

Dates for
the Diary:

Hella
February

2023

Diary Dates Week Commencing 13th February

Mon 13th February	- Fimo Afterschool Club
Tues 14th February	- Ali Heath Sewing Club 1 TBC
Wed 15th February	- Sports Afterschool Club
Thurs 16th February	- Drama Afterschool Club
Fri 17th February	- Stencil & Spirograph Afterschool Club
	- Photography Afterschool Club
	- Ali Heath Sewing Club 2
	- 9:00 Running Club
	- Forest School for Little Lambs & Merlin Class
	- Lego Afterschool Club
	- Free Dress Day
	- Celebration Assembly
	- No afterschool Clubs
	- FOSS Disco 15:30 Village Hall

Half-Term

Diary Dates Week Commencing 27th February

Mon 27th February	- Fimo Afterschool Club
Tues 28th February	- Ali Heath Sewing Club 1 TBC
Wed 1st March	- Sports Afterschool Club
Thurs 2nd March	- Drama Afterschool Club
Fri 3rd March	- KS2 Cross Country Stratford Park 13:00 - 15:00
	- Stencil & Spirograph Afterschool Club
	- Photography Afterschool Club
	- Ali Heath Sewing Club 2
	- No Running Club
	- WORLD BOOK DAY
	- Lego Afterschool Club
	- Celebration Assembly
	- Forest School for Kestrel & Eagle Classes
	- Mad Hatters Reading Afterschool Club
	- Board Games Afterschool Club



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Dear Parents,

The past couple of weeks have been as busy as ever and the children have been working hard during lessons and at play. Children in year 4,5 and 6 were pleased to be able to take part in the K'Nex Challenge and we are really delighted that Layla and Jessie have been selected to take part in the finals of this event at Renishaw later in the year.

The Tudor theme is in full swing with the older children continuing to craft their own wooden spatulas in Forest School as well immersing themselves in the historical aspects of how people lived and the differences in society. I have spent time in all classes in the past couple of weeks, looking at teaching and learning and as ever I am always impressed with the knowledge children have and the questions they ask. In addition, the children in Year 1 and 2 have been dressing up as people from the Tudor period and the children in EYFS have been doing lots of cooking - yesterday they made potage with ingredients the Tudors would have used. The voice collectives song writing project for year 5 and 6 is also developing well. Mrs. Powell and I heard the children sing the first part of the song they have written and it sounds amazing!

The swimming gala was a great success last week and Mr. Dangerfield and I were really impressed with the children on the team. Not only for swimming their very best but also for their camaraderie and team work throughout the event. The week we've taken all of Year 1 and 2 to the Endball event at Archway School. The children had a great time and behaviour and their team work was also excellent, which makes us all very proud. Coming up next is a cross country running event for children in year 3 upwards. Children who expressed an interest have had a paper copy of the letter sent home, please do let us know if your child wants to take part because we need to book the right sized coach for this event. Letters were also sent by email to all parents so if your child has changed their mind and now wants to do this just let us know by Monday.

Attendance remains at 93% overall and we still need to see this rise, we need to get back at least to pre covid levels of 95% or above and we can't do this without your help. We understand that illness and other emergencies can prevent attendance but a polite reminder please from the staff team and Governors in charge of attendance that your family holidays should be taken in the school holidays and not in term time. Once again, a reminder that we do not offer flexi-schooling so your child should be in attendance every day that the school is open.

Next week on Wednesday we will be welcoming two new student teachers to our school. Miss April Daniels will be working with Mr. Ringer and Mrs. Curzon in Kestrel Class up and Miss Lily Byard will be working with Mr. Gardner and Mrs. Breare in Year 1 and 2. The teaching placements last until Easter and they are already looking forward to meeting the children and staff.

We have one more week to go before half term and Friday is a non-uniform day with the FOSS disco after school in the village hall. There will be no PE next Friday afternoon as a result, so that children do not need to change clothes or footwear.

Have a restful weekend,

Kind regards,
 Vicky Dangerfield





K'Nex Challenge & Endball Tournament

