



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 16th September 2016

Dear Parents / Carers,

5SG's Class Assembly: 5SG wrote, rehearsed and performed their assembly with the minimum of adult support and did a great job of informing us about the life of Roald Dahl. They gave us lots of interesting facts about him in the centenary week of his birth. They also shared some lovely art work that they'd done about his books.

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Alisha Hunte, Eidlis Kabango, Tyreece Palchat-Ellis, Nuuman-Abdi Shakuwe and Gordon Taylor, who all received Headteacher Awards this week.

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

| Year Group | Children | Year Group | Children |
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| R | Rory and Archie | 4 | Filip and Aaron |
| 1 | Alicja and Ella-Rose | 5 | Jamila and Lilly |
| 2 | Shannon and Lily | 6 | Gilly and Alisha |
| 3 | Keya and Carolina | | |

Roald Dahl Day/Launch of Library: On Tuesday, we celebrated Roald Dahl's 100th birthday by inviting everyone to dress up as a character from one of his books. We were delighted to spot some Big Friendly Giants, Charlie Buckets and Matildas as well as many other familiar characters. The children were introduced to our brand new library and enjoyed listening to an extract from a Roald Dahl book there. They were also given the opportunity to design a birthday card to celebrate the event and prizes were awarded to the best cards. The winning designs were as follows:

| Year | Children | Year | Children |
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| Year R (best costume) | Mason and Migel | Year 4 | Myah and Karina |
| Year 1 | Faith and Jakub P | Year 5 | Phoenix and Alisha |
| Year 2 | Nicola and Nikita | Year 6 | Aleksandra and Olivia |
| Year 3 | Olivia and Taylon | | |

School Council: As it is the start of the new school year, each class has elected two children to represent their class on Moat House's School Council. The aim of the school council is to involve pupils in decision making in and around the school. During meetings, the school council discuss any points raised that have been raised within class council sessions and vote on a course of action.

| Class | School Councillors | Class | School Councillors |
|-------|--------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 1EW | Lily and Alfie | 4HT | Charlotte and Matthew |
| 1LF | Ryan and Lexie-Mai | 4BC | Nevaeh and Jessy |
| 2ET | Peter and Vasni | 5SG | Keegan and Katelyn |
| 2JG | Makai and Chloe | 5CB | Maxine and Ebalo |
| 3ST | Abdul and Olivia | 6JK | Kieran and Nayrat |
| 3ZT | Adrianna and Ryan | 6SH | Muhammed and Sienna |

Year 2 Wow Day: On Wednesday, Year 2 enjoyed their first Wow Day of the year. The children worked on four different activities and were able to compare Coventry to a rainforest. The first activity the children completed was researching animals living in the rainforest and writing a fact file for that animal. The children then tasted fruit from a rainforest and wrote a poem about how the fruits tasted. The children then went on to learn about Coventry and the landmarks in the city. They sketched these landmarks using their artistic skills. The final activity was making a stained glass window using tissue paper. The children and staff had a great day.

Attendance: This year's attendance reward scheme is similar to last year's apart from a few minor changes. Instead of only two classes being able to win money each week, every class will be able to win money if they achieve the figures as follows for attendance for the previous week; so, any class achieving 97% to 99.99% attendance will earn £1.00 and any class achieving 100% will earn £5.00. As well as this, the 100% challenge for individual children will continue this year. This is called the "Are You In" challenge and every child that is in school every day for the half term will be a winner. Last term over 150 children watched a movie in the hall and had a great time.

Parent Governor Vacancy: Are you interested in taking a greater part in school life? Can you make a difference to Moat House? Do you enjoy being part of a team? If the answer is "yes," you may be just who we are looking for! We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor and are keen for someone to join us, on our journey to continue to improve Moat House. If you are interested in being a part of the governing body, please ask at the school office for more information.

Glass Funding: At the end of last term, we applied for some funding that will enable us to purchase some mini greenhouses for each of the phases. We are delighted to inform you that we have been successful in our application and will be receiving funding to get the green houses. We will soon be looking out for any children with "green fingers," to take some responsibility for the greenhouse allocated to their phase.

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

- Tuesday 20th September - Road Safety Day
- Monday 3rd October - Harvest Festival
- Friday 21st October - Half term break
- Monday 31st October - Teacher Training day (*children should not attend school*)
- Tuesday 1st November - Children return to school
- Wednesday 3rd November - School photographs
- Friday 16th December - Christmas holiday
- Tuesday 3rd January - Teacher Training day (*children should not attend school*)
- Wednesday 4th January - Children return to school

*Yours sincerely,
Alasdair Black
Headteacher*

Letters that were sent home this week: 12th September - PE letter, Prom letter (Year 6)



Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 93.7%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 5CB with 100 %

Attendance money won: 5CB - £5, 4BC - £1

