



Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2014

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on display in the hall.

Dear Parents

**Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week**

Personal Award for the Most Amount of ATL Points	
LKS2	Ralph P, 3C-23
UKS2	Rhania D, 6B-38

Last Week's Head's Winners	
FS	RW
KS1	2K
LKS2	3C
UKS2	6B

Weekly Attendance	
2K	99.4%
4J	99.3%
6K	99.3%
Whole School	97.2

My congratulations to all of the children and classes mentioned above for their successes last week.

**Harvest Assemblies**

First of all, many thanks indeed to you for sending in an item of food. The Helping Hands Project were, once more, absolutely delighted and collected it immediately at the end of the school day on Friday to re-distribute to the needy. Andrew was in for both assemblies and, with his usual skill, shared the reasons for Harvest Celebrations in such a fun way that children's understanding grew through pleasure. Many thanks indeed, Andrew.

**Operation Christmas Child**

We are also running this event again this year. Please contribute a shoe box if you can. The deadline for collection is Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Simply send them into school and we will put them

**Children's Fund Raising**

Would you believe that two groups of children last Friday raised over £200 for cancer research through raffles and cakes? The commitment to helping those who are not as fortunate is incredible. Well done to you all.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Thank you and well done to Rhania in Year 6, who also helped on the cake stall two weeks ago.

**Please Push Scooters and Bikes**

We are delighted that so many children 'scoot' or 'bike' to school. However, once on the school site the children must dismount from these scooters and bikes. There is a significant danger that smaller, unsuspecting, children could be 'mowed down!' Knowing our children as I do, I know that they would be devastated if they thought they had hurt another child. It is our responsibility, therefore, to avoid putting them into that position and the way we do that is to ask them to push their scooters or bikes whilst on the school site. Many thanks indeed in anticipation of your support.

**Dinner Money Price Rise**

The cost of a school meal will increase from January from £1.90 to £2.00. There has not been a price increase since I have been head, so 10p over five and a half years isn't too bad. ParentPay will be amended accordingly.

**Dinosaur Creations**

Year 3 have been busy this week with Anthony James learning about dinosaurs and then designing and building their own! As always, this has been a tremendously popular topic. I have even spotted older children

peeping through their old classroom windows to admire the models, engaging in excited dialogue with each other, clearly reminiscing. How wonderful is that?

**Individual Photographs**

The school photographer will be in on Monday to take the usual *start of new school year* pictures. The children already arrive in school looking very smart, but this is clearly a case for being even smarter.

**Travelling Book Fayre**

This will be in the Atrium next week, Wednesday-Monday between 2.30 and 4.30. You are all welcome to come along. We get a considerable amount of commission to buy additional books, so if you are thinking of presents, this is a good way to benefit your children twice!

**Open Days**

The school's open days for prospective parents are Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 10.00am and 1.30pm, and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 10.00am. Please ring the school office to book in.

**Parents' Evenings**

These are the week after next and the school's online parents' evening booking system will be active imminently for you to book your appointments. We will send out information about how to register and book.

**Bi-Athlon**

26 of our year 5 and 6 boys and girls took part in this event and we are awaiting the result. When we have them, I will make a full report. They were all fantastic!

**Forthcoming Events**

**Parents' Evenings:** Mon and Tues 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

**Non-school Uniform Day BRINGING CHOCOLATE** for the Christmas Fayre is coming up on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

**Half Term:** Build a Guy!

**Xmas Fayre:** Sat 29<sup>th</sup> November.

**School Disco:** Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

**Only 11 Shopping Saturdays until Christmas!**

**Have a great weekend.**

**GTBurgess**

**Nursery - Ted & Toby Bear's Star of the Week Awards**

**Mrs Smith's class:** William & Harry B

**Miss Sargent's class:** Joseph & Grace H

**Robin's Stars of the Week**

Lewis B, RM

Lewys H, RC

Shaan R, RW

**Writers of the Week**

Lauren O, RC

Cherise M, RM

Lewis S, RW

Lewis F, 1K

Alex T, 1M

Mason S, 1H

India L, 2B

Hannah W, 2K

Magnus W, 2D

**Maths Wizards**

Megan H, 1K

Charlie M, 1M

Harry M, 1H

Mason D & Chloe D, 2D

Eleanor M, 2B

Inderjit C, 2B

Dylan H, 2B

**Good Choice Stars of the Week**

Freya C, 1M

Mabel S, 2K

Madeleine P, 3D

Esme C, 4J

Emily K, 5W

Ellesse J, 6W

Emilia W, 1H

Georgia K, 2D

Mathilda S, 3D

Luke S, 4T

Ruth W, 5B

Niamh W, 6B

River B, 1K

Laura B, 2B

Navneet S, 3C

Sean C, 4W

George G, 5P

Talia C, 6K

Ollie B, 3P

**DIARY DATES 2014- 2015**

**AUTUMN TERM**

Tuesday 14 October	18:00	Year 2 Information Evening for Parents
Friday 17 October	2:45	Class Assembly 6W
15-21 October		Travelling Book Fair in Atrium
Mon 20 & Tues 21 October		Parental Consultations
Friday 24 October		Non-Uniform Day - Bring in Chocolate for Christmas Fayre.
	2:45	Class Assembly 6K
		School finishes for Half Term
Monday 3 November		School starts
Thursday 13 November		Year 6 Skills Show
Friday 14 November		Children in Need Day
Friday 21 November		CONFERENCE DAY no hot dinners
Saturday 29 November	13:00-17:00	CHRISTMAS FAYRE
Wednesday 3 December	09:30	Nursery Nativity
	14:15	Nursery Nativity
Friday 5 December	18:00	KS1 Disco
	19:30	KS2 Disco
Tuesday 9 December	14:15	Reception Nativity
Wednesday 10 December	09:30	Reception Nativity
	14:15	KS1 Christmas Performance
	18:00	KS1 Christmas Performance
Thursday 11 December	14:15	KS1 Christmas Performance
	18:00	KS1 Christmas Performance
Friday 12 December		Christmas Lunch
Sunday 14 December	15:00	Choir at Methodist Church (TBC)
Monday 15 December	14:30 & 18:00	LKS2 Christmas Carol Concert
Tuesday 16 December	14:30 & 18:00	UKS2 Christmas Carol Concert
Wednesday 17 December	09:00	KS1/KS2 to Leamington Theatre
		Party Day for Nursery and Reception
Friday 19 December		School Ends for Christmas Holiday!