# Half Acres Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy, fulfilled and successful final week we have had in school. It is hard to believe that it's half term already!

The highlight of the week absolutely has to be our 'Wear Red Day' and Bake Sale on Wednesday to support fundraising for CICU in memory of Mrs Newman.

We absolutely cannot thank everyone enough for the generosity, kindness and support shown. It was just phenomenal.

We raised a massive £800+ and will have the great pleasure of passing this over to the family from Half Acres parents, carers, children, staff and community.

Thank you also for the heartfelt messages and memories shared which will be added to the condolence book on your behalf.







#### Also this week

Miss Nalson's class have thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the library today and had so much fun reading books with their friends.

Early years celebrated Lunar New Year and enjoyed tasting Chinese food. Many loved it but some didn't quite so much!





Year 2 welcomed Mr Travis in to school to talk about his experience working in the coal mine. The

children were fascinated and asked him so many questions.



Thank you to all parents, carers and friends who joined their children in the maths workshops held this week. A great time was had by all.

### <u>Dojo</u>

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up for the implementation of Dojo in order to support communication between home and school. Many families have said how great this will be and we hope so too.

4NR had 76% of the class signed up by today so have received a sweet treat prize for having the greatest % - well done! There will be a prize for the first class to achieve 100% so please return your signed agreement as soon as you can!

#### **Book Fair**

Thank you to everyone who attended our book fair last week. We were thrilled at the number of books that were purchased and enjoyed in homes. Your support for school is very much appreciated and we look forward to adding to our book collections with commission earned. We will share this with you as soon as it is confirmed.

## World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

We are looking forward to dressing up as a book character on World Book Day and would like all children to be able to take part if they wish to. With this in mind, we would welcome any outgrown costumes that you may have and would be happy to pass them on. Please bring any contributions to the office and please ask if we have anything available to offer you in return.

## Dates for your diary

Please see the attached updated overview for the year.

#### **Attendance**

## Congratulations to Y4W for achieving the highest attendance this week!

Nursery AM 91.20% Nursery PM 89.41% Nursery whole 90.30% EY2F 90.67% EY2N 86.43% 1AP 96.43% 1T 93.21% 2C 94.44% 2K 90.33% 3Be 89.33% 3T 95.00% 4NR 94.40% 4W 98.00% 5Be 92.14% 5R 96.21% 6Ri 88.48% Whole school 92.48%



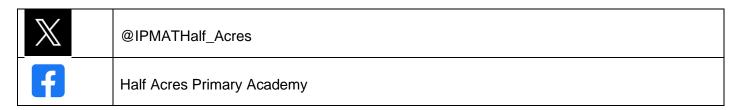
#### <u>Lates</u>

We understand that there can be unexpected reasons for lateness on occasions however, there continues to be a number of children who are frequently late and are therefore missing valuable teaching and learning time. It is unsettling for children when they arrive once the lesson has started and also has an impact on staff who meet, greet and take children to their classes.

This week there have been **50 lates**, **7** of which have been coded as unauthorised due to the time of arrival.

Please ensure that children are arriving at their classroom door in order to be welcomed at 8.50am and make a prompt start to their day at 9am.

Please follow us on our social media platforms to see any key information and weekly learning that is taking place in school.



Kind regards and enjoy the weekend Mrs Taylor