Sunnybrow News

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Welcome back, everyone. I hope the Easter break was kind to you all and you got some rest and lots of chocolate! It's a strange half-term as it is only 4 weeks and we have 2 short weeks within that, plus we also have Year 6 SATs from Monday 12th May, so it will be very busy! Please do have a look at the dates for your diary, as events come thick and fast in summer term.

We were lucky enough to welcome our local PCSOs, Jet the police dog and Claire his handler into school on Tuesday. They gave us a talk on Stranger Danger and some top tips on how we can keep ourselves safe when we are out and about in the local area.

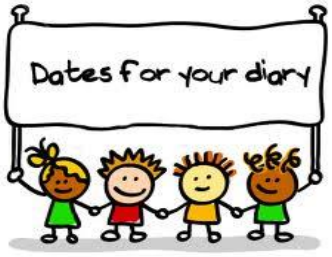
<u>Attendance:</u>

Attendance in school is slowly slipping and we are currently sitting below National Average. This week, our Year 5/6 attendance was only 86.0%. The Department for Education (DfE) report the link between Key Stage 2 (KS2) attainment and different levels of pupil absence. The main findings were:

• Pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths had an overall absence rate of 4.7% over the key stage, compared with 3.5% among pupils who achieved the expected standard and 2.7% among those who achieved the higher standard.

• Among pupils with no missed sessions over KS2, 83.9% achieved the expected standard compared to 40.2% of pupils who were persistently absent.

As you know, we do take a support-first approach, but guidelines and external pressures around attendance continue to be increased and we will have to start and take further action on families where children are persistently absent. This can result in legal action being taken, which is something we really want to avoid. A child is classed as persistently absent when their attendance



Monday 5th May – School Closed for Early May Bank Holiday

Thursday 8th May-VE Day celebration (wear red, white and blue)

Monday 12th May – SATs Week

Friday 23rd May - Break up for Half Term

Monday 2nd June – School re-opens

Friday 6th June-Sports Day

Thursday 12th June-Class 4 parent event

Wednesday 25th June-Summer Fair

Friday 11th July-Reports out to parents

Wednesday 16th July-Y6 Leavers Meal

Thursday 17th July-Beach Trip

Friday 18th July-Leavers Assembly & school breaks up for Summer

School attendance for the Week:

Class 1: 98.4%

Class 2: 94.4%

Class 3: 97.1%

Online Safety:

In today's digital world, it is increasingly common for children to form friendships with people they have never met in person. While online connections can give children a sense of belonging, they can also carry significant risks. This week's online safety guide will you lots of information and tips to help you keep your child safe online.

Class 4: 86.0%

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 help@NSPCC.org.uk
- If you have **non-urgent** information about the safety or welfare of a child to share with the safeguarding team at Sunnybrow Primary School please contact **Mrs Sim** on 01388 746 413 or sunnybrow@durhamlearning.net

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Headteacher's Award for the Week: Kyron

Rosie The Rhino: Teagan-Lea

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
English Star	Ezmai	Mia	Henry	Danton
Maths Star	Ivey	Roman-James	Katie	Alanis
Exceptional Talent	Oliver	Daniel	Annalise	Maddison
Citizen	Darcy	Ellie	Kyron	Dexter
Class Dojo	Oliver	Issac	Kyron	Aaron

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