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DATES

February

- Thur 15th**—After school, Y4 Parent Meeting regarding London residential
- Fri 16th**—Break up for Half term holiday
3.15—4.15 FoWs Valentine Disco, £2.00 (please book on School Spider)
- Mon 26th**—Inset Day - School closed to Pupils
- Tues 27th**—School reopens

March

- Thur 7th**—World Book Day
- Fri 15th**—Classes 2 & 3 to World Museum
- Wed 20th**—Reception & Y6 Parents and Carers Evening, Night 1
- Thurs 21st**—Y4 visiting London (Mrs Broom, Mr David and Mrs Downey)
Reception & Y6 Parents and Carers Evening, Night 2
- Thurs 28th**—Last day of the Spring term

April

- Mon 15th**—First day of the Summer term

Residential Payment Deadlines

- Friday 1st March**—Y4 London Payment deadline
- Monday 20th May**—Y6 Min-y-Don Payment deadline
- Monday 6th June**—Y2 & Y3 Tattenhall Payment deadline

We are now taking bookings for our Summer Club and Easter Club.
Bookings can be made via School Spider

Bonus Ball Lottery

Results the last few weeks

03/02/2024	46ROLLOVER	
07/02/2024	42Di Buckley	£50



We are immensely proud of our Young Voice Singers and their dedication to musical excellence. Participating in a choir not only honed vocal skills but also fostered invaluable character development. Through teamwork, discipline and perseverance, choir members learnt the importance of collaboration and commitment, building confidence and resilience along the way. It was also great to spend time with our Acorn's friends. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the staff and parents whose unwavering support made this event possible.

FoWs Valentine Disco

Have you booked your place?

On Friday 16th February, FoWs will be holding a Valentine Disco for the children. It will run from 3.15 to 4.15 in the school hall. Tickets, priced at £2.00, can be conveniently purchased through the school spider.

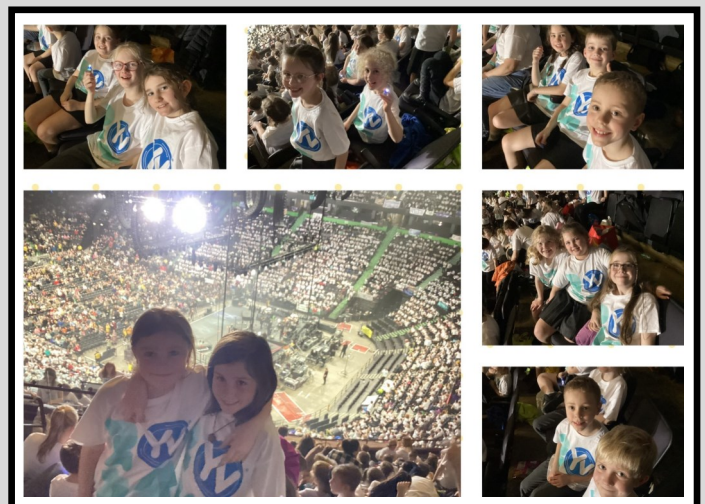


**Make sure your child
is up to date with their
MMR vaccinations**

Check your child's red book, and make an appointment with your GP practice to catch up on missed doses



Read more on page 3



Ask me a question about what I have learnt this week!

Reception

Maths - Can you make a pattern with some objects?



We would love to see your patterns. Please feel free to email them to us.

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Year 1—Year 6

Parents and guardians, we encourage you to engage with your children during Mental Health Week by asking questions from our discussion cards. These prompts are designed to spark meaningful conversations about mental health and wellbeing, fostering understanding and support within families. You can find the discussion card in your child's reading folder.

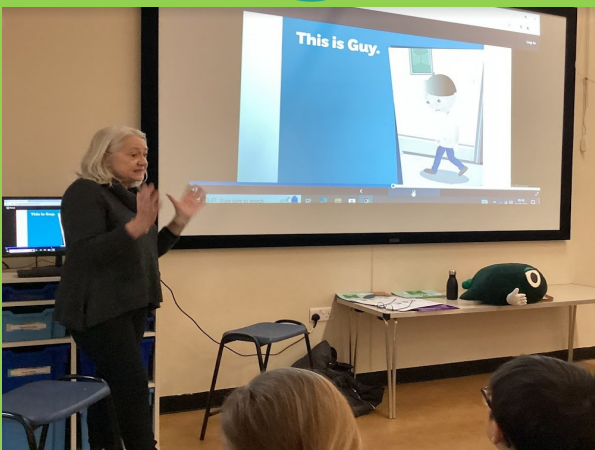


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**CHILDREN'S
MENTAL HEALTH
WEEK**

5-11
FEB
2024

Children's Mental Health Week, which took place from 5-11 February 2024, centered around the theme 'My Voice Matters'. The initiative aimed to empower children and young people by equipping them with the means to express themselves effectively. Empowerment correlates positively with wellbeing; when children feel heard and capable of effecting change, they develop a stronger sense of community and self-esteem. This year's focus was on fostering collaboration among children of diverse backgrounds and abilities to enact positive change in mental health and wellbeing. Throughout the week, the message resounded: "My Voice Matters."



Cheshire West & Chester Council

Public Health

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Your reference:
Our reference: **MMR/1/24**

Email: enquiries@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk
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Date: January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

MMR and Measles

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has reported an increase in measles across the country with a recent outbreak in the West Midlands region of England. Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools, and can be a very unpleasant illness. In some children, measles can be very serious and lead to hospitalisation – and in rare cases tragically can cause death.

The free MMR vaccine is a safe and effective way of protecting against measles, as well as mumps and rubella, and help stop outbreaks in the community. We are calling on all parents and guardians to make sure that they and their children have had two doses of the MMR vaccine.

It's important for parents to take up the offer of MMR vaccination for their children when offered at 1 year of age and as a pre-school booster at three years, four months of age. If children and young adults have missed these vaccinations in the past, it's important to take up the vaccine now from GPs, particularly in light of the recent cases.

Check your child's Red Book to see if they've received MMR vaccinations as scheduled or check with your GP surgery if you're unsure. Most healthy adults will have developed some immunity to measles but can still receive two doses of the vaccine from their GP too.



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Anyone with symptoms is also being advised to stay at home and phone their GP or NHS 111 for advice.

Measles symptoms to be aware of include:

- high fever
- sore, red, watery eyes
- coughing
- aching and feeling generally unwell
- a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

For more information about measles, see the nhs.uk website [here](#).


To find out more about childhood vaccinations, please visit the NHS website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/>

[What do I need to know about the MMR vaccine? - UK Health Security Agency \(blog.gov.uk\)](#)

Thank you once again for your continued co-operation.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Helen Bromley', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Helen Bromley
Director of Public Health

Can you help

As spring approaches we are looking at revamping our outdoor provision. We are in need of sourcing the following items. Please let Miss Keegan, Mr David or Mrs Hirst know if you, or anyone you know are able to help in any way.

As always, thank you for your contued support. Your help makes the world of difference to our children's experiences at school.

We are looking for:

- **Large logs, both long and round for sitting and balancing on—we need lots of these please!**
- **Tyres of all different sizes.**
- **Scrap wood for wood working area.**
- **Old pots and pans, metal utensils, large catering size pans for the mud kitchen.**
- **Play sand.**
- **Stones / gravel for digging in.**
- **Pond liner / tarpaulin.**
- **Sturdy plastic milk crates for stacking and climbing on.**
- **Compost.**
- **Seeds, bedding plants, lavender etc.**
- **Large clear Perspex sheeting.**

