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THE SMITH'S WOOD



A generous benefactor has donated £100 to the school to encourage improved attendance. This will be used to reward children with excellent attendance. There are two ways for children to be in with a chance of winning £50.

- All children with 100% attendance will enter a prize draw (currently 41 children). The pupil drawn from the hat will win £50.00
- All children with 100% attendance in the last 2 weeks of term will enter a second draw. The pupil drawn from the hat will win £50.00.

Important note: pupils arriving late (ie after the register has closed) are recorded as absent.

With 3 weeks to go, our attendance level is 95.5%. This is below the national average of 96% and is the one area of performance at Smith's Wood which is below average.

Top classes for attendance for the school year so far

- 1 = 2JD (97%)
- 1 = 4CS (97%)
- 1 = 6ST (97%)
- 2. 5AM (96.7%)
- 3. 3RL (96.4%)

## Sports Day Update CHANGE OF DATES

The weather has been particularly bad over the past few weeks, meaning that we have had to postpone Sports Days for many year groups. In order for Sports Days to happen safely, we need some dry weather so that the grass is not slippery. Also, children need to be able to sit down between events on dry ground. When the field is wet, chairs set out for adults sink into the ground. Finally, it is not much fun to do sports in the rain! Wherever possible, we will inform parents in advance if an event is cancelled. Sports Days were deliberately scheduled slightly earlier this year, to allow time for events to be rescheduled if the weather was poor.

## New Sports Days are as follows;

Wed 6/7/16 Y1/2 sports <u>10.45am</u> Reception sports 10.45am Fri 8/7/16 Tues 12/7/16 Y5/6 sports 10.45 am Thur 14/7/16 Y3/4 sports 10.45 am

Please note that it has been necessary to change start times in some instances.

## NUT Strike Action (Tuesday 5/7/16)

Smith's Wood Primary Academy will open on this day, as usual. However, it has been necessary to reschedule the Y5/6 sports day due to possible disruption.