

Stars of the Week

Class R: Nancy

Class 1: Alfie

Class 2: Ella-Louise

Class 3: Jacob

Class 4: Daniel

Class 5: Poppy

Class 6: Biagio



Good news

- It looks like we may have our first word millionaire this year before the half term holiday! The first millionaire in each year group receives a donated book token to recognise their achievement.
- Thank you to K.G. Smith for the generous donation of £200 - we will be spending the money on more non-fiction books for our library collection.
- We have a great collection of Harvest gifts to donate to Towcester Food Bank - the collection will continue through to Monday.

Do you know why Ofsted, and therefore schools, make a 'big deal' about attendance?

Across the country school attendance is a 'hot topic' for schools and parents. We all agree that if your child is poorly they need time away from school to get better, but understandably term time holiday causes more of a debate.

At school we always want children healthy and in school learning; research shows that missing time from school, (even at primary) has a long term impact. With that in mind, it seems incredibly unfair that holiday companies raise their prices so much during school holidays whilst the duty expected of schools is to use all their power to discourage parents from taking their children out of school during term time for a holiday. The expectation from the Department of Education and Ofsted is that schools cannot permit term time leave for holiday purposes. In fact, schools ensuring good attendance has long been an assessment criteria from Ofsted.

Check out the following web link that gives further details on the research on school attendance and the duty schools must follow: <https://www.theschoolrun.com/school-attendance-explained>

Our whole school target for attendance is 97%; last week Class R and Class 5 both achieved 100% - well done

Non prescription medication

Did you know that at school we are able to administer non-prescription medicines to your child?

We do this with exactly the same protocols as prescription medication: medication must be in date and in it's original packaging; medicine must be handed to a member of staff at the office and the administering medicine form completed.

