

# January 2023

## Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the Spring Term. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and I wish you a very happy 2023. The children have already been enjoying our exciting curriculum and have been engaging in their learning really well having returned to school enthusiastically. Please look at the following page to see some of the highlights from the last week of the Autumn Term.

We are really focusing on the idea of purposeful learning that 'Makes a Difference' to our own lives and the lives of others whether that be on the door step or across the other side of the world! It is our goal to intrinsically motivate pupils through evermore meaningful content. At the same time we combine this with the science of 'How' we learn, making sure our lessons are structured in such a way that knowledge will 'stick' and children can apply what they've learnt in a variety of ways.

Please remember to look on our website over the following couple of weeks as teachers update Twitter, their class pages and Knowledge Organisers showcasing what your children are learning about this term.

Parking outside the school gates remains a concern for us and I know for many parents and residents too. We have been in contact with the local highway police and they have supported us by increased patrols along Cherry Drive and the surrounding streets. Can I ask that you support us in keeping all children safe by parking sensibly. Parking on roads further away can significantly spread the volume of traffic outside the school gates and help to keep our children safe.

Any parents who would like to be considered for occasional cleaning work please contact Jane Calow, our Office Manager as we do have times across the year when we need additional cover.

Polite reminders: Breakfast Club needs to be paid for at the time of booking on Arbor and dinner money accounts on Arbor need to be in credit and not in arrears.

Parent's evenings are planned for March but please feel free to contact your child's teacher or myself should queries or concerns arise prior to this date.

**Mr Lee**



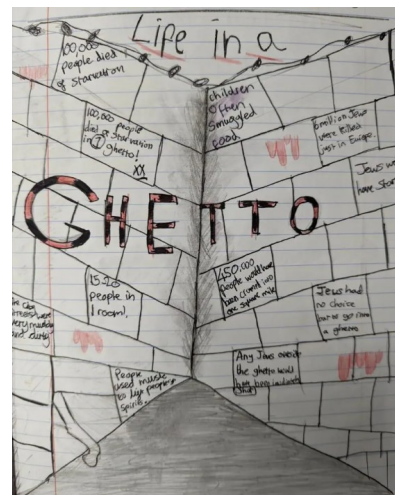
Our youngest children brought a little sparkle to the end of term. Well done to our EYFS children who sang so beautifully for their parents. Thank you to the year 1 children who made Christmas decorations with their parents and then delivered to our local care home, the residents were delighted to receive them. Year 2 brought a tear to some of their parents eyes with their performance of Prickly Hay. Well done to all!



Year 4 spent the last week of term on an amazing toy STEM project . While in early years a professional printing workshop was taking place!



Year 5 immersed themselves in Mexican cuisine while Year 3 helped Mr Lee wrap his presents with their Maths!



Year 6 produced amazing little books showcasing their knowledge of WW2