

Weekly Newsletter



Friday 1st December 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

6CB's Class Assembly: 6CB produced a bright and colourful assembly on the theme of the Ancient Egyptians. They shared lots of interesting facts about them and then focused on Tutankhamun in particular. We learned that he became pharaoh at the age of 9 and then died when he was 18. The children then showed us how he was mummified - in far too much detail!

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Poppy-Lou Rowley, Abdiraman Ibrahim, Hayden Stevens, Alexandra Arvai and Rylan Judge-Peebles who all received Headteacher Awards this week.

Golden Tickets: The children who have been rewarded with Golden Tickets this week and have been selected to sit at the 'Top Table' next week are:

Year Group	Children	Year Group	Children
R	Philip and Mariana	4	Anthony and Abdul
1	George and Markuss	5	Lexi and Filip
2	Ryan and Laynie	6	Eidlis and Alisha
3	Meadow and Arqam		

House Points: This week's winners are: **Herbert**

Godiva		Herbert		Moorcroft		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
12	64	17	75	9	57	12	76

Christmas Fayre: There will be a non-uniform day on Friday 8th December in order to collect items for the Christmas Fayre. We are asking for each year group to make a contribution in exchange for the children wearing chosen clothes from home; there is a separate letter going home today which will give further details. The Christmas Fayre itself will be held on Monday 18th December and it is rumoured that Father Christmas himself will be making an appearance! From next week, there will be raffle tickets available for two separate raffles: children's raffle (tickets will be 50p) and adults' raffle (tickets will be £1.00). We hope that you can support us to organise another successful Moat House Fayre.

Parents' Evening: This week, you will have received a letter to invite you to Parents' Evening, which will be held on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December. Please ensure that you return your slip with your preferred time, so that a convenient appointment can be made for you. If you wish to see our Special Needs Co-ordinator (Mrs Francioso), you can make an appointment to meet with her - please contact the school office to arrange this. We are looking forward to meeting you and informing you about your child's progress so far this term. There will be refreshments organised by our Learning Mentors and TNS (the school catering team) will be offering taster pots to enable parents to try a few of the options that we provide the children with, at lunch time.

Times Table Championship: In order for children to succeed in Mathematics, it is vital for them to have a quick recall of the multiplication facts - it is a life skill that will help them not just in their education but also in their everyday lives. For this reason, in the new year, we will be placing a greater emphasis on enabling children to secure their knowledge of the times table facts. The school will be holding inter-house competitions to raise the profile of this and prizes will be rewarded to children who make accelerated progress in their knowledge of the times tables facts. We are keen to give you lots of notice about this, so that you can support your child at home with learning the times tables facts over the Christmas break.

School Photographs: If you wish to make an order for your child's school photograph, please can you ensure that this is received by the school office by Monday 4th December.

Pause for Thought: "Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there" - Will Rogers. What motivates you to keep trying?

Please make a note of the following dates for your diary:

Monday 20 th November - Sunday 3 rd December	-	Switch Off Fortnight
Monday 4 th December	-	4LF Parents' Evening with Miss Solanki
Tuesday 5 th December	-	Parents' Evening (apart from 4LF)
Wednesday 6 th December	-	Parents' Evening (everyone)
Friday 8 th December	-	Non-Uniform Day
Tuesday 12 th December	-	Year 1 Performance (2 pm)
Wednesday 13 th December	-	Foundation Stage Performance (9:30 am)
Thursday 14 th December	-	Year 1 Performance (9:30 am)
Thursday 14 th December	-	Foundation Stage Performance (2:15 pm)
Friday 15 th December	-	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 18 th December	-	Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 19 th December	-	KS2 concert at St Chad's
Wednesday 20 th December	-	Christmas break
Thursday 21 st December	-	Teacher training day
Monday 8 th January	-	Children return to school
Friday 16 th February	-	Half term
Monday 26 th February	-	Children return to school
Thursday 29 th March	-	Easter Break
Monday 16 th April	-	Children return to school
Monday 14 th - Friday 18 th May	-	Year 6 SATs
Saturday 19 th - Monday 21 st May	-	Hordain Football Tournament
Thursday 24 th May	-	Half term break
Friday 25 th May	-	Teacher training day
Monday 4 th June	-	Children return to school

*Yours sincerely,
Alasdair Black
Headteacher*

Letters that were sent home this week:

24 th November	-	Parents' Evening (Year R - Year 6)
28 th November	-	Christmas Performance (Year 1)
1 st December	-	Christmas Fayre letter (whole school)



Attendance for the week before half term:

Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 96.8%

The class with the best attendance last week was 1LM with 99.2%

Attendance money won:

£1 - RSR, RKG, 1LM, 4HT & 4LF

