

## Achieving Excellence Together

14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear parents

Starting on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February, all children who attend the **Cool Kids breakfast club and clubs before school** will need to enter school via the main reception doors. We have set up a bell system which works by families pressing the buzzer and notifying the Cool Kids Club staff that they have arrived. The doors will then be opened by a member of the Cool Kids Club and children will be able to enter school.

This has been put in place to improve the safety of the children and the school site.

In terms of after school clubs and collecting children from Cool Kids Club, collection will take place as follows:

### **School Clubs After School (e.g. Art Club, Choir, Football, Basketball etc...)**

Please collect your children from the gate in front of the main playground. This is the gate closest to the year one classrooms adjacent to the school library. Staff will be here with your children at the end of the club.

### **Cool Kids Club Collection**

Please collect your child from the main reception entrance using the new entry buzzer system.

**Parents will not be allowed on school site whilst clubs are taking place.**

### **Spring 2 Curriculum Newsletters:**

This afternoon, you will be sent a copy of the Curriculum Newsletter for Spring 2. This newsletter outlines the main areas of learning which your child will cover over the next half term.

### **Valentines Cake Sale**

Thank you to everyone who stayed after school to purchase cakes. Funds raised through your generous contributions help make significant improvements across the school.



## Year 5 Butterfly Class

This week, Butterfly class took part in their School Linking trip to Stockwood Discovery Centre. There they met Year 5 pupils from our linking school, St Martin de Porres. Working in teams, they completed a museum quest and built rideable vehicles. Everyone particularly enjoyed the vehicle workshop, making some impressive cars and buses - the children's creativity was specifically praised by the organiser. As the children got to know each other better, it was fantastic to see how well everyone got on and to celebrate how wonderfully kind, sociable, polite and creative our children are!



This week, the teachers have chosen the following pupils for showing creativity in their learning:

Panda	Rhino	Koala	Macaw	Turtle	Penguin	Honeybee
Vinnie	Christopher	Antonia	Mia	Dollie	Zahra	Isla
Aisly	Darcey H	Teni	Dua	Ben	Lucas	Diraa
Sunbear	Elephant	Giraffe	Leopard	Butterfly	Tiger	Dolphin
Michal	Isabelle	Christabel	Niah	Ruben	Rayyan	Lola
Nathan	Jaxon	Freddie	Georgia	All Butterfly class	Mia	Henry

## House Points

Weekly total:

St. Patrick	37
St. David	72
St. George	36
St. Andrew	34

Overall points since the start of the school year:



### Attendance

The classes with the top attendance this week are:

Giraffe class with 98.2%

Macaw class with 97.7%

Rhino class with 97.3%

The whole school average attendance this week is **94.1%**.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Griffin  
Principal

### Dates for your Diary

Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	National Space Centre	Year 5	Details and payment via ParentMail
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Stockwood Park - Class Linking Project D	Leopard	Details sent via ParentMail
24 <sup>th</sup> Mar – 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Sustrans Wheel and Walk to School	All	Details to follow
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	LAMDA Exams	Full	
Easter Break 7 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2025			
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Monday – School Closed	All	
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Children return to school	All	
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Whole Class Photo - Tempest	All	
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Jun – Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Action4Youth - Caldecotte	Yr 6	All payments to be made via ParentMail

Diary dates can also be found on our website by clicking [here](#).



Opal arts

# STREET ART WORKSHOP



**MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY  
10AM-3PM**

**GROVE CORNER  
LUG 1JF**

**AGE 5-13 YEARS**



**£25 PER CHILD**



**SCAN QR CODE  
TO BOOK A  
SPACE**



**EMAIL [LUCY@OPALARTS.CO.UK](mailto:lucy@opalarts.co.uk) FOR MORE  
INFO**



## Junior Sporting Academy February Half term Holiday sports and activity camp.

We are offering our fun filled, activity packed holiday camps at Lark Rise Primary Academy in Dunstable on Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February. These camps run from 8:30am - 3:30pm, costing £16 per day or £60 when the week is booked in full.

Below is the sign-up link:

<https://junior-sporting-academy.classforkids.io/>

Please see poster below for more information.

If you have any questions please call @07305 382086 or email [juniorsportingacademy@gmail.com](mailto:juniorsportingacademy@gmail.com).

Many thanks  
Daniel

Junior Sporting Academy Team

The poster is divided into two main sections. The top section has a dark blue background with the text 'PREPARING FOR OUR camp!' in large, bold, green letters. Below this, it says 'SOME THINGS YOUR CHILDREN WILL need AT OUR camp:' in white. A list of items follows: 'REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLE', 'OUTDOOR FOOTWEAR', 'PACKED LUNCH (INCLUDING SNACK)', 'OUTDOOR CLOTHING (JACKETS/COATS)', and 'A BIG SMILE :)'. The bottom section has a dark blue background with a soccer ball graphic on the left. It contains the text 'IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US VIA FACEBOOK, EMAIL OR INSTAGRAM' in white. On the right, there is a QR code with the JSA logo in the center. Below the QR code, there is an illustration of two children, a boy and a girl, playing soccer. At the bottom, there are social media icons for Instagram, Facebook, and Email, followed by the text '@JUNIORSPORTINGACADEMY', 'JUNIORSPORTINGACADEMY@GMAIL.COM', and '@JUNIORSPORTINGACADEMY' respectively.

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## Mental Health Support

Central Bedfordshire Mental Health Support Teams Mental health services and resources for Children and Young People (CYP) collated by the MHSTs across Central Bedfordshire.

[Parent / Carer Padlet](#)



[Children and Young People Padlet](#)

