

Headteacher Awards

Tree Frogs Oscar
Koalas Otis
Pandas Edward
Tigers Harriett



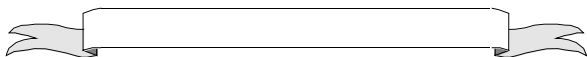
Pride Awards

Tree Frogs Maya
Koalas Isabelle
Pandas Arsenii
Tigers Susie



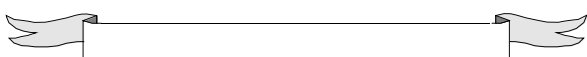
House Points

Lygon 621 Russell 583
Morris 599 Eadburgha 630



Attendance this week

Tree Frogs 100%
Koalas 100%
Pandas 100%
Tigers 100%



Message from Mr Poultney:

Welcome back everyone. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and wish you a Happy New Year.

We are delighted to see everyone back in school and we were excited to see all classes record 100% attendance this week. That meant every child was in our attendance lottery with Emilia and Andreas this week's lucky winners. We also got to celebrate the 13 children that achieved 100% attendance last term. Everybody now has the chance to make it through the Spring term with 100% so we'll be looking forward to seeing even more children on the list come Easter.

A reminder that the school day BEGINS at 8.50 and that is when we will seek to close the gates. We are unable to supervise the playground after this time so please ensure you and your child arrive in good time.

As we enter a new term, please note that the class teacher is usually the first port of call for any queries or concerns regarding your child. They can be approached before or after the school day or we have a box in our foyer where you can request they contact you. If you feel your concern is of a more serious nature then of course approach myself or another senior member of staff.

Spring term is always a vital time of the year as our children reinforce their learning and gear up towards the summer and end of year. Year 1 will be working hard ready for their statutory phonics assessment, Year 2 will have SATs in May and Year 4 will undertake their statutory multiplication screening. Your support in ensuring your children complete homework or receive additional help is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding how you can help at home then please chat with your child's teacher.

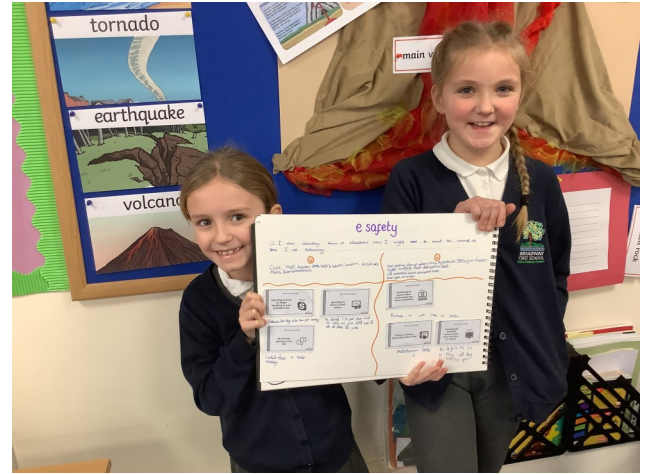
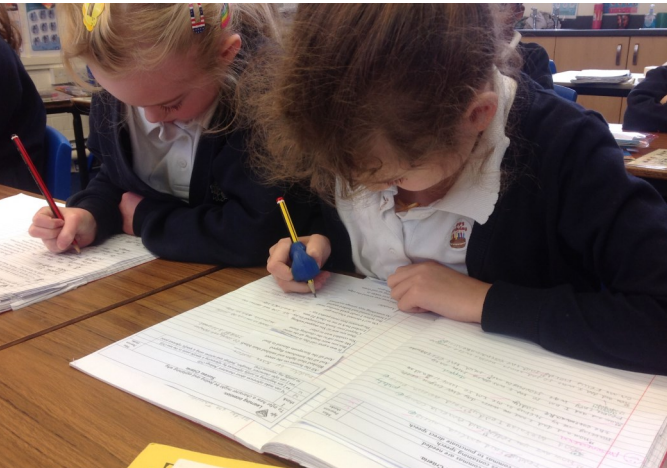
Have a super weekend.

Letters sent home this week:

- After School Clubs letter - if you would like your child to attend any activity clubs, please reply by **Monday 9th January**.

Tigers

We've had a lovely first week back in Tiger Class! In English, we have started our new unit on poetry and have performed our class text, 'The Bashful Earthquake'. In Maths, we have been showing our times tables pictorially and using them to answer word problems. We have also enjoyed playing tag rugby in PE with Miss Jones.



Pandas

Welcome back Pandas! We have worked incredibly hard this week. In English, we have started learning how to use inverted commas and how to punctuate direct speech. In Maths, we have started our unit of work focussing on multiplication and division and have showed great enthusiasm.

Koalas

Welcome back Koalas - we've had a good start to the new term. The children have come back refreshed and ready to learn lots of new things! This week, the children began learning about Islam in RE and in SMSC, they discussed their families and what they love about them. Koalas enjoyed PE with Mrs Jones where they continued to perfect their gymnastics poses and moves.



Tree Frogs

A lovely start to the new term with some new friends joining us in Tree Frogs class. We have been so proud of how the children have welcomed and supported the new children. This week we have started our new DT project 'Lets look at hats' and have been exploring different hats. We are also building on the pattern of language from 'The Gingerbread Man' and have started reading the story 'The Runaway Chapati'. In Science, we are learning about the parts of the body, focusing on how we use our arms and legs.

Headlice!!

We have had several cases of headlice in school this week and have noticed that several children with long hair are wearing it loose. Please can you ensure that your child has their hair tied back to try and limit the spread of headlice as it spreads very easily. We would be grateful if **ALL** parents could check their child's hair on a weekly basis and treat with a suitable over the counter treatment, if necessary, **BEFORE**, coming in to school. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

PE Kits

With the cooler weather now with us, please can you ensure that your child has suitable **warm** jogging bottoms to use for PE, as quite a few of the children this week, have been shivering in shorts! We try and take them outside as much as possible, and obviously do not wish them to be unnecessarily cold. A long sleeved top is also a good idea too.

Road Safety

We have had a few complaints from local residents about cars travelling too fast in the residential area, outside the school. Please can you be mindful of your speed to ensure the safety of everybody, especially the children who are not always aware of their environment and are still learning road safety skills.

Advance Notice of Office Closure

Due to a bereavement the school office will be closed on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th January. If you have any changes to pick up and drop off arrangements, please could you ensure you notify the staff at the school gates or preferably via email by Friday 13th January.

Next week:

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| Monday 9th January | Singing Group going to Young Voices Concert in Birmingham |
| Tuesday 10th January | Table Tennis Club with Ken Baker begins (Week 1) |
| Wednesday 11th January | Guitar lessons in PM Dodgeball for KS1—KO Sports (Week 1) |
| Thursday 12th January | Piano lessons in PM Dodgeball for KS2—KO Sports (Week 1) |
| Friday 13th January | Forest School for Year 1 children PM Fun Art Club with Mrs Worrall (Week 1) |
| Sunday 15th January | Deadline for Primary & Middle School Applications—all applications are given equal consideration, up to and including this date. |