



'Growing life-long learners.'

**Ambitious,
aspirational
curriculum.**



Throughout this term, there have been many different ways that the impact of our curriculum has been monitored, refined and improved to ensure that we are delivering one on of our main priorities to ensure all pupils access our ambitious, aspirational curriculum.

How do we go about doing this?

- Different Class Teachers are responsible for leading subjects across the curriculum. They work with SLT to ensure curriculum plans are well-designed, that staff have the essential knowledge and resources to teach planned sequences of learning and to monitor pupil outcomes from the lessons they have been taught
- Governors hold school leaders to account during Full Board meetings where they respond to updates by providing challenge and acknowledging successes in our curriculum development work. They also hold Link Governor roles that enables them to focus their attention on specific aspects of our curriculum through school visits where they experience lessons, join leaders in monitoring activities and have conversations with pupils
- Quality Assurance Partner (QAP) visits from Manchester City Council each term provide school leaders with an opportunity to review our curriculum through learning walks, discussions with Subject Leaders and Governors. Our last QAP focused on 2024-25 Pupil Outcomes and the Early Years curriculum.

Our next steps include gathering pupil voice on different aspects of our curriculum and discussions around knowledge that they have acquired in specific subject areas that school leaders may be working on. We are also updating curriculum information for parents/carers as part of our website updates planned for the Spring Term.

**Avid, skilled
readers.**



**Keen, motivated
learners.**



**Inspiring,
invested staff.**



Reception Admissions

It may feel like a long way off right now, but the January deadline for school applications for next year's Reception classes is fast approaching!

If you have a child in our Nursery class, **you still need to apply** [via Manchester City Council](#).

Please speak with a member of the EYFS team, Admissions Team or SLT if you would like to find out more, or if you would like any support.

Important Notes & Reminders

PFA Christmas Fair

Next week's fair is going to be a cashless event and parents/carers will be able to purchase tokens to spend on stalls via Arbor, or in person at the Token Stall in our school hall.

In addition, to ease congestion and ensure that everybody accesses the fair comfortably and safely, there will be designated entrances for classes to use once the doors open at 3:30pm.

Details for both of the above will be shared on Monday. We look forward to seeing you at the event and raising funds to spend on our children.

Attendance & Punctuality

Excellent school attendance remains a priority and legal requirement for all children and families. Every minute of every day matters and research shows that pupils with excellent attendance go on to have excellent outcomes later in life.

Our whole school attendance is currently at **93.4%**. Class attendance data is currently at:

Nursery	93.1%
Reception Elder	94.6%
Reception Elm	90.8%
Year 1 Beech	94.5%
Year 1 Birch	93%
Year 2 Pine	95%
Year 2 Poplar	93.7%
Year 3 Hawthorn	94.5%
Year 3 Holly	93%
Year 4 Spruce	90.2%
Year 4 Sycamore	93.8%
Year 5 Larch	90.4%
Year 5 Lime	90.2%
Year 6 Ash	93.6%
Year 6 Aspen	93.8%

Well done to **Y2 Pine** who are leading the way with a brilliant **95%**!

Y3 Holly, Y4 Spruce, Y5 Larch and Y5 Lime have all increased on last week and will be rewarded for this next week. Well done and thank you for making a continued effort to attend school every day!

Dates to note

It's a busy half term ahead! Here are a few key dates to note for the various celebrations and events that are taken place. Your child would love you to attend performances they are in if you are able to, so save the dates below. Timings have been shared on a festive celebrations flyer earlier this week (also attached to this week's Newsletter)

5 th Dec	PFA Non-uniform Day for Chocolate Donations
8 th Dec	Y5 Tea & Tinsel event
9 th Dec	Y6 Tea & Tinsel event
10 th Dec	Christmas Fair & Crafts
11 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
15 th Dec	Y3/4 Christmas Performances
16 th Dec	KS1 Nativity Performances
17 th Dec	EYFS Nativity Performances
19 th Dec	School Closes for Holidays

