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# NEWSLETTER

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## Books, books, glorious books!

Thank you so much for all your support at the book fair this week. It has been so well supported that we have been able to keep lots of books for school use. Some of these will go to class libraries so children can borrow them. Others will go into our reading raffle box. Remember that children will get a raffle ticket in the half termly draw if they complete 5 reads at home. Please make sure you sign your child's reading record every time they read at home.

## CENSUS DAY LUNCH

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October, schools are required to submit information about pupil numbers. This information is used to release funding to schools. One measure for school funding is how many pupils are entitled to free school meals. We would love as many pupils as possibly to take up their free school meal on Thursday to help school receive the full amount of essential funds.

## Harvest Festival

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October, we will be celebrating Harvest with a special assembly. For the last couple of years we have supported our local food bank and we would like to continue this. We know that many of our families have benefitted from support from this service and it continues to be necessary. If you are able to bring in some tinned or dried goods, we know the food bank would be grateful for them. Please bring them in on the morning of our Harvest festival.

## Star Learners

Well done Eloise, Jack, Francis, Frank, Sonny, Brooke, Marley and Nicole! We have been so proud of the determination and resilience you have shown this week. It is wonderful to see so many pupils working hard to overcome challenges and pushing themselves to do even better. Let's keep it up!

## Voting Voice

Should parents be allowed to give their child an unusual name?

Yes – 83%

No – 17%

## Welcome to the world...



This week Miss Bailey gave birth to her gorgeous daughter Nora May.

We wish the whole family (including Nana Bailey) lots of love!

Mrs Sarah Parekh

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## DIARY DATES

### October

7<sup>th</sup> – Census day lunch

14<sup>th</sup> – Harvest Festival

18<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> Half term

### November

1<sup>st</sup> Back to school

Coming soon...after school clubs

### December

15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch

17<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

### January

4<sup>th</sup> Return to school

### February

18<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Half term

### March

### April

8<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

25<sup>th</sup> Return to school

### May

2<sup>nd</sup> Bank holiday

30<sup>th</sup> Half term starts

### June

6<sup>th</sup> Jubilee bank holiday

7<sup>th</sup> Back to school

### July

26<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

*Please keep double checking the diary dates as they do sometimes need to be changed*