 2	Monday 19th February 2024	Thursday 28th March 2024 @ 2pm
<u>Easter</u>	Friday 29th March 2024	Friday 12th April 2024
Summer 1	Monday 15th April 2024	Friday 24th May 2024
<u>Half Term</u>	Monday 27th May 2024	Friday 31st May 2024
Summer 2	Monday 3rd June 2024	Friday 19th July 2024 @ 2pm

#### Bank Holidays- Monday 6th May 2024





#### <u>INSTAGRAM/</u> <u>TWITTER</u>



Please make sure you follow us on Instagram and Twitter, @JDPSoffice. We will be posting live updates and

pictures to show what is going on within your child's school day.















#### **Music Concert**

Our (postponed)
Spring Music Concert
will be on Thursday
25th April at 2pm



Everyone keep doodling over the half term. You can log in to join the Spring Challenge from 1st —30th April, to earn a free reward!

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