



## Star of the Week!

Reception **Gracie Thirkell**  
 Year 1 **Niamh McNeill**  
 Year 2 **Hannah Gallagher-Davies**  
 Year 3 **Tyler Auckland**  
 Year 4 **Emily Taylor**  
 Year 5 **Jack Hipkiss**  
 Year 6 **Katey Walker**

This weeks class attendance has been awarded to **Year 5** **99.4%**



### Early Years Celebrate New Year!

Children in nursery and reception class have been learning about Chinese New Year which was welcomed in on 28th January. This year it is the year of the Rooster. Through hands on experience the children discovered how it is celebrated by taking part in their very own festivities. The children sampled Chinese food, discovered how the Chinese years got their names, learnt about the mythological story of Nian and made their very own red envelopes – the giving of red envelopes is a common practice in China and they usually contain money. Nursery children especially enjoyed their dragon dancing!



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**Kung Hei Fat Choy**  
(Happy New Year).



### School Diary for Week Ahead

Mon 13th February	<b>Year 4 Swimming lesson AM</b>
Tues 14th February	<b>Year 3 PE lesson</b> Football after school club 3:15 - 4:15pm
Wed 15th February	<b>Year 6 PE lesson</b> Performing arts after school club 3:15 - 4:00pm
Thurs 16th February	<b>Reception class, year 2 and 5 PE lesson</b> Reception class NHS hearing screening AM Multiskills after school club 3:15 - 4:15pm
Fri 17th February	<b>Year 1 PE Lesson</b> School closes for spring half term holiday
Mon 27th February	School re-opens for remainder of spring term

### Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day was celebrated globally on Tuesday 7th February. We would like to take this opportunity to raise the profile of online safety with yourselves as parents. Everyone has a part to play in making the internet a better place so these tips are a great way to ensure that you are supporting your child to stay safe and positive online.



**BE ENGAGED** Talk regularly with your children about how they use technology, including how they communicate using images and videos.

**BE AWARE** Explore the online features of devices you own. Knowing how to activate and use parental controls can help protect your child from seeing inappropriate content. **BE THERE** Ensure you are there if something goes wrong. Your child may be too embarrassed to discuss the issue they are facing so reassure them they can turn to you no matter what. **BE THOUGHTFUL** Not everyone online is trustworthy. Encourage your child to think critically about things they see online including images/videos they view on social media. Discussing what they have seen and the message behind the content can help them consider the difference between fact and opinion, and that there is sometimes more than meets the eye! For further information and links please access our school website

<http://wp.me/P6NnMZ-1V>

### If U Care Share Foundation Visit School

Today we have been fortunate to have Matthew and Josh from the 'If U care Share Foundation' running workshops in school for years 1 to 6. The workshops are part of a project funded by the Three Towns Area Action Partnership aimed at creating a culture that encourages and supports young people to talk openly about emotional and mental health. The children enjoyed meeting characters like 'Sammy the squirrel', a young squirrel who likes to teach children about their emotions and how to express their feelings. The message Sammy gives is that sharing how you feel helps! Our thanks go to Josh and Matthew for making the workshops both valuable and great fun for the children.

