

***We will aspire to great things, shine our light and reach our God given potential.***

*‘let your light shine.’ (Matthew 5:16)*

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Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all have a lovely holiday.

We have kicked of the new year with snow and ice, which has made it a very interesting first week. Despite not being able to use the playground, our children have been great and taken the changes to the organisation of school in their stride. I would like to thank you all for your patience and support in the changes we have made over the past few days. I totally understand that these may have been inconvenient to some but they have helped to ensure that we have all been safe.

The weather forecast is showing slightly warmer weather on Sunday and next week so hopefully things will quickly get back to normal. At the moment we plan to revert back to using the side entrance to school on Monday (not the park gate) and normal drop off and collection times. If anything changes, we will update you first thing on Monday morning.

**Collective Worship**

This week we looked at resolutions and tied this in with one of our 3Rs - resilience. We discussed how we could either give up when things went wrong or we could try again. The children talked about their resolutions and how they could achieve these.

**Important Dates**

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| **W/C 13th January 2025** | **W/C 20th January 2025** | **W/C 27th January 2025** |
| 16th - Nightingale Class Assembly @2.30pm | 23rd - Sparrowhawks Class Assembly @9am | 30th - Parents Working Party 9am@KS2 |

**Special mentions**

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| **Year**  | **Learning Award** | **Value Award** | **Reading Award** |
| **F2** | **Kingfishers-** Amaya – Always putting 100% into everything she does. | **Kingfishers-** Evalyn – Being resilient in her learning.  Evalyn built a house with Miss Smith and shared advice on making the house better. | **Kingfishers-**  Frankie – Trying his best to be independent in his reading. |
| **Y1** | **Nightingale-**Philip P (Y1) for being an all round super learner. Philip has impressed me in every lesson this week!**Skylarks-** Sophie - for independently writing in revision and forming letters correctly. | **Nightingale-**Jessie (Y2) for always being respectful. Jessie is consistently kind, considerate and thoughtful.**Skylarks-** Paisley - For always being ready to learn on the carpet and being an excellent role model in class. | **Nightingale-** Ophelia (Y1) for being more confident in reading practice and trying really hard.**Skylarks-** Sofia - for being a phonics superstar twice this week!  |
| **Y2** | **Puffins-**Wednesday - for fantastic maths work about money | **Puffins-**Flynn - for his resilience when coming back to school with a broken leg but getting through the school day with lots of smiles!  | **Puffins-**Pippa - for her fluent reading and expression and fantastic effort in reading lessons.  |
| **Y3** | **Swift-**Bodhi, for a fantastic piece of snow day writing.**Swallow-** Arlowe,Showing a passion for her learning in science and investigating fossils outside of school, we are very impressed, well done!**Housemartins-**Willow - learning award for both her engagement with home learning and her great attitude to learning especially in English where we have begun our new class text The Last Bear. | **Swift-**Ailbe, for taking responsibility for his own behaviour.**Swallow-**Lucas -  Being a fantastic role model and always being respectful, well done!**Housemartins-**James - for following the 3Rs - he has had a fantastic attitude to learning this week. | **Swift-**Oliver M, for working extra hard in reading practice**Swallow-** Penny, Demonstrating good expression in reading during guided reading lessons, well done!**Housemartins-**Marnie - reading champion for her work in phonics and passing her assessment before Christmas. Well done Marnie. |
| **Y4** | **Avocets-** Tino, for his hard work in maths and pushing himself to complete the task.**Curlews-** Noah, for his incredible effort in every lesson this week and for producing some absolutely fabulous work! Keep up the great work!**Oystercatchers-**Ben - for working extremely hard in PE and impressing us all. | **Avocets-** Benny,for pushing himself even when he finds things tricky.**Curlews-** Isla B, for always having an amazing attitude towards all learning and for showing all of our school values in everything she does! **Oystercatchers-**Noah - for always being respectful, thoughtful and kind. | **Avocets-**Lacey-Mae - Reading Champion- for her enthusiasm for reading and her respect for our lovely class books.**Curlews-** Perran, for his positive attitude towards reading this week and choosing to read more independently! Well done!**Oystercatchers-** Crystal - for being such an enthusiastic reader. |
| **Y5** | **Kestrel-** Clara: fantastic learning in all subjects this week but particular with her science work on Sir Isaac Newton.**Merlin-**Georgina for her amazing contributions in maths and being resilient enough to keep trying when she found it tricky.**Peregrines-** Rogan B for improving his presentation in his maths work. | **Kestrel-**Eva: for helping Miss Khan as she settles into school, being a good role model and showing us all how it's done!**Merlin-**Teddy for shining his light and showing resistance in Topic. He found it tricky with all the vocabulary but kept trying.**Peregrines-** Olive S for resilience, keeping on trying even when she found something tricky. | **Kestrel-**Lilly: fantastic answers when trying a new way of reading practise!**Merlin-**Eryn for showing amazing resilience and responsibility when in reading practice as it is a new layout. **Peregrines-** Amber G Always having a positive attitude towards reading and trying her best. |
| **Y6** | **Kites-**Alex K - learning award for his prior knowledge on our new topic of WW2 **Eagles-** Rossi- For sharing his knowledge of WW2 with the class.**Sparrowhawks-** Shilah- always works hard and is a dedicated learner. | **Kites-**Jessica H - value award for the resilience she has shown during her editing sessions **Eagles-** Eliana- For always being responsible for her learning and supporting her peers. **Sparrowhawks-** Bella,for her Excellent discussions about the text and was a very supportive partner. | **Kites-** TJ - reading award for showing a great interest in WW2 literature **Eagles-** Oscar- For showing enthusiasm when completing his choral reading in class. **Sparrowhawks-** Eliza,For showing great responsibility and resilience in all aspects of her learning. |

**Attendance**

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| **Class** | **Weekly Attendance Figure**  |
| **F2 - Kingfisher**  | **95.19%** |
| **F2/Y1 – Skylark** | **94%** |
| **Y1/Y2 - Nightingale** | **93.75%** |
| **Y2 – Puffin**  | **96.55%** |
| **Y3** | **House Martin** | **Swift** | **Swallow** |
| **93.48%** | **84.26%** | **97.4%** |
| **Y4** | **Avocet** | **Oystercatcher** | **Curlew** |
| **93.97%** | **97.92%** | **90.95%** |
| **Y5** | **Merlin** | **Kestrel** | **Peregrine**  |
| **88.39%** | **98.33%** | **95.26%** |
| **Y6** | **Sparrowhawk** | **Eagle** | **Kite** |
| **96.2%** | **94.57%** | **90.63%** |

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Adam Minor

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed (Proverbs 16:3).