



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 26th February 2016

Dear Parents / Carers,

3DG Assembly: At very short notice (they only found out they were doing it on Wednesday) 3DG produced a great assembly. They shared with us lots of information about what they've learned so far this year and what their favourite activities are at school. Despite only having a couple of days to practise they all spoke very loudly and clearly. Thanks also to Miss Campbell who helped them rehearse.

Headteacher Awards: Congratulations to Tia-Li Wills, Macy Loken, Nikita Sutkute, Chloe Goodried and Lexie Harris, 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
R	Joshua & Faith	4	Kaidyn & Logan
1	Freddie & Ndey	5	Nurya & Olivia
2	Jack & Devan	6	Marcio & Candice
3	Mauro & Justin		

House Points: Last week's winners were: **Godiva**.

Godiva		Moorcroft		Herbert		Mowlam	
Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly	Weekly	Half-termly
35	35	25	25	30	30	29	29

Assembly: On Monday, Kerry Beaumont from Coventry Cathedral came to Moat House to invite Key Stage 2 children to audition for a place in the cathedral's choir. If your child is interested in auditioning, Kerry will be returning to school on Monday 29th February to select children for the choir. Children will need to sing "Happy Birthday" as part of their audition.

Year 4 Ukulele event: The children in 4SG have been lucky enough to be learning the ukulele this year. It is taught by Mrs Clayton from the Performing Arts Centre in Coventry. On Monday afternoon we invited parents to come and listen to what the children have learnt so far. The children performed very well and enjoyed the experience of performing in front of an audience for the first time. Thank you to those who were able to come and listen. We hope to do this again later in the year.

Attendance: On Wednesday, we held a draw for our latest attendance reward. Any child that achieved 100% attendance last term was entered into the draw. Twelve lucky children had their names pulled out of a hat and will be enjoying an afternoon of popcorn and a movie in the next couple of weeks. The children are: 1JG - Peter, 1JS - Skye, 2ET - Avram, 2CB - Richard, 3DG - Yagouba, 3ZT - Amida, 4KG - Aboubakar, 4SG - Ti-Ann, 5HT - William, 5NL - Ayomide, 6JK - Szymon, 6SH - Kia.

Parking Spaces: I would like to thank all of our parents who respect the disabled spaces in our car parks, including those nearest to Castle Wood School. These spaces are essential for many of the Castle Wood parents. Can I please ask that nobody uses any of the disabled spaces unless they have the right to do so and display the appropriate 'Blue Badge' whilst parked there. I've spent some time on the gate and carpark this week and seen just how busy it gets. Can you please think whether you need to drive to school at all as there aren't enough spaces for the amount of cars that come at the moment.

Collection of children: As part of our Safeguarding procedures we need to know in advance if you are unable to collect your child and would like someone else to pick them up. Can you please contact the office if you need this to happen so we can let class teachers from Years 1 - 6 know. The system for EYFS remains the same - they have a list of people who are authorised to collect their children. If children are collected by older siblings (of secondary school age and above) can you please insist that they stay with them all of the way home. We have had a few children recently who were collected and then left a short distance from school to fend for themselves.

St Chad's Events: On Thursday 3rd March at 10 am, St Chad's Church on Hillmorton Road (in partnership with Whitefriars and Moat House Community Trust) are hosting a "Clean for the Queen" community litter pick. There will be free soup and a sandwich and it will finish at 2pm. All support will be very welcome.

Cross Country: We would like to wish our Cross Country runners lots of luck for their race at Bablake playing fields on Saturday 27th February. They will need to have lots of stamina and determination and they will need to be good team players in order to complete the course across the muddy fields this weekend. We are sure they will be fantastic and prove themselves to be excellent representatives for Moat House.

Please make a note of the following dates for your diary - some new dates have been added:

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| Wednesday 2 nd March | - | Parents' Evening |
| Thursday 3 rd March | - | Parents' Evening |
| Monday 7 th March - Friday 11 th March | - | Moat House Times Table Contest |
| Tuesday 8 th March | - | Science Show at school |
| Thursday 10 th March | - | Book author in school |
| Friday 11 th March | - | Book fair arrives in school |
| Friday 11 th March | - | Book character day |
| Saturday 12 th March | - | Year 6 children to Dol-y-Moch |
| Wednesday 16 th March | - | Year 6 children return from Dol-y-Moch |
| Thursday 17 th March | - | Year 3 host Morning of Music |
| Friday 18 th March | - | Book fair leaves school |
| Friday 18 th March | - | Year 3 to Herbert Art Gallery/Transport Museum |
| Thursday 24 th March | - | School visit to St. Chad's church |
| Thursday 24 th March | - | Easter break |
| Monday 11 th April | - | Children return to school |
| Monday 9 th May | - | SATs week for Year 6 |
| Saturday 14 th - Monday 16 th May | - | Hordain football tournament (France) |
| Thursday 26 th May | - | Half term break |
| Friday 27 th May | - | Teacher Training day (<i>children should not attend school</i>) |
| Monday 6 th June | - | Children return to school |
| Weds 29 th June- Friday 1 st July | - | Year 5 Visit to Derbyshire |
| Tuesday 19 th July | - | Summer break |
| Wednesday 20 th July | - | Teacher Training day (<i>children should not attend school</i>) |

*Yours sincerely,
Alasdair Black
Headteacher*

Letters that were sent home this week:

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| W/C: 22 nd February | - | Parents' Evening (YR - Y6) |
| 23 rd February | - | Maths/Literacy Booster (Year 4) |
| 25 th February | - | Netball tournament (Club) |
| 25 th February | - | Letter about walking home (Year 5 and 6) |
| 26 th February | - | Letter about Parents' Evening (5HT) |

Attendance
(for the week before half term):



Our school target for attendance is 97%.

Last week's attendance was 96.1%

The class with the best attendance last week was: 6JK with 100%

Attendance money won: £5.00 - 3ZT, £2.50 - 5NL