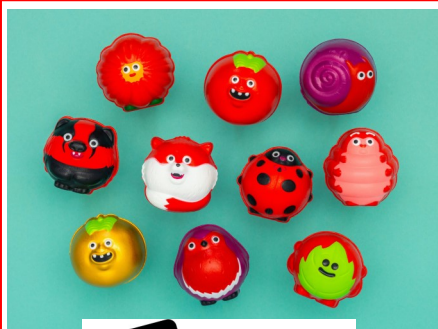


## Message from the Headteacher

Once again, thank you to all parents and carers and pupils for making last week such a great return to face to face schooling. I would also like to thank you for striving to keep your distance from other households on the playground and wearing face masks unless medically exempt.

Within school, staff were thrilled to see the children again and have done a fantastic job to support them to settle back in. Children have been so positive about how much they missed school and are excited to be back. It is so lovely to have our Smithdown Community back together.



**FRIDAY 19 MARCH**

Friday 19th March is this years Comic Relief Red Nose Day.

Throughout the week children will be able to buy Red Noses. This year they are plastic free and cost £1.50. We are limiting them to 1 per child to begin with, to ensure everyone has a chance to buy one.

If your child would like one they need to bring in the **correct money**. Noses will be on sale in classrooms.

On Friday, children can wear their **own clothes**, and each class will have their own fun activities.

## SCHOOL TIMES

Just a reminder that **all** children should be in class by 8.55am each morning (gates open at 8.45am).

At the end of the day, Reception, and Years 1, 2 and 3 should be collected at 3.00pm and Years 4, 5 and 6 at 3.10pm.

We understand some families have children in different year groups but would appreciate if you collect children at the correct time as this avoids crowding on the playground and passageways.

## ATTENDANCE NEWS SPRING TERM

Nursery A: 79%

Nursery B: 88%

RLMc: 97%

RAG: 99%

Year 1 RMc: 99%

Year 1CP: 93%

Year 2GH: 95%

Year 2 TD: 100%

Year 3 LA: 98%

Year 3 MD: 99%

Year 4 NM: 95%

Year 4 BK: 100%

Year 5NA: 99%

Year 5TS: 96%

Year 6: 95%

**Well Done to this  
weeks winners,**

**Y2TD and Y4BK with  
100% attendance.**



## Dates for your diary:

### MARCH

19th March—Comic Relief Red Nose Day.

25th March—Resilience Champions Training for Year 5.

27th March—End of Term.

### APRIL

12th April—Children return to school.

### MAY

3rd May—Bank Holiday.

24th May —Year 6 working with James Riley (Gangs and personal safety).

28th May—School closes for half term.

6th June—Children return for Summer Term.

# A Flying Start



All classes have settled quickly back into school routines. We have been blown away by the work produced.

Y2GH



## HOUSEHOLD TESTING

As a household, you can now access testing twice weekly. These are the 'quick result' tests. You can visit a local test centre or click the link below to receive tests you can do at home. School staff will be doing this testing twice a week.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff?priority-tax=774cee22-d896-44c1-a611-e3109cce8eae>

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