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Dear Parents and Children,

We have had a fantastic week with multiple workshops for Roald Dahl week. Workshops have included visits from Wilf Mertten, from the Birmingham Rep Theatre. The children have analysed characterisation within Dahl's Revolting Rhymes and poems through different activities. The quality of the dressing up today has been absolutely amazing! Thank you, parents, for the amount of time and effort you have put into your children's costumes, and to the encouragement you will undoubtedly have given. Many thanks children for climbing on board with this dressing up day. You have all looked amazing.

Balsall Common Horticultural Society
We have also been visited by Doug, from the local horticultural society, earlier this week. He presented certificates and prizes to the children for their entries into their annual competition, which was to draw something associated with the theme weather, which we did in school. The Horticultural Society donated a voucher for £25 to buy seeds for the gardening club, run by Mrs Edwards. Doug has been doing this now for a number of years; the time he gives up to visit us is very warmly received by the children and staff. He is providing an invaluable link between the local community and the school. Thank you Doug, and many thanks to the Horticultural Society too.



Attendance

Classes with 100% attendance	RC, 2M, 3C and 6B
Whole school	98.5%

Last week was once more fantastic for attendance, with four classes at 100% and the whole school percentage at 98.5! This means that the jelly babies have had to come out again today! I am really impressed! Well done everyone!

Head's Classes of the Week

EYFS	RK
KS1	1H
LKS2	4C
UKS2	5K

Winners of the Weekly ATL Cup

KS1	Nathan, 2M
LKS2	Jo, 3D
UKS2	Tom, 5K

KS1 now join the weekly celebration of the child within each phase who earns the most amount of ATL points over the course of each week. Many congratulations to the children above for their splendid attitude towards their learning. At the end of the year, we will total the amount of points earned by all children during the whole year; the two children in each class who have accumulated the most points will accompany me on a school trip as a reward.

Non-School Uniform Days

We are trying to do the best we can to give you plenty of notice regarding dressing up days. To this end, we have already circulated



information about planned dressing up days around topic themes. I hope you have had a chance to take a look at it? You can find it on the school website by following <http://www.balsallcommonprimary.co.uk/Extracurricular>. In addition, we would like to forewarn you regarding the Christmas Fayre and Children in Need. These dates are below.

Friday 21st October - non-school uniform and bring chocolate.

Friday 25th November - non-school uniform and bring a bottle.

Friday 18th November - SCHOOL UNIFORM, wear something associated with Children in Need alongside their uniform, and donate £1.00.

Year 6 and EYFS Information Evenings
Many thanks indeed for your support at these meetings. For information about how you can support your child's reading development, you can see Mrs Clamp articulating the sounds by visiting <http://www.balsallcommonprimary.co.uk/Phonics>.

Balsall Common Fun Run

There is still time to sign up for this charity event. Just go to event by visiting <http://www.lilymaefoundation.org/funrun/eventprogramme/>. See you there!

Future Dates

Next Monday, 26th September, 6.00pm:

Poetry Evening

Tuesday 4th October, 6.00pm: Year 2

Information Evening

Wednesday 5th October, 7.00-8.00pm:

PTA meeting, in school.

Have a great weekend.

GT Burgess

Robin's Stars of the Week

Sienna S, RK

Owen H, RC

Henry C, RW

Billy M, RM

Writers of the Week

Billy M, RM
Jack McK, 1D
Shiven S, 1D
Evie K, 1S

Sophia G, 1R
George W, 1H
Charlie B, 2M
Freddie E, 2K

Jordan J, 2L
George P, 4A
Emily C, 5K
Elizabeth M, 5B

Maths Wizards

Macey C, 1H
Yohan K, 1S
Freddie J, 1D
Tanisha S, 1R

Aimee B, 2M
Ava B, 2L
William V-R, 2K

Ria H, 4A
Rohan C, 5B

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Sophie F, 1H	Maddie-Grace C, 2L	Jonathon K, 3B	Lucas H, 4A	Millie S-P, 5K	Samantha C, 6W
Vivienne T, 1S	Class 2M	Kieran T, 3C	Reuben P, 4C	Hattie M, 5B	Josie C, 6J
Jay F, 1R	Henry J-B, 2K	Nicholas E, 3D	Micky T, 4W		Tommy R, 6J
					Sam R, 6P

DIARY DATES 2016 - 2017

Monday 26 th September	18.00 - Poetry Evening
Thursday 29 th September	Year 5 visit to Kenilworth Castle
Friday 30 th September	14:45 Class Assembly 3C 17:00 - Scout AGM in hall
Monday 3 rd & Tuesday 4 th October	Year 3 - visit from the Dinosaur Man
Tuesday 4 th October	17:30 - Y2 Information Evening
Thursday 6 th October	Year 4 - Egyptian Inspiration Day
Friday 7 th October	14:45 Class Assembly 3B
Wednesday 12 th October	Book Fair Year 5 - Medieval Inspiration Day
Friday 14 th October	14:45 Class Assembly 4W Dads Scalextric
Monday 17 th and Tuesday 18 th October	Parents' Evenings
Friday 21 st October	14:45 Class Assembly 4A
24th-28th October	HALF TERM
Monday 31 st October	Term resumes for pupils and staff
Friday 11 th November	14:45 Class Assembly 4C
Wednesday 16 th November	Year 5 visit to National Space Centre
Friday 18 th November	PTA Chair's Quiz
Saturday 26 th November	Christmas Fayre
Monday 28 th & Tuesday 29 th November	Year 5 visit by Creaturama
Wednesday 30 th November	10:00 & 14:00 Nursery Nativity



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