

## Message from the Head Teacher

### Great News—Smithdown Primary has been awarded the Gold Maths Quality Mark.

Last week we were visited by a Maths Quality Mark Assessor. She observed maths lessons, spoke to children, staff and maths Buddies about the role of maths in the school and how we support our community developing maths skills for life. As one of the few schools to be awarded Gold, I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and commitment. The report recommends that our next step is to **"continue with the inspirational practise seen today!"**



## ATTENDANCE NEWS

Nursery am: 93%

Nursery pm: 85%

RLMc: 89%

RLK: 87%

Year 1 GH: 93%

Year 1SW: 83%

Year 2AG: 98%

Year 2 LA: 85%

Year 3: 95%

Year 4: 99%

Year 5: 96%

Year 6: 99%

**Well Done to  
Year 4 and Year  
6 with 99%  
attendance.**

**School starts at  
8.55am**

**Children can come  
into school from  
8.45am and should  
be in class by  
8.55am.**

## PE Kit



Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school on the correct days.

Children need:

- Black shorts
- White t-shirt
- Plimsolls/pumps/trainers



On **Friday 23rd March**, we will be raising money for Sports Relief. **On that day, children can come to school in sports clothes for a suggested donation of £1.00.**

During the day they will take part in fun sporting activities as well as learning about the work of the charity.

### Dates for your diary:

19th March—Year 2LA visiting farm.

20th March—EYFS reading workshops begin.

20th March—Africa Oye working with Years 3 and 5

21st March—Year 5 working with Mersey Mavericks

21st March—Year 4 visiting LFC.

22nd March—Year 4 visiting Liverpool Hope University.

22nd March—Year 2AG visiting farm.

23rd March—Sports Relief Day—children can wear sports clothes in return for a donation.

23rd March—Year 3 signing assembly.

26th March—Year 3 visiting Tatton Park.

27th & 28th March—Parents / Carers Evening.

29th March—School closes for holiday.

9th April—School Closed—INSET

10th April—Children return to school.

10th April—Zoolab working with Year 1.

11th April—Year 4 and 6 visiting Terracotta Army at Liverpool Museum.

11th April—Year 2 Mosque visit.

12th and 13th April—Reception classes health screening.

12th April Year 4 visiting Victoria Gallery and Museum



Reception Classes enjoyed a visit to Delamere Forest— there was lots of stick play, den building and they even found a Gruffalo!



Year 6 visited Liverpool Hope University to participate in a series of practical Science challenges on the topic of Light and Sound.

## E-Safety

### Gaming:

Find out about the parental controls available - it helps if you are the one to set up the gaming device so you are in control of these. Gaming devices have parental controls to help parents manage their children's gaming, for example, to prevent internet browsing or restrict access to age-restricted games. Also find out about the PEGI age ratings to help you decide which games are appropriate for your child (find out more about PEGI here: <http://www.pegi.info/en/index/id/33/>) **Talk with your child about safe and responsible gaming and agree a set of family rules.** Perhaps you could agree rules with your child about how long they are allowed to play for, how they should behave towards other gamers and agree rules about not meeting up with people they have only met online.