

**Dates for your
diary:**

**24 January—Year 1
class cake sale**

**5 February—final
music lessons for
this half term.**

**7 February—Class
AS (year 3) As-
sembly to Par-
ents—9.15am**

**14 February finish
for half term break**

**17-21 February
Half term.**

**24 February term
restarts**

**6 March—World
Book Day**

**22 March—Open
Morning**

**28 March Class AT
(reception) Assem-
bly to parents—
2.00pm**

**28 March Class AT
Mothers Day Tea
Party**

**31 March, 1 April &
2 April Parent Con-
sultation meetings
after school—times
to be advised.**

**4 April Break Up
for Eater Holidays
at 1.30pm**

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Mr Vaughan's update

A Happy New Year to you all and I hope all the wind and rain wasn't too disruptive for you. Hopefully we will see a change in the weather soon as at the moment it seems to rain at 8:45am and 3:15pm almost everyday!

It's good to see all the children back, looking rested and ready to go again.

This term is a bit shorter than the rest, but as usual we will be packing loads in. Please see the class pages on the website

for more information on what will be going on this half-term.

I hope you like our new look Poppleford Post, as usual it will be out fortnightly on a Monday.

Best wishes from Mr. Vaughan and all the staff

Class JM

Class JM have been studying the life of *Leonardo da Vinci* and the impact he had on those around him. They have been learning about his skills as an artist and a scientist.

In art, the children have selected a part of one of Leonardo's paintings and have re-created it using soft pencils, to add shading. In science, they have been assessing the affect of exercise on the heart and learning how it pumps blood around the body. The class are also doing a longer term project to write a detailed biography about Leonardo da Vinci, during English lessons.

Did you know? That Leonardo da Vinci, as well as painting masterpieces such as the Mona Lisa and the Last Supper, he produced the first accurate drawings of the inside of bodies (anatomy). He was the first to suggest the theory that the earth revolves around the sun as well as designing the first flying machines and submarines! All in the 15th and 16th centuries!



Stars of the week

Reception-

Lottie Simpson

Jude Barrett

Bella Price

Year 1-

Grace Hodgson

Chelsea Johnson

Year 2-

Isaac Dilling

Abigail Stanley

Year 3-

Theo Bramble

Jamie Rose

Livvy Barton

Year 4-

Lauren Provis

Year 5-

Ruby Johnson

Luca Parsons

Year 6-

Alice Cuffley

Lewis Rowden

Team points up-
date—Spring Term

Red— 390

Blue— 337

Green— 350

Yellow— 389

Class CW News

Class CW have made a busy start to the Spring Term! We have been thinking about how we can improve our learning and setting 'our goals' for the next

half-term. For our topic we are learning about the artist Paul Cezanne and finding out about some of his paintings. Cezanne was a French artist during

Victorian England, so we are researching Queen Victoria and what life was like in Victorian times.



Messages for Parents:

***A reminder that all pre- arranged absences (e.g for hospital appointments, music exams etc) need to be approved on the S2 absence request form—these are available at the office or on the school website. This is a requirement of the Educational Welfare Officer.**

***A reminder to parents to return your checked/amended data collection sheets (to the school office) as soon as possible.**

***Another plea to parents—*please do not park on the double yellow lines on the entrance road to the car park*—the obscured visibility it causes makes it very dangerous for children walking or cycling to school trying to cross the road. Thank you.**