Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to all those who attended our Phonics open session this week. I hope you found the session useful and now have an understanding of the strategies we use in school to teach phonics.

I would also like to thank our team of volunteers who have worked so hard to improve our allotment area this week. I am really looking forward to seeing this area take shape over the next few months!

During assembly this week we talked about Safer Internet Day and the children identified the following ways they could keep safe online:

- Letting grown ups know if they see something online that is scary or worries them.
- Make sure they do not speak to anyone online that they do not know.
- Checking with parents/carers before downloading any new games in case they are not suitable.
- Do not give out your name or address to anyone online.

Class Assemblies

Rainbow I led a brilliant assembly today. The children retold the story of 'The Gingerbread Man' and created their own Gingerbread men using different materials. Class assemblies will start promptly at 9:20 and may last around 30 minutes. Unfortunately photographs and video recordings will not be permitted during the assembly but there will be an opportunity for this at the end of the assembly.

Friday 1 st March	Rainbow 2
Friday 8 th March	Rainbow 3



Action required

- Reception Bear Hunt Trip Payment and Consent needed by Monday 11th March This will need to be completed using ParentPay.
- Year 1 Forest School Trips Payment and Consent needed by Monday 29th April
- Year 2 Forest School Trips Payment and Consent needed by Monday 15th April

Reminders

- Parents' Evening meetings take place on Tuesday 13th February and Thursday 15th February. Please enter the school via main reception. Red Class will be in the staffroom and Yellow Class will be in the PPA room.
- Please remember to park considerately and do not park over driveways, this is disrespectful to local residents.
- Please do not use Class Dojo to report absences, please contact Reception via phone or email.



Measles is circulating

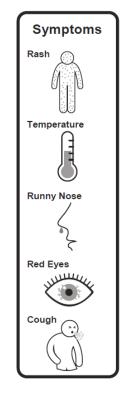
You may have seen the news about the increasing number of measles cases in Leicester. We know that there has been a significant number of outbreaks in schools in our city and across the country.

It's important that if you would like to be vaccinated, or if you are unsure of your vaccination status, you contact your GP. They will be able to either provide information about your vaccination status or organise your vaccination for you.

- Measles is extremely infectious and can be serious
- Make sure your children get two MMR vaccines on time; the first at 1 year of age and the second at 3 years, 4 months
- If you or your children missed these vaccines, it's not too late.
 Ask for the free vaccine from your family doctor (GP) if you or your children aren't up-to-date
- If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. STAY AWAY from GP surgeries and A&E departments – you could spread the illness to others
- Symptoms include: high fever; sore red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the first symptoms
- Go to nhs.uk for more measles information

I am looking forward to seeing you during parents' evening next week and hope to be able to catch up with some of you to hear any positive feedback or any worries or concerns you may have.

Take Care, Mrs Holmes



Dates for your diary

Tuesday 13 th February	Pancake Day themed school dinner menu - <u>Click here for menu</u>
Tuesday 13 th February and	Parents Evenings
Thursday 15 th February	
Friday 16 th February	Coffee Morning for parents and carers
	End of term
Half Term	
Wednesday 13 th March	Blue Class and Indigo Class Spring Assembly
Thursday 14 th March	Violet Class and Green Class Spring Assembly
Friday 15 th March	Inset day – School closed to children
Wednesday 20 th March	Rainbow 1 Bear Hunt Trip
Thursday 21 st March	Rainbow 3 Bear Hunt Trip
Friday 22 nd March	Rainbow 2 Bear Hunt Trip