

# Sunnybrow News

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Happy half-term everyone! It's been a fantastic term at Sunnybrow and this last week has rounded it off nicely. It's been assessment week, which might sound like a bore, but our children have thrived and staff have been blown away by the progress they have seen in their classes, especially in Reading! More importantly, the children have displayed

ambition in abundance, being eager to improve and to do the best they possibly can. Well done children!

Alongside the assessments, we have also had a lot of fun. On Tuesday, the whole school made and ate pancakes. Some were more successful than others, but there were lots of smiley faces! Even more fun was had in Class 1 as they went

ice-skating. Miss Wild was a little bit nervous about this trip before-hand but she said it was absolutely fantastic and

the children were naturals!

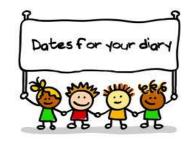
A huge thank you to Mia's Mum and Dad who hosted another really successful disco for us last night. I was in a Governing Body meeting and the Governors were all desperate to head along for a dance as the music was brilliant! Mrs Black praised the children who attended and said a great time was

had by all, especially when Sonic made an appearance!

## Attendance:

Attendance has seen a really battering this half-term as we have had so many illnesses doing the rounds. We are currently sitting at 94.5% for our overall school attendance, which is still above National Average, but it is below our target of 96%. We tend to see a dip in attendance on Fridays, but please do know that Fridays are an incredibly busy day of learning in school.

Just to highlight the importance of good attendance:



Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February-School closed for Teacher Training day Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February-School reopens Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May-School closed for Polling station



## School attendance for the year:

Class 1: 97.2%

Class 2: 99.4%

Class 3: 96.3%

Class 4: 93.3%

## Safeguarding:

Worried about a child out of school hours?

- If a child is in immediate danger or at risk of immediate harm, you should contact the Police on 999.
- If you are concerned about a child you should share your concern with the First Contact Team on 03000 267 979.
- You can also contact the NSPCC for advice on 0808 800 5000 or email <a href="mailto:help@NSPCC.org.uk">help@NSPCC.org.uk</a>
- o If you have **non-urgent** information about the safety or welfare of a child



95%	=	40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	80 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 days
85%	=	120 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	160 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

to share with the safeguarding team at Sunnybrow Primary School please contact **Mrs Sim** on 01388 746 413 or sunnybrow@durhamlearning.net

#### Online Safety:

WhatsApp is the most widely used messaging platform on the planet, with over two billion users (forecast to become three billion by 2025), across more than 180 countries. The majority of those people (70%) open the app at least once a day – but



what exactly are they seeing? Contact from strangers, fake news and convincing scams are all among the service's well-documented hazards.

According to Ofcom, WhatsApp is used by more than half of 3- to 17-year-olds in the UK (including one in three from the 8–11 bracket), despite its 16+ age restriction. If your child hops onto WhatsApp to stay in touch with friends or family, The National Online Safety's guide to the service contains the key details you'll need to support them in doing it safely.



## Headteacher's Award: Dakota

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
English Star	Roman	Darcy-Mai	Danton	Ella
Multiplication Star	Oscar	Jack	Tianna	Jessica

Exceptionally Talented	Mia	Rosie	Katie	Sangari		
Citizen of the week	Ellie	Isla-Mae	Cody	Jaydan		
Dojo	Mia	Charlotte	Bradley	Max		
Honest Empathetic Ambitious Respectful & Resilient Trustworthy						