

Bi – Weekly Newsletter 16th November 2020

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and staying safe. We have two and half more weeks to go of this current lockdown and all being well, this will mean we can all celebrate Christmas as we would wish to - together. Thank you to our fabulous parents who continue to support us in keeping social distance and wearing your face covering whilst on our school yard. You are all wonders!

I know the teaching team are all looking forward to talking to you for our Parent Conference calls this Tuesday and Wednesday after school. Thank you for adjusting to the new way of running a 'parent/carers evening' - do continue to keep in contact on SeeSaw as this is a way of seeing what your child is learning, how they are learning and their progress as a class crew together.

We are starting to plan for Christmas in school and will be doing all we can to ensure our children have as 'normal' an experience in school as we can muster! We have ordered our tree, we will all be having a hot Christmas dinner; we are having a panto for Y1-Y6 in our Pods; we will have Crew parties - and we will have a filmed Nativity with EYFS and KS1 working together on a Covid secure play; and a KS2 Carol service filmed outside as we are not able to sing inside as a full class yet. We will make these films available for you to enjoy and keep as families.

This week we commemorated Remembrance Day as a whole school and all your children were so respectful and kind. I felt deeply proud of each and everyone one of them.

We need your help – As you will all be too aware, the time out of school has led to many of our children having some gaps in their learning. We have to fill these gaps and the children are responding so well to the expectations BUT, we cannot make all the time up just in school. Therefore, when we send home learning with your child, either if a bubble closes or as a weekly home learning expectation, please, please can you support your child(ren) to do this work. Our children like to learn, in fact they love it and it pains us when children tell us their parents won't read with them, or help them.

Like you, we want the best for every child and every little bit of time you can give to their learning is a gift of immeasurable value to their life. Finally, a last thank you all for your support Friday for Children in Need – it was much appreciated.

Warmest regards
Andrea Curran

Information

EYFs and KS1

Teach your Monster to Read app which we use in school is currently free to download

Reminder

We are offering a limited Breakfast Club and After School Club provision. Please book by Friday for the following week on the Parent app .

Contact details and Xmas FSM vouchers

Please ensure the school office has the most up-to-date phone and emails details if you are entitled to free School Meals as we are expecting the government to allocate vouchers for the Xmas school holiday – we don't want anyone to miss out!

**Monday 16th November
Anti Bullying Week**

**Odd Socks day Thursday 19th
November**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

P.E.

Monday	Year 1 - Football
Tuesday	Year 2 - Matball
Wednesday	Year 6 - Rounders
Wednesday	Year 4 - Cricket (Swimming when restrictions are lifted)
Thursday	Year 5 - Athletics
Friday	Year 6 – Basketball

Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th November – Parent Conference calls

Thursday 19th November – Odd Socks day

Tuesday 8th December: M&M Productions Panto for KS1-KS2 children in school

WORK OF THE WEEK

We are delighted to share that the following children received recognition from their teacher and gained 'Work of the Week' in our Celebration Assembly.

Friday 6th November 2020

Nursery Crew: Adrian for his great curiosity and scientific exploration of magnets.

Reception Crew: Sienna for trying so hard writing her name. Sienna has learned the power of the word "yet".

Year 1 Crew: Cara for her excellent collaborative maths work using ten frames to solve bonds to 10 problems.

Year 2 Crew: CJ for his excellent work using numicon to reinforce his understanding of number bonds to 10.

Year 3 Crew: Jaiden for his great maths work – and for challenging himself and not giving up.

Year 4 Crew: Alisha for researching and using facts about the raid at Lindisfarne in her excellent newspaper report.

Year Crew 5: William and Daniel for their fantastic work on deforestation in rain forests. They were able to discuss clearly the different points of view about this issue.

Year 6 Crew: Jensen for his courage and resilience in reading and working his way onto the Crew leaderboard in Reading Plus.

Friday 13th November 2020

Nursery Crew: Jacob for his persistence as he mastered scissor skills – he has now progressed onto standard scissors.

Reception Crew: Elizabetta for showing a great improvement in her name writing and drawing this week.

Year 1 Crew: Frankie for showing resilience and taking pride in his maths work when finding the total of bonds. He then independently applied his skills in a game of 'Counting Mountain'.

Year 2 Crew: Denny for his excellent maths work, Denny grasped the concept quickly and could apply it to reasoning problems.

Year 3 Crew: Lily-Lyn for being a brilliant mathematician as she solves bar model problems.

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Year 4 Crew: Rubi for working hard to develop her calculation work and presentation.

Year 5 Crew: Willow for showing a huge improvement in her writing. (in pace, structure and punctuation)

Year 6 Crew: Bella for really grappling with our work on factors and remaining focused throughout.

PEOPLE WE HAVE NOTICED

Friday 6th November 2020

Nursery Crew: Alan for sharing so beautifully in the provision with his friends Week.

Reception Crew: Arlo for great team work while helping his friend by holding onto the spinner to keep it still while he made his firework painting.

Year 1 Crew: Carter you have showed confidence when sharing ideas in front of your Crew. We have been so impressed by many of your answers and ideas this week.

Year 2 Crew: Mia for showing a super work ethic this week. Mia always wants to learn and this Inspires her Crew to do the same.

Year 3 Crew: Bella for being a supportive Crew member by showing kindness when helping others on her table.

Year 4 Crew: Lewis for making an excellent effort with his home learning and then continuing it when he returned to school. You are showing a great work ethic Lewis!

Year 5 Crew: Ava for always trying her best even when she finds something tricky!

Nathan 6 Crew: Nathan you have showed compassion and care when supporting other Crew members

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Nursery Crew: Winifred for her courage and confidence – this is growing everyday.

Reception Crew: Joseph for being kind, caring, helpful, enthusiastic and proud. He is everything we want a Crew member to be!

Year 1 Crew: Dolly for showing such a positive attitude towards her learning and helping other during table activities.

Year 2 Crew: Thomas for your commitment to reading at home. All your teachers can see a great improvement in your reading as a result.

Year 3 Crew: Francesca and Georgia for showing perseverance and hard work as they have both used Reading Plus brilliantly at home and at school.

Year 4 Crew: Blossom for wonderful manners and beautiful presentation in her maths work.

Year 5 Crew: Ruby for her hard work and for great attendance and punctuality – it has been lovely to see Ruby in school everyday.

Year 6 Crew: Wayne and Zach for always being a hard working partnership, supporting each other, their table and their crew!

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