



## Upcoming Events

19th Last day of term  
20th Holiday starts

### **7th Children return to school**

9th Open Day Reception South for September 2019 parents  
10th Open day Reception North for September 2019 parents  
11th January KS 1 Spelling Bee Competition  
11th January—Year 5 Science Trip  
15th January last day to apply for Reception 2019  
17th January Year 5 & 6 swimming Gala  
18th January Cuckoo class assembly  
21st January—Year 2 swimming at Olympic park for 2 weeks  
25th January Conductive music  
4th February Young voices

### Attendance

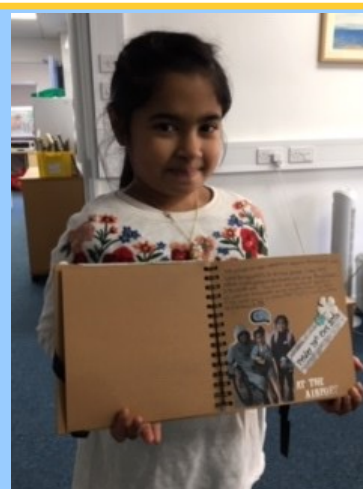
This afternoon it was nice to give some children certificates for 100% attendance this term. Bullfinch have the best attendance with 97.9% . Woodpecker are a close 2nd with 97.1%. Unfortunately we have 11 classes who have not managed to reach the target of 95%. None of the Reception classes have managed to get to 95%.

I hope that in the Spring term we see an improvement.

### Holiday Journal Extraordinaire

I regularly get requests for children to take extra days off to visit family abroad and I do ask that the children produce a diary of their time away. This morning I was presented with the most amazing photo album/ journal of Ameera and her sister's time in Bangladesh. It was great to see all the amazing things that they had done whilst away and will be a fabulous keepsake for her and her family.

I look forward to reading more for all the people who take those extra days.



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## Mission Grove

### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

It is the end of another term and what a busy one it has been.

This year we have a few wishes that we would like to share with you over the Christmas break.

2 year olds wish that Santa has a gift for everyone, with lots of toys and chocolate.

Nursery wish that every child has a toy they really want to play with this Christmas.

From Reception: We wish for all the children in the world to have a something lovely to eat on Christmas Day AND everyday. We wish for every child to feel loved and appreciated by all of the people around them.

Y1: We wish that everyone continues to achieve and also to have the courage to be yourself.

Y2: We wish that everyone continues to love reading and pushes themselves to try lots of different books.

Year 3: In 2019 we hope that all children around the world are free to have fun.

Year 4: In 2019 we wish that you and your family stay safe and healthy.

Y5: We wish the school can continue to raise money for good causes to help children all around the world

Y6: We wish all children are able to get a good education and to feel happy and safe



So from everyone from Mission Grove we wish you a very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you on Monday 7th January 2019.

### Key Stage 1 Mission Grove Spelling Bee 2018

It's that time of year again! We will be starting the Mission Grove Spelling Bee selections after the Christmas break. This year, we will split the competitions into Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 for the preliminary competition, before a whole school competition later in the year.

Attached is the first list of words to learn. These will be the words tested in class, in the week commencing Monday, 7th January 2018. The winning children from each class will be sent home a new list of words to learn for the semi-finals. You can learn words from the higher years if you want to!

Happy Spelling

Miss Beath



As part of #WakeUpWednesday campaign, this is a free online safety guide for schools to share with parents and carers about **Twitter**, the free social networking site used by more than 328 million users worldwide.

Twitter brings endless positive opportunities such as information sharing, positive conversation, collaboration and a live global view of the world that we live in. Despite the good the platform brings, Trolls, unfortunately, continue to take advantage of this freedom.

Trolling can be anything from sending malicious communications online, virtual mobbing, cyberstalking, harassment, coercion and control, and disclosing private sexual images without consent. From 2016, the Crown Prosecution Service were able to exercise new laws that could see those who create "derogatory hashtags" or post "humiliating" photoshopped images jailed.

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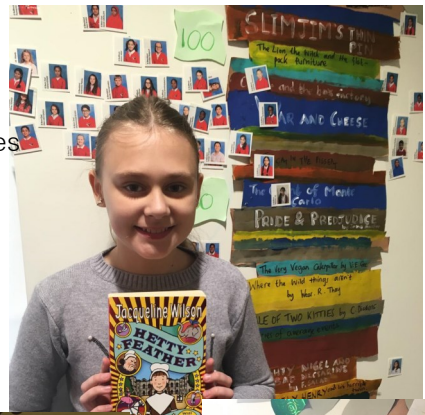
**FACEBOOK:** <https://www.facebook.com/NationalOnlineSafety/photos/a.1681508315488685/1935627633410084/?type=3&theater>

**WEBSITE:** <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/twitter-online-safety-guide-for-parents/>

More Millionaire readers

Well done to the 4 new additions to the millionaire reading club. AR quizzes will be available over the Christmas break so keep reading.

Afsheen - Buzzard, Nyima - Swallow, Gabriela - Skylark, Rhode - Sparrow, Benas—Blackbird



**A message from Mr Darling and the choir.**

It's been an eventful term for the choir these past few months. As well as learning about different singers for Black History Month, the children have done a fantastic job at contributing lots of festive cheer. All 45 members put on a beautiful little show at the Christmas Fair, performing several traditional carols and an Andy Williams classic. The following week, they entertained the Christmas shoppers at Selborne Walk, where an assistant at Boots even told them they had been the best choir all day! Finally, the children attended the Civic Carols Concert on the 18th, with several other schools, to put on a stunning performance. Our next major event will be the Young Voices concert at the O2 arena on Monday, 4th February. Details about this event and tickets will be available in January when the children return.

A huge thank you to so many of our parents who have attended the events so far.

*Last week in Pictures*

