

## HEADTEACHER COMMENT OF THE WEEK

A warm welcome back to all of our children and families. As you can see the staggered starts and ends to our day are running smoothly. Thank you for your continued support and understanding. The children and staff are so pleased to be back. It has been wonderful this week seeing a full academy with all of our children back in classes. The children are enjoying the exciting curriculum activities and are so enthusiastic about their work.

There is new guidance in relation to families having access to home testing. Please check our website for details. Follow the quick news link to see how to get your home testing kits.

The children look really smart in their school uniform. Please ask in reception if you need any additional items. We will be having some uniform sales over the next few weeks. Look out for information in the newsletter.

Attendance is really important. It's super to see so many pupils back in school but our attendance is lower than normal. Please can we work together to improve this. The children are really keen to win our attendance awards too. Thank you.

I look forward to us getting together soon, when it is safe to do so. We hope that later this year you will be able to join us for events and activities. We have an exciting year ahead in relation to the curriculum offer and the range of activities that the children will take part in.

Mrs M Lathbury-Cox

## Term Dates

A reminder below of our term dates for the spring & summer terms.

Term ends for Easter break – Thursday 1 April  
**Easter holiday: Friday 2 April to Friday 16 April**

Summer term starts: Monday 19 April (INSET – Closed to children)  
Children return Tuesday 20 April  
**Half term: Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June**

INSET: May 2021 (date TBC)  
Term ends; Wednesday 21 July  
Summer holiday begins: Thursday 22 July

### Reedswood Family Challenge!

We are starting a Reedswood family challenge to support the wellbeing of our children. They will be sent out each Friday as part of our newsletter. These are fun challenges that you can enjoy with your children at home, there will be two to choose from. Please share any you complete on our social media @reedswoodeact for us to see.

Challenge 1: Devise an exercise routine using funky moves.

Challenge 2: Design your own game and play with the people in your house.

### Community News

Financial support available for Taxi drivers and other trades

There are a range of grants available through Walsall Council's Discretionary Programme, designed to support a variety of trades and applicants, which includes Taxi drivers.

These applications are still open for applications, which if successfully secured by applicants (subject to eligibility etc.) could provide grants totalling up to £4,750

Payments are of course subject to eligibility checks etc made through the completion of on-line application portals.

**The link for applying for the grants is [www.grantapproval.co.uk](http://www.grantapproval.co.uk).**

A 16-page pdf guide is available to support application process.

Please contact

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### Uniform Sale

We have a limited number of Reedswood logo waterproof coats for sale.

They are normally for sale at £14.50 however we have reduced to the fantastic price of £10.00 per coat\*

\*limited stock available in various sizes.

### CLASS ATTENDANCE

RLW 89.05%

RLT 91.95%

1CO 96.08%

**1VG 99.58%**

2LP 83.48%

2CG 88.33%

3PG 93.1%

3HF 99.14%

4WC 97.03%

4KR 94.31%

5PB 93.64%

5HT 87.5%

6HL 95%

6BH 85.9%

6RF 92.86%

Well done to **1VG**  
this week for  
achieving **99.58%**



Overall attendance

92.43%

**Newsletter**  
**Spring Term 2 Week 3**  
**Week ending**  
**12 March 2021**

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