

26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

## Message from Mr Green

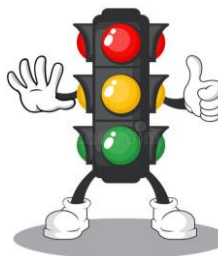
Happy Friday!

On Monday the focus of our assembly was Martin Luther King Jr, as we continue our focus on inclusivity during this half term. I have been overwhelmed with the amount of children who took up my challenge to present me with information about this incredibly influential person. Make sure that you have a look at some of the examples of work completed by our children in **THEIR OWN TIME** from page 3! I am incredibly proud of the young, conscientious citizens that we have here at VPA!

This week we also had some fantastic trips to St Phillips Church and the local Mosque (p.2). Staff, parent volunteers, and the religious leaders were overwhelmed by the children's exemplary behaviour and curiosity; the maturity and inclusive perspective when asking questions during their visit was noted as a highlight by the religious leaders and we couldn't be prouder of everyone involved. On Thursday, Mrs Jenkins and I had a learning walk around EYFS and KS1 to look at phonics. It was wonderful to see our youngest interacting and immersed in the sessions - with the code, blending and segmenting in full flow. From room-to-room the way that they interacted with their teachers, each other, and their focus on the task at hand was a joy to behold.

Have a fantastic weekend and I'll see you all on Monday!

## Attendance



This week: **92.24%**

So far this year: **92.3%**

EYFS/KS1 winner: **95.17%**

KS2 winner: **96.84%**

Well done to **AM Nursery** and **5SW** who will be spending next week with **Biscuit Bear!**

## Reminders PE - Kit

Black, Navy, or white T-Shirt; Black or Navy shorts or joggers. Long hair to be tied back with a bobble. Earrings – stud earrings only to be worn for health and safety reasons.

### Monday to Thursday

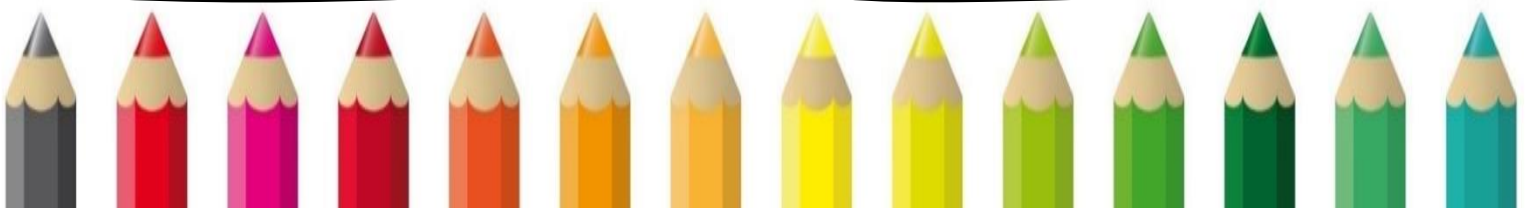
Community Pantry, Uniform / Clothing Exchange  
**3.15pm - 3.45pm**

### Thursday

Parent coffee and crafting sessions with Julie Parker Leeds Learning Hub  
**1.15pm - 3.15pm**

### Friday

Coffee mornings with Miss Dooley & Mrs. Connolly in the staffroom - all welcome! Please call in and join us!  
**8.45am - 9.30am**





## Reception visit St Phillips Church

We had an amazing time at the St. Philips Church. The trip took place as part of our R.E. curriculum. Our Reception class had the opportunity to discover the meanings behind objects and architectural features and uncover their historical significance! It was indeed a beautiful experience! Well done, Reception!

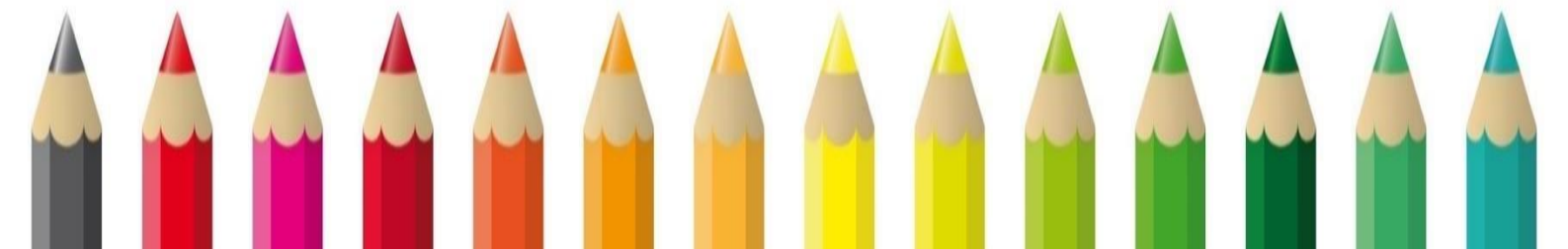


## Year 3 and Year 4 Visit

### Leeds Swahili Cultural Community Centre

This week LKS2 had the exciting opportunity to visit the local Mosque. During the visit we were able to find out about the 5 pillars of Islam, how Muslims pray and how different faiths are linked together. We are so proud of our VPA children for being so respectful during the visit, engaging in the activities and asking some amazing questions!

Thank you to everyone at the Leeds Swahili Cultural Community Centre for an ENJOYABLE visit!



# "I have a dream..." Martin Luther King Jr.

Martin Luther King Jr.

**Children**

- Martin Luther King III
- Yolanda King
- Bernice King
- Dexter King

**Born**

15<sup>th</sup> January 1929  
(Atlanta, Georgia, United States)

**Death**

Born 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 1929  
Died 4<sup>th</sup> April 1968  
He was shot by someone called James Earl Ray

**Famous quote**

Darkness cannot drive out darkness only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate only Love can do that.

**Parents (Birth parents)**

his Dad is Martin Luther King Sr and his Mum is Alberta Williams King

**What's he famous for?**

his contributions to the American civil rights movement in the 1960s

**King was arrested 29 times**

Martin Luther King was named after protestants reformer Martin Luther King

James earl ray shot Martin Luther King

Rosa Parks  
born 4<sup>th</sup> February 1913  
Died 24 October 2005


On December 1, 1955 Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat to a white man on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama.

**Birth name**  
Michael King


**Arrests**  
He was arrested more than 25 times  
He wrote 5 books  
He decided at collage to become a preacher

# Martin Luther King

Martin Luther King was born January 15 1929 and passed away April 4 1968 he was an American Christian minister, activist, and political philosopher who was one of the most prominent leaders in the civil rights movement from 1955 until he passed away in 1968. He had 4 children named Martin Luther King III, Yolanda King, Bernice King, and Dexter King.



Martin Luther King once said "I HAVE A DREAM!"



# KING MARTIN LUTHER

born: 15 January 1929

assassinated: 4 April 1968

real name: Michael Luther King Jr but then it changed to Martin

Parents: Albert Williams King

Martin changed the name very much

he died 39 years old and 1929-1968

his most famous work is his speech "I have a dream"

he died by getting shot by a gun



# MARTIN LUTHER KING

JR

Martin Luther King Jr



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His most famous work is his "I have a dream" speech delivered in 1963

Martin Luther King was arrested 29 times for protesting

Martin Luther King Jr was named after Protestant Reformer Martin Luther

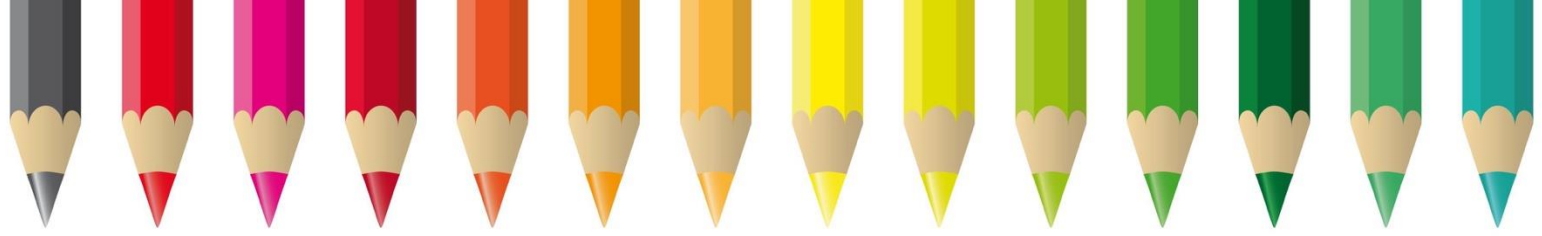
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## Martin Luther King Jr.

- King entered college when he was 15
- King was arrested 29 times
- King survived an assassination attempt a decade before his death.
- After his death, the King family filed a civil case against government and won.



Did you know that Martin Luther King Jr's famous, "I have a dream" speech was partly improvised and that the iconic phrase was left out of the original draft. While King had used the line in several speeches in the months prior to the March on Washington on August 28, 1963, a few of his advisors.



# Martin Luther King Junior

He was born on 15<sup>th</sup> January 1929

He took piano lessons from their mother

He's born to the Schoolteacher Alberta King and Baptist minister Michael Luther King.

For his first years of his life, he lived in Michael King.

And also enjoyed playing sports such as football and basketball and doing other odd jobs.

# MARTIN LUTHER KING!

Born: January 15 1929

Death date: April 4 1968

Death reason: Assassination

Death age: 39

Marriage: he was married to Coretta Scott.

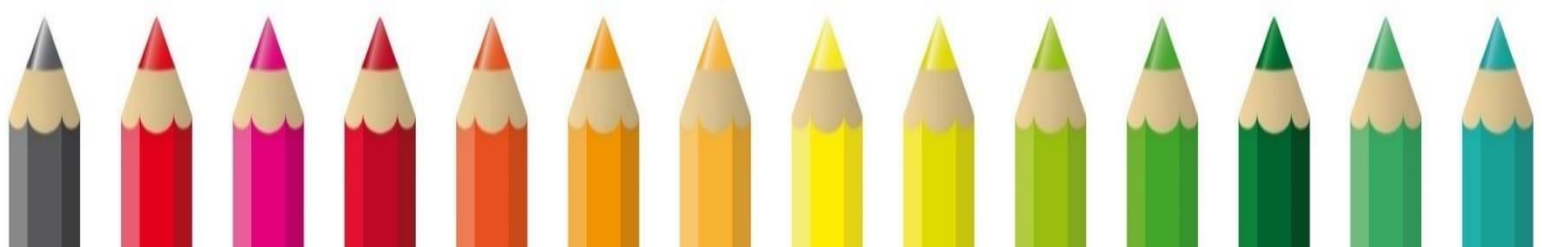
children: yes! In fact he had 4

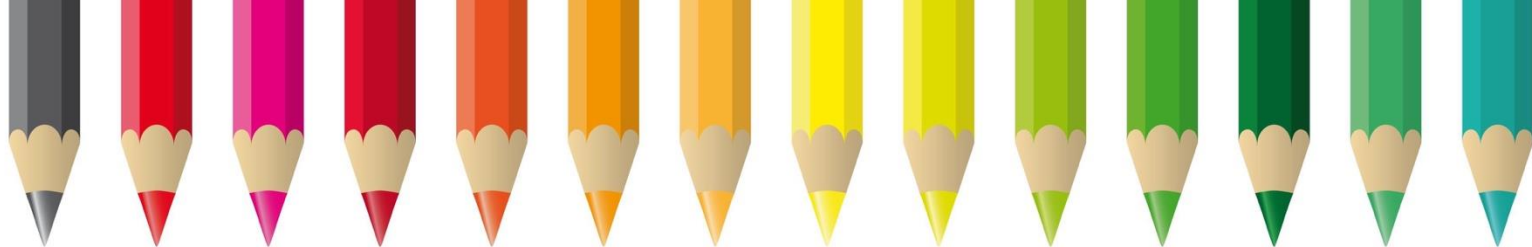
Birthday: January 15 1929

Fun Facts:  
He wanted the world to be fair.

Picture: Lets be Fair

**Thank you to everyone who has sent me work and talked to me about Martin Luther King Jr. this week - I'm extremely proud of the VPA family, who continue to be inclusive and the best that they can be! #TeamVPA**





<b>Spring 1</b>	<b>Events</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> January</b>	School opens Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January for Spring 1
<b>15<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Spring Clubs begin
<b>17<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Extreme Readers Event – Pizza Express
<b>18<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Parents Craft/Maths classes begin in the schoolhouse (1.15pm)
<b>24<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Reception Visit to St Phillips Church
<b>25<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Year 3 and Year 4 Visit to Mosque
<b>31<sup>st</sup> January</b>	Fire Brigade Visiting Nursery
<b>31<sup>st</sup> January</b>	Year 6 Parents consultations
<b>1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	Year 6 Parents consultations
<b>1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	Wellbeing Warrior Trip to Sculpture Park
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	Nursery dress up day (Topic Related)
<b>8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Maths City Trip
<b>8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Young Voices Choir Sheffield
<b>8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	School closes Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February for Half Term
<b>9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Wellspring Festival of Learning - school closed
<b>19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	School opens Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February for Spring 2

