



Clarendon School
Primary Centre



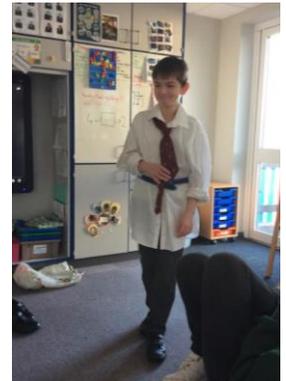
Primary News

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Topic Themed Learning



Recently pupils within Comets and Rockets class have enjoyed lessons themed around Julia Donaldson stories. Crosby had fun joining in 'The Smartest Giant in Town' role-play. Rockets class produced moving picture stories and then brought their 'Stick Man' to life at forest school.



Our Chinese New Year assembly on Monday was followed by a themed lunch at school and a range of activities throughout the week. Stars class dragon is proudly on display within our library area.



Other classes retold the story about 'Nian the dragon' and made Nian dragons, sequenced the animals within 'The Great Race Chinese Zodiac', and sampled cooking Chinese food.

Attendance and sickness

As a school we aim to work in partnership with parents and carers to ensure maximum and punctual attendance for all pupils. Guidelines suggest that a child should be able to attend school sessions which represent at least 95% attendance, and this is our aim for all pupils too.



We always encourage pupils to be in school every day and it is a great life skill to be able to continue the daily routine and to embrace work and learning even when you are feeling a bit under the weather and not 100% yourself.

However, please do not send your child into school if they are not well enough to be within their class and access their everyday learning activities and curriculum. We have recently had an exceptionally high percentage of absence from pupils and staff. Unfortunately pupils have been exposed to illnesses that could have been kept at bay, and we have had an increase in agency staff having to replace permanent staff off ill. We have several pupils with low immune systems who quickly catch illnesses, and do not have the ability to recover without medication. We would therefore really appreciate it if you could ensure that in future you do not send your child into school if:

- They have been unwell in the night before going to school.
- They have any infectious illnesses or diseases that are likely to spread to other pupils and staff.

Pupils who have had diarrhoea or vomited should not return to school within 48 hours of the last occasion to avoid passing this on to others.



Don't forget
parents'
evening!

We are pleased that many parents have already booked times to see their child's class teacher, speech therapist and OT on Thursday 13th February. Please complete the slip or call the office if you still need to book an appointment.