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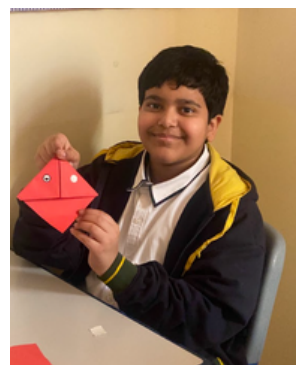
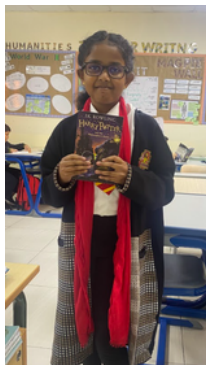
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"THE JOURNEY OF A LIFETIME STARTS WITH THE TURNING OF A PAGE."



Reading is an essential skill that helps children develop a strong foundation for their education and future success. For children between the ages of 5 and 11, reading is particularly important as it helps them develop their language skills, improve their vocabulary, and gain a deeper understanding of the world around them. Reading also helps children develop critical thinking skills and improve their ability to concentrate and focus. Furthermore, reading stimulates the imagination and creativity, and encourages children to think independently. It also helps children build self-esteem and confidence, and can provide them with a sense of accomplishment and success. Therefore, reading plays a crucial role in helping children develop the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in school and beyond.

To celebrate and promote the reading culture within the school the English faculty with the aid of Ms. Edith, the school librarian, organised a week of exciting activities and events all connected to books.



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'READING IS MY SUPERPOWER!'



On the Sunday, the children got to enjoy some book related arts and crafts. This entailed designing their own book cover, making an origami book mark and creating a self portrait of them reading their favourite book. Monday saw some Year 5 and 6 pupils go over to EYFS and read with the children in F1 and F2. It was a brilliant experience for the younger children to have the 'big kids' from Primary read with them. The Year 5 and 6 pupils also got a chance to practice their reading of a story aloud to small groups and to a whole class - all the teachers were very impressed with how they did. The school was awash with colour as pupils and staff wore their pyjamas and comfy clothing to help them settle down and enjoy their favourite books that they had brought in to share. There were even a few teddy bears and other cuddly toys brought in to make even more comfy! Finally, on Thursday everyone dressed up as their favourite book character, there were so many amazing costumes across the school. Year 1 and 2 got the chance to enjoy a puppet show with retold three classic stories: Little Red Riding Hood; The Tortoise and the Hare and...



ISAAC AND THE APPLE NEWS ARABIC WEEK



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قامت مدرسة نيوتن الخليج الغربي بإشراف قسم اللغة العربية بتفعيل أسبوع اللغة العربية بتاريخ 16-1-2023 وذلك من خلال مشاركة الطلاب من الصف الثالث إلى الصف السادس في أداء صلاة 16-1-2023 الضحى و التعرف على فضلها وهبئتها وذلك بهدف تعليم الطلبة كيفية صلاة الضحى والأجر والثواب العظيم على الإلتزام بها ، وتم توصية الطلاب بالحرص عليها بقَدْر استطاعتهم ، وتفاعل الطلبة بشكْل ممتع وجاد ، وتقبل الله من الجميع.

The Newton School, West Bay, under the supervision of the Arabic Language Department, activated the Arabic Language Week on 16-1-2023, through the participation of students from Y3 to Y6 in performing a prayer. Duha prayer and identifying its merits and form, with the aim of teaching students how to pray Duha and the reward.

The great adherence to it, and the students were recommended to take care of it as much as they could, and the students interacted in a manner both fun and serious, and may God accept from everyone.



تم مشاركة الطلاب من جميع الصفوف والمراحل من الصف الأول إلى الصف السادس في مسابقة التهجئة والتي تهدف إلى تمكين الطلبة من استخدام اللغة العربية استخدامًا صحيحًا كما تسهم المسابقة في تعزيز معرفة الطلبة بالاستخدام الصحيح للكلمات ، وتمكين الطلبة من لغتهم الأم ، وكانت مشاركة الطلبة ممتعة وهادفة وتم توزيع الشهادات والجوائز للطلاب الفائزين والطلاب المشاركين من جميع الصفوف بإشراف منسقة قسم اللغة العربية

Students from all grades and stages, from grade one to grade six, participated in the spelling competition, which aims to enable students to use the Arabic language correctly. Distribution of certificates and prizes to winning students and participating students from all grades under the supervision of the coordinator of the Arabic Language Department

لقد شارك طلاب الصف السادس في عمل و تقديم مسرحية عن القيمة الشهرية (قيمي ترسم هويتي) وهي قيمة الاحترام والتي تعمل على تعزيز الهوية القطرية ؛حيث قامت دولة قطر باحترام القادمين لمشاهدة كأس العالم دون النظر إلى لون أو عرق أو دين، وهذا ما حث عليه الدين الإسلامي، وتم طرح عدة صور عن الاحترام منها احترام الكبير واحترام طريق المشاة واحترام الآخرين وكيفية التحدث

Y6 students participated in creating and presenting a play about the monthly value which is the value of respect. This strengthened the Qatari identity, as the State of Qatar respected those who came to watch the World Cup without regards to colour or race and this is what the Islamic religion urged. Several forms of respect were presented, including respect for elders, respect for pedestrians, respect for others and how to talk to them.



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أقامت مدرسة نيوتن العالمية (الخليج الغربي) مسابقة للعلماء المسلمين للصفوف الرابع و الخامس و السادس الابتدائي خلال أسبوع اللغة العربية المقام من 15 إلى 19 من العام الدراسي 2022-2023م بإشراف قسم اللغة العربية وذلك من خلال مشاركة الطلاب وكتابتهم نبذة لعدد من العلماء المسلمين القدامى ودورهم الإيجابي في بناء الحضارة الإسلامية والإنسانية ، ويجب علينا أن نقدر دورهم وفضلهم في تطوير العلوم والآداب وما حققوه من ابتكارات عظيمة كما تفاعل الطلبة بشكل ممتع وجاد و شعر الطلاب المشاركين والمستمعين بالفخر والاعتزاز بالحضارة الإسلامية وذلك سيكون دافعاً ومحفزاً ليقتدوا بهؤلاء العلماء الذين كان لهم دور كبير في ازدهار الحضارة الإنسانية لقرون عدة ويسير الجيل الجديد على خطى العلماء لينبوا الوطن بالعلم والعمل ويكونوا خير خلف لخير سلف . تم التقاط الصور للطلاب المشاركين وتم تكريمهم وتوزيع شهادات

Newton International School (West Bay) held a competition for Muslim scholars for Y4, Y5 and Y6. Through the participation of students and their writing of an overview of a number of ancient Muslim scholars and their positive role in building Islamic and human civilization. We must appreciate their role and merit in the development of science and literature and the great innovations they have achieved. The students also interacted in an enjoyable and serious way. The participating students and listeners felt proud of the Islamic civilization, and this will be a motive and motivator for them to follow the example of these scholars who have had a great role in the prosperity of human civilization for many centuries and the new generation will follow in the footsteps of Scholars to build the country with knowledge and work and be the best successor to the best predecessor

تم مشاركة الطلاب بعضهم البعض من جميع الصفوف والمراحل من الصف الأول إلى الصف السادس في أسبوع اللغة العربية في حفل الختام الذي أقيم في يوم الخميس 19/1/2023 ، الأطعمة والمشروبات وذلك لتعزيز قيم احترام الشعوب بعضها البعض وتبادل الثقافات وذلك بإشراف منسقة قسم اللغة العربية .

Students from all grades and stages from the first to the sixth grade participated in the Arabic Language Week in the closing ceremony that was held on Thursday 19/1/2023. Pupils shared food and drinks, in order to enhance the values of respect for each other and exchange culture



تم تكريم الطلاب الأوائل من جميع الصفوف والمراحل من الصف الأول إلى الصف السادس في مادة اللغة العربية في حفل الختام الذي أقيم في أسبوع اللغة العربية يوم الخميس 19/1/2023 ، وذلك لتعزيز الطلبة وتقديرهم ، ورفع مستواهم اللغوي ، وقد تم توزيع الشهادات والجوائز للطلاب المتفوقين بإشراف منسقة قسم اللغة العربية

The top students from all grades and stages, from the first to the sixth grade in the Arabic language subject, were honored at the closing ceremony, in order to enhance and appreciate the students, and raise their language level. Certificates and prizes were distributed to the students

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'AN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS



This half term saw us celebrate International week, during this week pupils learnt all about different countries from across the globe as well as learning about each other's home countries. Pupils took part in a range of activities across the week. Sunday saw pupils create spectacular pieces of art based around their year group's chosen continent. On Monday pupils participated in a 'Country Carousel'. Each class teacher prepared an activity based around one of the countries from their year group's chosen continent.

For Tuesday's activity pupils were assigned a homework task to prepare a presentation on either their home country or a country they are interested in. We saw some amazing presentations of countries that spanned the world including Qatar, Algeria, Portugal and Argentina. Alongside their presentations pupils wore their home countries traditional clothing or clothes of the country they had created their presentation about. The end of International Week saw pupils and teachers bring in a selection of international food for everyone in their class to sample. It was a great way to finish a week where pupils got to celebrate their own traditions, cultures and food as well as learn about so many other countries. The library sessions that week really summed up the week as pupils with the support of Ms Edith produced a great display showing that we all might be different countries but we are all part of one large international community.



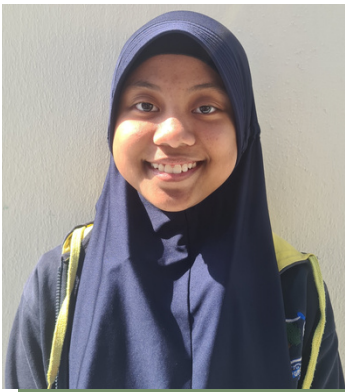
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WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO HAVE STUDENT PREFECTS?



KAISA ZAHIRA PREFECT 6 CRIMSON

I encourage everyone to try your best. I enjoy being given responsibility and having a lot of opportunity for discussion and debate for changes. We get to express our opinions and practice leadership.



TAMEEM AL JABRI PREFECT 6 CRIMSON

Helping and getting responsibilities is amazing. I believe we need to work hard to help the little kids and help them feel comfortable. Looking after our environment is something I try to help with every day.



AHYAN ZELMA PREFECT 6 EMERALD

I am so grateful to be a prefect. I have wanted to be one since Year 2, when I saw my brother become one. I help to encourage people to take responsibility, wear uniform correctly and to pick their rubbish up from the ground.



HALA RAMI ABU-SALAH PREFECT 6 EMERALD

My dream to be a prefect came true in Year 6. It is a big responsibility and high expectations of behaviour. I take my jobs on, which included helping my classmates, improving the school environment, and helping teachers with tasks.

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Following on from everyone's amazing effort during Sustainability Week last term we are focussing on how we can continue to look after our local and global environments. Next to the school there is a clothes recycling bank, this allows everyone the chance to recycle any unwanted items of clothing which will help the environment in the long term. We are currently planning lots of in-school initiatives to reduce, reuse and recycle. We look forward to sharing some of these with you in the next newsletter.



The Ministry of Municipality announced the launch of a "zero waste" competition, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, to encourage students to participate in the "zero waste" campaign and create new ways to dispose of waste, recycle and protect natural resources. We hope lots of West Bay pupils enter and show their creativity!



FILOPATEER IBRAHIM
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 3T

I have recently joined the student council as part of 3 Turquoise. I am proud to represent my class and I look forward to putting forward and sharing some of my ideas.



GOURI DEIF
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 5C

As well as my role on the student council I was also chosen to be house captain for the GUINN house. I am so happy to be chosen for this role and I look forward in leading House Guinn to victory.



YASSIN KHALED
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 4C

I have really enjoyed the themed weeks we have had in school. We especially loved international week in which we got to try different cuisines from many different cultures. As part of the student council, I aim to push forward more themed/dress up days this year.



ALI HAITHAM
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 4E

School has been amazing since we have arrived back from the long break. I have so many ideas I look forward to sharing in the next meeting. Some include helping out at the school fair which we are all eagerly anticipating.

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ARRR! WHAT A GREAT START WE HAVE HAD TO THE TERM IN YEAR 1!



Everyone has worked very hard and have started the new year with lots of eagerness and enthusiasm. We have had a busy term filled with exciting events, lots of hard work and learning.

In English, we learnt all about instructional writing. We kicked off the learning this term by going on a mysterious treasure hunt using a map that the pirates had left in Ms Mari's post! We worked hard as a team to follow the instructions on the map and we followed the golden coins, which led us all to a delicious treat! This fun activity helped us to learn how to write instructions using all the key features that we have been learning about, such as time connectives and bossy verbs.



In Mathematics, we continued to learn about the "Base Ten" as well as counting on from ten using number lines, counters and ten frames. We really enjoyed these practical lessons as they helped us see the different ways that we can use to count on, add and subtract! We also learnt about doubles and near doubles as well as learning about the different number bonds to 20. It's been a great term learning about all these topics and we look forward to learning some more about these topics again soon!

In Science, we had a great time looking at materials and their properties. We enjoyed the different experiments, looking at different objects, categorising them in terms of materials and properties. We enjoyed making predictions about whether some objects were waterproof or absorbent and it was interesting to see the movements of the toy vehicles on surfaces with different materials. This really helped us understand how materials and their properties differed from each other.



In Humanities, we learnt all about the seven continents. Our favourite thing to do this term was to sing the song about the seven continents which really helped us remember their names! We also enjoyed going on missions on our pirate ships from continent to continent, learning all about them and their famous landmarks as well as the different animals that live there. What an exciting journey it's been!

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WHAT A GREAT TERM IT HAS BEEN IN YEAR 2 SO FAR!



In Maths we have been learning about money and how to make different amounts using coins and notes. We could identify different coins and notes and compare them according to their value. Recently we have started to use arrays to create multiplication and repeated addition number sentences.



In English we have been learning the story of the Great Fire of London and we created our own versions of the Toby and the Great Fire of London story using new characters and disasters. We learnt how to use adverbs, speech marks and adjectives to make our writing more creative and imaginative. In Science we learnt about materials and their properties. We described different materials and thought about their use. We conducted some investigations into different materials. One of our investigations was about what materials we could use to protect an egg when it is dropped from a height. Our second investigation was our fire experiment, which was fantastic! We watched the houses we made from different materials burn and we observed how fast the material we chose burnt. Then we reflected on the experiment and identified which materials are flammable and which are non-flammable. The fire experiment was also linked to our learning in Humanities where we learnt about the story and the people in the Great Fire of London in Stuart times.

We have had great special days this term! First, we had Arabic week and we shared food and wore our traditional costumes. Then, during the international week we learnt about different countries in South America, like Argentina, shared international food and wore our traditional costumes. In the end, we presented information about the country of our choice in front of our class. We also went on a school trip to Baladna Farm which was amazing. Everybody had so much fun taking part in all the different activities.



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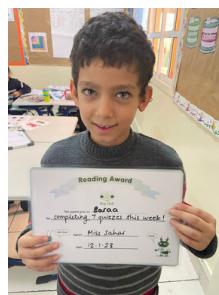
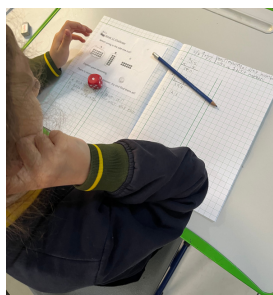
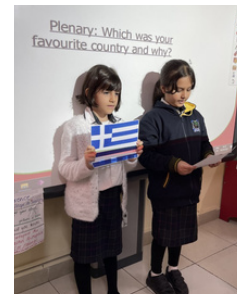


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WHAT AN EVENTFUL START TO TERM 2 FOR YEAR 3!



What a start we have had after the World Cup break! It has been an eventful month in Year 3 to say the least. In Science, we were learning all about Animals including Humans. First, we looked at the Eatwell plate and explored the different food groups in order to understand what makes a balanced diet and where our nutrition comes from. Then, we explored the skeletons of different animals and looked at the different types of skeletons. The children enjoyed looking at their model skeletons and singing head, shoulders, knees and toes with bones! We were learning about Italy in Humanities. First, we used an atlas to locate where it was on the map as well as looking at Italy's neighbouring countries. Then, we went on an exciting geography hunt to explore different physical features of famous mountains and rivers located in Italy.



In Maths we have been exploring multiplication and division using flexible partitioning. The children have learnt how to multiply a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number with and without exchange. We even looked at dividing with remainders and have incorporated iPad lessons as well as lessons including representatives to deepen our understanding. We also learnt about writing a set of instructions by learning 'How to make a pizza.' The children had a lot of fun learning this model text and have been able to innovate it in a range of creative ways, including a hook lesson making and eating a real pizza!



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A WONDERFUL START TO TERM TWO!



In Maths, we have been exploring multiplication and division using written methods and partitioning. The children in year 4 were given the opportunity to explore different methods of multiplication and division and enjoyed challenging themselves working with up to 3-digit numbers with remainders. We then moved on to length and perimeter, working with finding equivalent lengths as well as working with a range of measurements.



In English, Year 4 have been looking at myths. We began by looking at our model text about the famous myth of Beowulf and Grendel, linking in to our humanities topic of the Vikings in Scandinavia. We created a story map based off the model text before proceeding to extract the features of the text ahead of planning our own. The children were then allowed to innovate and create a unique myth before planning, preparing and drafting their own myths using the features we extracted. These myths turned out to be so interesting to read!

In Science, this term, we have been focusing our learning on States of Matter. We explored the characteristics of the different states before identifying examples. We then looked at how states of matter may change before having the chance to complete many experiments and investigations upon this really interesting topic.



In Humanities, the Victorious Vikings were our focus for this term. We looked at how the Vikings lived day to day before immersing ourselves in their interesting history! Exploring their travel, trade and famous raids, we have had a lot of fun delving into their unique part of history.



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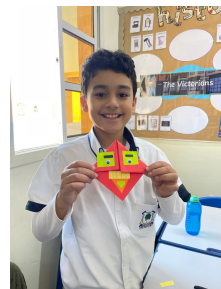
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A GREAT LEAP BACK INTO LEARNING YEAR 5!



Welcome back to all the Year 5's. We can hardly believe we are finished with the first month of Term 2. It has been an extremely busy term so far, celebrating three special weeks; Book week, Arabic week and International week!

During Book week, the children had the opportunity to visit Crescent Book store in Villa 6. We had a wonderful time wearing our pyjama's, in this unusually rainy weather we have been experiencing in Qatar. We used some of our art lessons to create our own, unique origami bookmarks.



International week also saw many activities taking place each day. We shared fantastic home-made food from our native countries, learnt more about North America in a carousel activity with each of the Year 5 teachers and got to dress up in traditional clothes.

In between all the fun, we are still hard at work focusing on new topics. It has been very interesting learning about the Victorians and their wicked classroom punishments! This month, in English, we have been looking at portal stories and how they can help us travel to significant historical events. We have looked at a few different forces in science lessons, trying different experiments to help us learn. The next month holds even more excitement with our Year 5 trip and National Sport's Day!

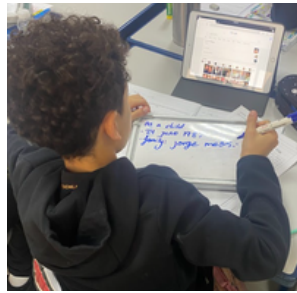


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WHAT AN ACTION PACKED START TO THE TERM IN YEAR 6!

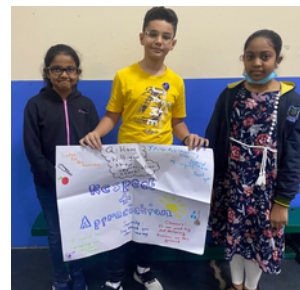


In English, we have been learning about Biographies. During this sequence, we have been focusing on formal language in SPAG. Interestingly, our model text was all about Greta Thunberg - an youth climate activist. Through this, we had discussion about our role as global citizens on how to be sustainable. We enjoyed interviewing our teachers to help us gather information to write their biography for our guided write! Finally, we researched our own celebrity using ipads for our hot write. In English Reading, we immersed ourselves in poetry and non-fiction texts.



In Mathematics, we introduced a new topic: Ratio. During the topic, we use multi-link cubes and counters to teacher us different concepts about Ratio as Fractions. We learned how to apply this to real-life situations including recipes and how to plan a school trip! Now, we have begun algebra and have been using new mathematical terms such as: expressions, equations and substitution!

In Science, we have been learning about electricity. We used our theory to make predictions about circuits - Would our designs work? First, we designed a circuit in our books and guessed if they would work based on what we learned. After that, we tested our hypothesis' in groups using bulbs, wires, motors and batteries. Then, we analyzed our results. Using balloons, we learned that Static electricity is caused by friction! Also, we created posters on how to stay safe using electricity. We also learned about persuasive writing techniques to persuade our readers to reduce electricity use - inspired by Greta Thunberg (Our English Writing Text).



Humanities was also fun! We have learned about the events leading up to World War Two, Evacuation and The Blitz. When learning about the Blitz, we were able to see a real life gas mask! During our Evacuation Dress-up Day, we created Anderson Shelters, wrote an old style diary entry from the perspective of a young child during the war, created Blitz paintings (where we learned to shade and use silhouettes). Finally, we enjoyed a quiz!.



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NOTES FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM



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WHAT AN AMAZING START TO 2023!

It has been an fantastic first five weeks back! There has been lots of great learning taking place inside and outside of the classrooms as well as many opportunities for pupils to take part in specialist week activities. This half term has seen pupils celebrate Book Week, Arabic Week and International Week. Across all three weeks the creative flair of pupils were demonstrated in various arts and crafts activities as well as in the costumes they wore as part of each week.

After school clubs (ASCs) started again on the 10th January and will run until February 22nd. It is wonderful to see so many pupils signing up and enjoying the clubs we offer after school. This term also saw the return of karate which as proved very popular with pupils from across the year groups.

Term 2 also saw a Parents Coffee Morning being held, this allowed parents to meet with the Senior Leadership Team to discuss the curriculum and school policies. The Parent as Partners committee has also been created and we are very thankful to the parents who have join. There has already been a very productive meeting held to discuss the role of the committee and how it can work together with the school to support, develop and improve the already fantastic school events and the teaching and learning.

This half term has also seen many year groups going on school trips to either Baladna Farm or Bounce. The pupils and staff really enjoyed the trips and we look forward to see what the next excursions will be! Please see the important dates below for the important dates for the next half term. There are some great events on the calendar including the school fair. We hope that you, your family and friends can join us for what will be an amazing afternoon of fun.



Important Dates:

Friday 3rd February - Beach Clean Up

Sunday 5th February - Maths Week

Week beginning Sunday 5th February - School Sports Days

Tuesday 14th February - National Sports Day (school closed)

Wednesday 22nd February - After school clubs end

Friday 24th February - School Fair

Monday 6th March - Parent meetings

Thursday 9th March - Reports sent home

Thursday 9th March - End of Term 2



TOP OF THE CLASS!

The top 3 classes with the best attendance % this half term are.....

- 1) 5 Emerald - 98.93%
- 2) 4 Silver - 91.95%
- 3) 2 Crimson - 91.52%

Well done on your super attendance.