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Attendance

	Jupiter	Venus	Neptune	Saturn	Mercury
Weekly Attendance %	97.5%	100%	98%	94.2%	95.1%
Number of late marks	0	0	0	1	1
Number of children late marks equate to	0	0	0	1	1



Well done to Venus who have the best attendance this week with 100%

News

A Snowy Start!

A very snowy start to the month of February this morning! The roads and paths were quite treacherous this morning so please take care when out and about and keep warm over the weekend. A reminder that should the weather worsen in coming weeks we will keep you up to date via the regular school methods of communication, email, text, Facebook and Twitter notifications.

Times Table Rockstars

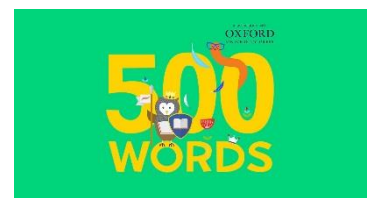
We are excited to announce that we have officially launched Times Table Rockstars in school. Times Table Rockstars is a fun and exciting way for your children to practise their times tables. This can be accessed both at home and in school.

Children in Years 2-6 have been introduced to the game in class and are excited to get going. All children have been issued with login details which are stuck in the front of your child's homework book. You can access the game at: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student> by entering our school name followed by your child's login details. At the moment we would like to request that children in **Venus** and **Neptune** play **Garage** mode only.

Big News for Budding Authors!

BBC Radio 2 have launched their 500 words short-story writing competition for 2019. It is a fantastic competition for children of all ages to submit a story and win some fabulous prizes. We will be launching it in school but please find all the details and some writing tips on the following website:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00rfvk1>



Safer Internet Day 2019 | Tuesday 5 Februar
Together for a better internet

Safer Internet Day

It is Safer Internet Day on Tuesday next week. We will be raising awareness in school about keeping safe online with a focus on consent and permission. Please find attached a parent/carer information sheet which you may find useful to discuss with your child.

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Coming Soon! The Bagel Bar!

We are proud to be a National School Breakfast Programme school.

We are happy to offer a healthy breakfast to all our children and we would welcome your child to join us for a great start to the day. The Bagel Bar will be open from 8.45am every morning in the KS1 Dragons Den starting Tuesday 26 February 2019.



Forthcoming Events and Key Dates

Planned Staff Training and Arranged Class Cover for the week ahead.			
Staff Member	Class	Date	Cover
Mrs Evered	Venus	Tuesday 5 February 2019 - Morning	Mrs Brewis
Mrs Mustard	Neptune	Thursday 7 February 2019 - Afternoon	New Supply – Name TBC

Tuesday 5 February 2019

Safer Internet Day

Monday 11 February 2019

Afternoon – Saturn and Mercury Visit to Whickham School to watch their performance of 'Grease'

Thursday 14 February 2019

Mercury Visit to Northumbria University – separate letter issued already issued.

Afternoon – Police Horses Visit

Friday 15 February 2019

3.20pm – Break up for Spring Half Term

Monday 25 February 2019

INSET Day – School closed to pupils

Tuesday 26 February 2019

8.45am – Breakfast Bagel Bar opens

8.55am – School re-opens

Friday 1 March 2019

9.15am – Mercury Showcase Event (Mercury Parents invited to attend)

Tuesday 5 March 2019

Venus Visit to York Chocolate Story – separate letter already issued.

Thursday 7 March 2019

World Book Day – come to school dressed as your favourite 'Good, Bad or Cuddly' book character!

Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 March 2019 – Parent Consultations – separate letter yet to be issued.

Wednesday 13 March 2019

Afternoon – Class Neptune Spring Sing at Sage Gateshead – separate letter yet to be issued.

Thursday 14 March 2019

9.15am – Jupiter Showcase Event (Jupiter Parents invited to attend)

A reminder that we are a Safeguarding School and we have a duty to pass on any concerns to Children's Services