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### School Values

Responsible Excellence Share Polite Encourage Communicate Truth

## Newsletter - 8th February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week was national Online Safety Week. As a school, we held many events to promote Online Safety. We had great success at the Parent/Carer Workshops with the best attendance we have ever had and some very positive feedback. The children across the school have been focusing on Online Safety with activities such as in Nursery & Reception, children were learning a story about a bear - the moral being - don't use the ipad unless your parents/carers say you can! In Year 6, children were working on a similar theme to that at the parent/carers workshop, around GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) and Copyright. What consent or permissions are you asked for and what are you consenting to? A big thank you and well done to Ms Bamford, our Online Safety Lead, for organising an informative and inspiring programme of events.

Just 1 week left before the half term break! I have included in the newsletter the events and dates for next half term.

Diane Barrick - Headteacher

### Sickness Absence

Over the last couple of weeks the school has been affected by a number of children who have caught some of the bugs going round. Here is a quick guide to what you should do to help your child and to ensure they attend school as much as possible whilst also making sure they don't return until they are no longer infectious:

**Coughs, Colds and Temperatures** - The weather is beginning to become much colder and will continue for another couple of weeks, We always ensure that children have opportunities to play outside during break and lunchtimes (unless it is pouring with rain) as it is vital that our children get fresh air during the day. Please ensure that children come to school in coats and suitably dressed for winter. Your child can still attend school should they have a cough and cold - just let an adult in the class know or contact the school office. We will always call you if they would be better off at home!

**Flu/flu like symptoms** - a number of parents/carers have reported their children having these symptoms. Visit this useful link from the NHS to help you understand your child's condition and how best to treat their symptoms -

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/flu/>.

**Sickness and Diarrhoea** - These illnesses can be spread very easily so we need to be absolutely certain if this is a bug or if you believe the sickness is as a result of something else. When children are sick or have diarrhoea due to a bug, they are not allowed back into school for 48 hours in order to prevent it spreading. However, if you believe there is a different reason why your child was sick or had loose motions, then inform the school office and they will let you know when your child should return.

### Term Time Holidays

A reminder to all parents/carers about holidays during term time, or attached to a school holiday will not be authorised, except in exceptional circumstances. Any parent/carers who takes their child/ren on holiday without authorisation will be issued with a penalty notice, with a charge of £60 per parent per child. Should your child/ren not attend school between Wednesday 13th February and Friday 15th February 2019, or return to school on Monday 25th February 2019, we will expect a note from your child's local GP to confirm their sickness/absence. Any parent/carers who does not provide this information will be issued with a penalty notice with a charge of £60 per parent per child.

### National Young Mathematicians Awards.

Last December, four of our year 6 pupils (Vickie, Arush, Jaasir and Alexandra) attended the semi-finals of the National Young Mathematicians Awards. The children performed amazingly well and, while we did not make it through to the finals, received some tremendous feedback. I have included the feedback here: I am sure that when you read this, you will be as proud of them as we are!

*"What struck the judges most was the team's ability to share responsibility during difficult tasks. Their teamwork skills were noticeably above their peers on the day and it was really heartening to witness them demonstrating perseverance and determination even when the tasks increased in difficulty. They were fearless in their approach to trying and testing methods and strategies and inspired each other to keep going right to the end. Leadership qualities were shown in abundance and overall the team's attitude to the event was infectious positive. While their calculations and recordings didn't score highly enough to be invited to the grand final (to which only 5 schools across the country attend), their marks for teamwork were some of the highest we saw."*

Well done - we are very proud of you!

## Dates for your diary

<p>18<sup>th</sup> Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Feb w/c 6<sup>th</sup> Mar 7<sup>th</sup> Mar March - TBC 13<sup>th</sup> Mar 15<sup>th</sup> Mar 27<sup>th</sup> Mar 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr 4<sup>th</sup> Apr 8<sup>th</sup> Apr 8-11 Apr</p>	<p><b>SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM</b> Children return to school Year 4 Swimming for 2 weeks Book Week World Book Dressing Up Day World Science Week Science Day Red Nose Day Spring Music Concerts - Years 3-6 Parent/Carer Meetings - 3.30pm - 8pm Easter Concert - EYFS (Nursery &amp; Reception) New school menu taster session for parents/carers <b>SCHOOL CLOSED - EASTER BREAK</b> Year 6 Easter School (Mon - Thu)</p>
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## Whole School Attendance - w/e 8th February 2019

### EYFS & KS1:

Sunflower - 95.6%	Snowdrop - 93.9%
Bluebell - 85.5%	Marigold - 98.6% <b>WELL DONE!</b>
Daisy - 97.5%	Poppy - 94.6%

### KS2:

Rose - 96.1%	Fern - 99.3%
Willow - 92.1%	Pine - 93.0%
Chestnut - 97.9%	Oak - 92.0%
Tulip - 99.6%	Holly - 100% <b>EXCELLENT!!</b>

Whole School Attendance this week (w/e 8th February 2019) - 95.3%  
Whole School Attendance so far - 4<sup>th</sup> September to 8th February 2019 - 96.0%  
**\*\*New Whole School Target - 96.4%\*\***

Well done to Marigold and Holly for best attendance this week!

**Keep working hard to ensure your child attends school every day and on time (8.55am)!**

## Achievement Awards

### \*\* Star of the Week - Polite \*\*

Avaleigh Wither, Samanvith Chandrathas, Alexis-Mae Watson-Johnson, Ayyan Downer, Mario Khan, Hoorain Islam, Matei Alixandru, Sophia Viegas Verdades De Sa, Hamza Omar, Kingshuk Shome, Eldon Plashniku, Rohaana Abdi, Ruby Withers, Atene Liaudegyte, David Botchway and Eva Chowdhury.

### \*\* Reader Award \*\*

Carter Johanson, Dannie Hinton, Henry O'Shea, Kimora Smith, Mia Rose Correia Dinis, Yonael Elias, Amelia-Rose Crowley, Tasniah Ahmed, Soha Ali, Zara Bundhoo, Maryam Uddin, Gabrieliuz Zareckas, Hawa Galayr and Ilias Khan.

### \*\* Homework Award \*\*

Huzaifa Hassan, Amena Chowdhury, Eliriana Hoxha, Ethan Osedebamen, Aldjon Hodaj, Hasan Ahmad, Christopher Dye, Rayna Aschkar-Laird, Saffron James, Cairon Lewis, Hurley Bravo, Ayla Ghani, Sayid Ali and Vickie Chen.

### \*\* Presentation Award \*\*

Imtithal Said, Adam Islam, Sarrinah Tahid, Muqtar Hassan, Siddratul Mehjabeen, Sufyaan Downer, Kaan Demircivi, Pelumi Maj-Dada, Sahiba Mughal, Benedicta Birago-Sarpong, Riaz Faure and Safa Akther.

### \*\* Pen Licence \*\*

Adelina Vint, Daniel Hanyov and Chelsi Pather

### \*\* Gold Award \*\*

Annika James, Thomas Currie, Antonio Upate, Anusri Shome, DeLion Hutchinson, Hope Onibudo, Millie Tuck, Xavier Pluck, Nila Arunachalam, Vitor Silverio Guimaraes, Nathan Ngombo, Alishba Khanam, Fahmida Choudhury, Aniq Shaque, Nailah Lawrence-Stokes, Kabishan Chandrathas, Victoria Mozolewska, Khadidja Tulunga, Alishba Shafiq, Iqra Akthar, Dhvani Patel, Sky Ward, Jean Carbone, Zaeem Hussain, Ronnie Darkoh and Amicet Upate.

### \*\* Lunchtime Award \*\*

Sandra Binu, Thomas Currie, Harry Elves, Millie Tuck, Fatima Quraishi, Liam Akyl, Suha Afroz, Jonathan Kamal, Laura Eni, Ambrin Elez, Hawa Galayr and Ilyaas Jama.