

# Pittington Primary School

## Newsletter

8th March 2024



### Calendar Dates

#### March

- 13th - EYFS Open evening - New Parents
- 14th - KS1 Invasion Games Festival
- 15th - Reception Church Visit
- 19th - Year 5/6 TAG Rugby Skills Festival
- 21st - World Maths Day
- 22nd - Y3 Cookery Workshop
- 25th - Spring Parent Coffee Morning  
9.00am - 9.45am
- 28th - Year 3/4 Easter Performance
- 28th - School closes for Easter



More details will follow if your child is involved in any activities

### After School Activities

- ☒ KS2 Cookery  
- Tue
- ☒ SATs Booster  
Y6 - Wed
- ☒ Computing  
Club - Wed
- ☒ AE Sports  
Y5/6- Fri (am)
- ☒ AE Sports  
Multi Skills  
Y1/2- Fri



**Football**  
Durham City  
League 1

Pittington 0 - 0 Cassop  
Pittington 1 - 1 St  
Oswalds



### WORLD MATHS DAY - 21st March

Children are invited to come in fancy-dress to celebrate World Maths Day 2024 and to take part in our competitions both at home and in school.

Maths is a huge area and the scope for fancy dress is larger than it might initially seem..... there are lots of ideas online that can be found very quickly but examples could be:

- shape themed costumes, symmetry, choosing a number which is relevant to the child, dice design, one of the four operations (add, subtract, divide and multiply)

### 'Extreme Maths' Challenge

We would love children to share some of their 'Extreme Maths' activities on Tapestry. These can be photos or videos of maths in weird and wonderful places or situations - think 'Maths up a mountain', 'Counting keepy ups', 'Upside down x tables' or 'Shape hunting walking the hamster!'

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# Celebration Assembly Winners



Each week, class teachers choose one child to receive a 'Pupil of the Week' award for something notable that they have achieved. A pupil is also chosen to receive a 'Curriculum Award' for working hard in lessons.

## Pupil of the Week

Reception: Harry J  
Year 1: Skye G  
Year 2: Joel R  
Year 3: Henri A  
Year 4: Robin K  
Year 5: Lucas S  
Year 6: Jake T



## Curriculum Award

Reception: Daniel B  
Year 1: Lyra K  
Year 2: Ailsa I  
Year 3: Florence J  
Year 4: Lillith R  
Year 5: Freddie T  
Year 6: Leon G



## Attendance



Please ring the school office to report the reason for your child's absence **each day**.

Whole school  
attendance  
target

96%+

## Whole School Attendance

Week ending 1.3.24

95.1%

ALMOST  
THERE!

## Class Attendance

Reception: 92.59%  
Year 1: 100.00%  
Year 2: 98.62%  
Year 3: 97.41%  
Year 4: 97.00%  
Year 5: 92.14%  
Year 6: 87.14%

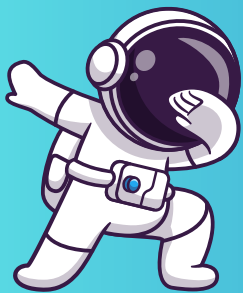


Attendance Winners

**YEAR 1**



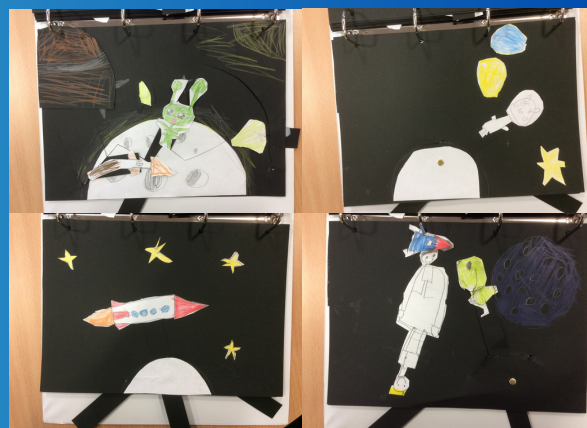
# Take a look at what has been happening at Pittington Primary School ...



In nursery we have been blasting off into space in the new space station role play area. We have been enjoying dressing as astronauts, climbing into the rocket and going on exciting space adventures. We have also been talking about the stars and the planets and being astronomers looking through the telescope.



Our creative Year 1 children have been learning how to make a moving picture using different mechanisms. We learnt how to make a slider and use split pins to make a lever and a wheel in our focussed tasks. We then designed and made our own space-themed moving picture using one or two of the mechanisms. I think you will agree they look amazing!



## Design Technology



Year 5 have started the construction of their electrical vehicles in D.T.



We have demonstrated how safe we can be using tools.

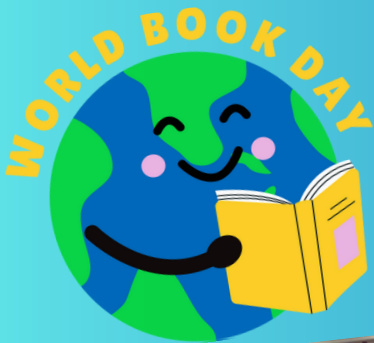


## Vikings



Year 6 enjoyed working with our Viking visitor. We were lucky enough to try on some clothing, help with some weaving and even got to handle some real-life Viking spears and axes!





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We had the most fun guessing who the Masked Readers were. All of the children were excellent at thinking carefully about the clues left for them by Horse, Strawberry and Broccoli!

Cosying up with a book and sharing our favourite stories with our friends and teachers was just amazing! We all love to read!

### Dens and Slumber Parties



Listening to  
lots of  
stories!



Reading Together

### Sharing our favourite books

