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Newsletter No. 5: Friday 7th October 2022

Weekly News

Dear Parents,

This week it has been wonderful to distribute various monitor and leader roles and responsibilities to the children, the majority of whom are in year six. We have children who are going to be house and vice captains, learning mentors and supporters of the younger children, behaviour mentors and reading buddies! We also have some fantastic monitors who will be in charge of organising resources for assemblies, collecting house points / Dojo points, as well as our office angels and hall and sound technicians. Wow - you will be very busy, children.

Mrs Smith has also set up the school council for this year. (We were grateful to welcome her back early from jury service.) They have already met once and been presented with their badges. We look forward to seeing the wonderful projects that they work on this year.

As well as all of these groups, our Mini Vinnies have been working particularly hard behind the scenes planning some lovely fundraising ideas to celebrate the Harvest! I was so impressed to hear all of their excellent and thought-provoking ideas. Please see a letter that they have written outlining all of their plans. We hope you will be able to support with this.

In other news, this week is dyslexia awareness week and Mrs Dell had organised for all classes to learn a bit more about dyslexia and what it is. The theme this year has allowed us to reflect on the barriers that those living with dyslexia may face, whilst also focusing on how individuals and the education system have continued to succeed and break through these obstacles. All children found this really beneficial.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kindest regards,
Mrs Hill

Inset Days: We now have our remaining inset days planned in. School will be closed to pupils on the following dates:

- Tuesday 3rd January
- Friday 17th February
- Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July.

Award Winners

During our Congratulations Assembly this morning, individual certificates have been distributed for children who have been thinking about capturing the reader's attention through their writing and being very helpful in the classroom.

Our Class of the Week Award was presented to Y5 this week. They could tell me all about how they are trying their hardest in lessons and being organised with their resources.

Our Attendance winners for this week (for the fifth week running) are Y2 with 98%!

Open Day

We are holding open days for any prospective Nursery and Reception parents.

You are welcome to join us to find out more about the school on:

Tuesday 8th November 9:30am
or

Thursday 10th November 2:30pm.

If you know of any prospective parents, please pass the message on!

We also have a few places available in our current Nursery class. Please contact the school office for more details.





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Notices

- Unfortunately, this week, we have received a number of complaints from parents and neighbours about inconsiderate and dangerous parking. Parking should be considerate to our school neighbours, ensuring that driveways, pavements and the roads are not blocked. It is imperative that we put the safety of our children first. We are also lucky enough to have use of the Church car park, a very short distance away. Please make use of this. If you are driving along Weston Crescent, then a one way system (coming in to the road closest to Harborough Drive) may be sensible to use at busy times. As with the entrance and exit to the Church car park, we cannot enforce this, but it would be very helpful as an additional safety measure. If you have to park on Weston Crescent, please make sure that this is not across dropped curbs and driveways and the emergency services, deliveries, residents, etc. would still have access to the road and their driveways. Please make a huge effort to park safely for our children and sensibly for the reputation of the school.
- A reminder that any child suffering from vomiting or diarrhoea should not return to school until 48 hours after their last episode. These viruses can spread very quickly and it is important that we try to avoid others from getting ill.
- Last academic year, a parents' volunteers to attend school trips list was started. We have a few parents on this list and would welcome some more. If you would like to be added to the list, stating that you can be available to attend some school trips, then please speak with Mrs Joyce, in our school office. She will explain how you can access a DBS check, in preparation. It will only be once or twice a year and parents enjoy them. The Office Managers manage the list and will be in touch with you as and when they need your support. Thank you in anticipation.

Events

We will be holding a book fayre in school, week beginning **10th October**. This will be open in the study room between 3:15-3:45pm after school each day. Please come through the main entrance once you have collected your child if you would like to take a look. It's a great chance to stock up on some early Christmas gifts. Plus, for all money spent, school will gain commission to purchase new books for our classrooms! Payments can be made at the fayre, either with cash or through payment on your phone via a QR code that we will have available.

Stay & Play - We hope Nursery parents and grandparents who were able to make it enjoyed the Stay and Play this morning!

PTA News - Unfortunately, our PTA numbers have really dropped during the COVID pandemic. We would absolutely love to get everything up and running again and do some more fundraising to support resources and treats for the children! Parents, new and old, are welcome to the next meeting at **7pm on Monday 10th October** here at school. It would be fantastic to see some new faces. .

Reflection

Today we celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary.

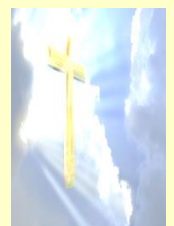
Alleluia, alleluia!

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee!

Blessed art thou among women.

Alleluia!

'I am the handmaid of the Lord,' said Mary 'let what you have said be done to me.'



Yours sincerely,
Mrs N. Hill
Headteacher