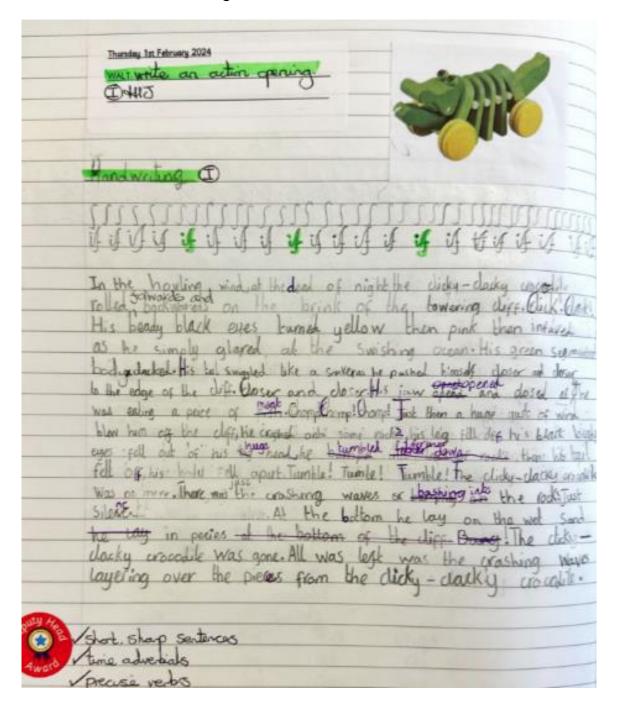




Friday 2nd February 2024

Writer of the Week

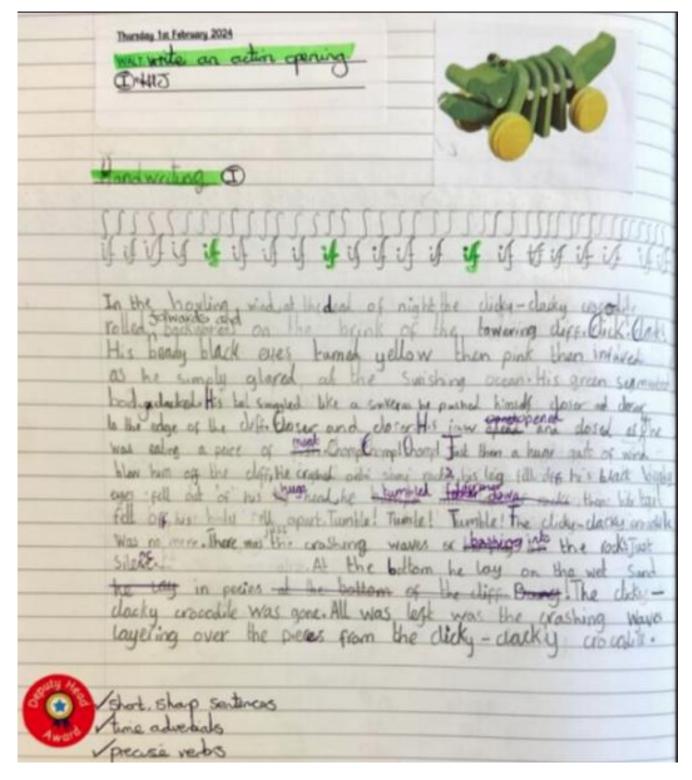
This week's writers of the week are Isabel and Annabelle in Year 3 for their excellent action story openings where they have innovated on the story of The Iron Man by Ted Hughes and described a different character stepping off the cliff and tumbling to the sand below. Both children used well-chosen examples of the features of action writing. Well done!





NEWSLETTER





Year 6 Parent Consultation

We are very sorry for the inconvenience, but we need to rearrange the date of the year 6 parent consultation from Tuesday 20th February to Thursday 22nd February as Mrs Groves is unavailable on the original date. If you have already made an appointment, we will automatically transfer it to the new date. Please contact the office if you need to rearrange your appointment. Once again please accept our apologies for the inconvenience.

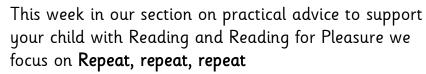
Parent Readers WANTED!

We are looking for any parents who would like to volunteer to come in to school and read to their child's class over the course of the year. This could be a story, information text, comic, or poem. You can either bring in your own or we can provide one for you. The session would take place at 2:45-3:00pm and days are flexible. Whether you can commit to a regular slot or just come in as a one off, we need you! Maybe you can't commit yourself, but a grandparent or aunty can! If you are interested, please email your child's class teacher directly through the class email address. They will then work with you on a suitable date and time.

We thank you for your continued support.

Reading Tips

Welcome to our new weekly section on practical advice to support your child with Reading and Reading for Pleasure.





There is nothing wrong with reading the same book many times. Reading the same book again and again will help your child get to know the story. Once they know it well, ask them about what's happening, what happens next or how the character feels and why, and praise them when they respond.

<u>Certificates this week - well done to the following children.</u>

- Bella, Mila, Husnia & Arthur
- Joshua, Haaziq & Layla
- Tyler, Yusha & Olivia

<u>Attendance Matters</u>

Spring 1 Attendance

	Wk1	Wk2	Wk3	Wk4	Wk5	½ term
<u>Year 1</u>	92.0	91.3	96.7	98.7		
Year 2	89.3	89.3	92.4	96.1		
<u>Year 3</u>	92.0	85.3	98.3	94.3		
Year 4	93.7	86.3	94.0	87.0		
<u>Year 5</u>	95.9	95.2	97.2	96.9		
<u>Year 6</u>	89.4	91.3	98.1	98.7		
Whole school	92.0	89.8	96.1	93.7		

Well done **Year 1 and Year 6** you have the best attendance this week.

Whole school attendance since the beginning of the academic year is running at 94.0%

<u>Vacancy - Cleaner</u>

https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/186495/cleaner-annie-lennard-primary-school/

The Governors at Annie Lennard Primary School are looking to appoint a cheerful and enthusiastic cleaner to work as part of our own dedicated cleaning team. The role will involve general cleaning of the school buildings. You will work both individually in a section of the school and as part of a team.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has recent experience of cleaning within a school setting
- A good timekeeper
- Able to work as a team
- Self-motivated
- Is reliable

Sandwell Council and Annie Lennard Primary school are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our pupils, we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS check. Pre-employment checks will be carried out in line with KCSIE

This permanent post is for 10 hours per week 7am - 9 am Monday to Friday, 52 weeks per year with holiday entitlement. (holidays are not permitted in term time)

Applications, Job Descriptions and Personnel Specifications can be viewed and downloaded from the Sandwell Council website.

Completed application forms can be emailed to natalie.crozier@annielennard.sandwell.sch.uk

Closing date: Friday 16th February 2024 Shortlisting: from 19th February 2024

Interviews: Week beg 19th February 2024 — date to be confirmed

Frank Chapman Residential Trip





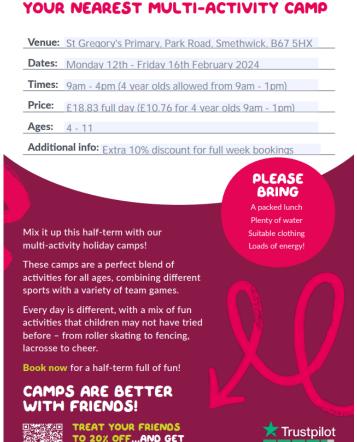
We have been overwhelmed with how the Frank Chapman trip has filled up this week, we are pleased to announce the trip will be going ahead this year. If you are interested in your child going, please sign up on parent pay, once we have filled all places, we will be opening a waiting/ reserve list.





Holiday Activities you might be interested in





20% OFF TOO!

Dates for your Diary

Month	Date		
February	Wednesday 7 th	Year 4 reading workshop	
February	12 th – 16 th	Half Term Holiday	
February	Tuesday 20th	Parent Consultation Day – Year R, 2, 4 & 6 8am – 6.30pm	
February	Thursday 22 nd	Parent Consultation Day – Year N, 1, 3 & 5 8am – 6.30pm	
	Tuesday 27 th	Year 6 SATS revision club starts for year 6, this will run every	
		Tuesday up until SATS week in May. 3.15 — 4pm	
March	6 th	Year 3 reading workshop	
March	13 th	Year 1 reading workshop	
March	14 th	Reception visit to St Hildas — 1pm — 3pm	
March/	$25^{th} - 5^{th}$	Factor Holidays	
April		Easter Holidays	
April	8 th	Summer term starts for pupils	
April	$24^{th}-26^{th}$	Year 3 to Year 6 residential trip to Frank Chapman	
May	6 th	May Day Bank Holiday — school closed	



May	8 th - 16 th	Year 6 SATS breakfast club	
May	13 th - 16 th	Year 6 SATS week, all year 6 pupils MUST be in school this	
		week for Statutory testing	
May	$20^{th}-23^{rd}$	Summer Book Fair	
May	Tuesday 21st	EYFS trip to Wild Lives Forest School at Warley Woods	
May	27 th - 31 st	Half Term Holiday	
June	$3^{rd} - 7^{th}$	Year 4 multiplication test will happen this week	
June	Friday 7 th	Class Photographs	
June	$10^{th} - 14^{th}$	Year 1 Phonic screening test & Year 2 retake this week	
June	Friday 28 th	Provisional Date for Sports Day @ Thimblemill Rec	
July	Wednesday 10 th	Year 6 end of year production 9.30 in school Hall	
July	Thursday 11 th	Year 6 end of year production 1.30 in school Hall	
July	Friday 12 th	Reports out to Parents	
July	Monday 15 th	Year 6 Leavers Prom @ Thimblemill Rec 6pm — 8pm	
July	Wednesday	Class Swap — pupils will meet their new class teacher 9.15 —	
	17 th	10.15	
July	Friday 19 th	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.15 — 3.00	
July	Friday 19 th	Pupils Break up for Summer Holidays	
July	Monday 22 nd	Training Day — school closed to pupils	

Reading workshops for parents

An opportunity for parents to come into school to learn about how much we value reading at Annie Lennard — you will see how we teach reading and what your child is learning to do in reading this year, as well as reading with or to your own child, its also an opportunity for them to show you their reading evidence.

Wednesday 7th Feb 2024 - Year 4 Wednesday 6th March - Year 3 Wednesday 13th March — Year 1



You may have by now noticed that we have made our very own Annie Lennard Primary School sharing hub in the main school

entrance conservatory area. Please feel free to look and help yourselves to any of the products, food or school uniform that has kindly been donated by school staff. If you are able and



would like to donate any nonperishable food items, toiletries, or cleaning products to our school sharing hub then that would be most greatly appreciated, please give any donations in to the school office.

Meals

All meals MUST be paid for on ParentPay before ordering, credit can be added to cover any meals that have already been taken.

We don't serve Halal meat in school so if you request Halal, we will class your child as pescatarian and they will only be served vegetarian & fish. Let the office know if you need to update your child's information.

First Aid notifications

We will be sending all first aid incidents via email on Medical Tracker. We will only call you if we feel you need to collect your child. If you need to update email address, send it to admin.office@annielennard.sandwell.sch.uk with child's name & class.

Home Time

If someone different is going to be collecting your child/ children, can you let the school office know before the end of the day please. We will **not** let your child go with anyone other than you or the person who normally collects them until we have had confirmation from parents.

Uniform

Can you please ensure that all your children's clothes are labelled with their name please, this will ensure an easy return when things get misplaced.