

Dear Friends and Families,

This term certainly has flown by, especially being such a short one. We've still managed to fit lots in and have many exciting events.

In assembly this week, we spoke about British Values (Mutual Respect, the Rule of Law, Democracy and Individual Liberty) and why they were important in school. The children amazed me with their ideas and contributions, particularly when talking about Mutual Respect and how we at Arley, need to treat each and every member of our school with this, irrelevant of our belief systems. Individual Liberty also prompted lots of discussion. We all have freedom of speech, as long as this is respectful of others.

Last Friday, our Nursery and Reception children had a rather special day, celebrating Chinese New Year. The children celebrated the Lunar New Year by dancing, playing and eating lots of Chinese food. A rather special dragon even appeared at my office and gave me quite a shock!

A special thanks to Friends of Arley for organising our amazing Valentines' discos last night. Children sang and danced their hearts out, with many a valentine's gift or card being exchanged. To see children across the whole school having so much fun together and enjoying themselves, was a pleasure. Without our wonderful Friends of Arley, these activities would not happen. A special thank you also to Zoe Belford for our incredible balloon arch!

Wishing all of the friends and families of Arley Primary Academy a wonderful break.

Mrs K Parkes

## Attendance week ending 9th February 2024



Nursery = 86% Reception =91% Year 1 = 87% Year 2 =88% Year 3 =96% Year 4 = 91% Year 5 =87% Year 6 =94%

The total attendance for the school this week is 90.5% which is 5.5% off the school target of 96%. 

## Stars of the week 9th February

Reception – Lola Year 1- Molly Year 2- Adrian & Lacey Year 3- Oskar Year 4 –Mia Year 5- Shay Year 6 - Ella



Friends of Arley would like to thank Zoe Belford for creating the balloon arch for the children's Valentines disco on Thursday.



