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Dear Parents

**Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week of Half Term**

Personal Award for the Most Amount of ATL Points	
LKS2	Bailey W, 30, 4W
UKS2	Ester W, 36, 6K

Last Week's Head's Winners	
FS	RC
KS1	2B
LKS2	4J
UKS2	6K

Last Week's Attendance	
3D	99%
4W+5P	98.7%
4J	99.3%
All Classes	96.3%

My congratulations to all of the children and classes mentioned above for their successes last week. I continue to be delighted with the children's attitudes and continue to aspire to whole school 98% attendance.

**Class 3C's Assembly**

Last week, 3C shared their learning about Food by treating us to a 'glorious' class assembly. They clearly and confidently reminded us how lucky we are to be able to enjoy so many wonderful foods from around the world - we were joined by two very special visitors, Mary Berry and Paul Hollywood! Well done, 3C for your excellent 'Food Glorious Food' class assembly.

**Chess**

Being part of the Rural Solihull Schools' Partnership, we have successfully acted as host for the first chess tournament last Friday. A total of 16 players from Bentley Heath, Knowle and George Fentham played where excitement was as high as their level of concentration. The overall BCPS score of 20 points saw

William M, Cameron S, Zach D and Hayden P win with a clear margin. Well done fabulous chess players!

**Netball**

In recent weeks our Year 6 girls have played two away matches, making a good start to a series of league games. Their first match saw the girls winning 18-1 against Dorridge and last Thursday they played a fast-paced match at Our Lady of the Wayside and won 5-4! It was a challenging match but the girls played really well! The netballers have been improving week after week and are extremely pleased with this win, as is Miss Maycock the lead coach!

**Maths Competition**

Mrs Walkerdine entered her top Year 6 maths set into the Primary Maths Challenge, a national competition aimed at high achieving pupils. The pupils worked hard on their problem solving skills and making links between different areas of maths before completing the actual paper. Some of their practises in class were extremely good! In the actual paper, two pupils, Helena W and Rosie S both scored an amazing 21 out of 25 and may well be invited to take part in the second round in February. Very well done to all of the pupils and many thanks to Mrs Walkerdine for entering them and teaching them so well.

**KS2 Choir**

Mrs Brown and I accompanied our KS2 choir to Oak Trees and Michael Blanning Day Care homes earlier this week to perform a few Christmas songs. They were incredibly well received. Thank you, children and Mrs Brown!

**Christmas Sweaters**

Parents in the same road bought jumpers for their children to wear during last week's Bottle Day *that all matched*. Amazing!

**Christmas Fayre**

Figures in for this event show a preliminary figure of £9700 from Saturday! Again, this is a fabulous achievement and is as a result of your continued support of the PTA. Thanks must go to *Pathways, Atkinson Stilgoe and Unity Cars* for their generous sponsorship of the event. Special thanks also to *Paula Connell*, our PTA treasurer and event co-ordinator, who did an amazing job. Well done Paula.

**School Nursery Productions**



The Nursery performances have been fabulous and it has been an absolute pleasure to welcome you all in to see them! The pleasure given simply by seeing the children on stage is enough to bring tears to your eyes.....everytime!

**School Disco...**

...is TONIGHT! Get those dancing shoes ready for your children!!! 6:00pm for Reception & KS1 and 7:30pm for KS2.

**Forthcoming Events**

16 nativity shows and concerts between now and Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>! I look forward to seeing you all over this period.

**Only 3 Shopping Saturdays until Christmas!**

**Have a great weekend.**

**GT Burgess**

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

*The bears are staying in Nursery this week, to help prepare for Christmas!*

Ava B, RW  
Henry J-B, RM  
Lilliana G, RC

Writers of the Week  
Jensen W & Finlay J, RM  
James O, 1K  
Laura B, 2B  
Sophia M & Louisa G, 1M  
Hannah W & Sian J, 2K  
Rajan, D 2D

Maths Wizards  
Isaac S, 1K  
Caitlin K, 2K  
Edward L, 2B  
Joshua S, 2K

Good Choice Stars of the Week  
Dylan S, 1M      Ciara H, 2B      Alfie J, 3D      Guy C, 4T      Lucie G, 5B      Ollie M, 6W  
Charlie P, 1K      Oliver, M 2D      Milli R, 3C      Charlie S, 4J      Emily I, 5P      Layla J, 6B  
-      Micky T, 2K      Bethany H, 3P      Lucy V, 4W      Saheba C, 5W      Daniel W, 6K

**DIARY DATES 2014- 2015**

<b>Monday 8 December</b>	<b>14:15</b>	<b>Reception Nativity</b>
<b>Tuesday 9 December</b>	<b>09:30</b>	Reception Nativity
	<b>18:00</b>	<b>KS1 Christmas Performance</b>
Wednesday 10 December	14:00	KS1 Christmas Performance
Thursday 11 December		Nursery & Reception to Warwick Arts Centre - 'The Gruffalo'.
	<b>14:00</b>	KS1 Christmas Performance
	<b>18:00</b>	KS1 Christmas Performance
Friday 12 December		School's Christmas Lunch
Sunday 14 December	13:00	Choir at Methodist Church
Monday 15 December	<b>14:00</b> & 18:00	LKS2 Christmas Carol Concert
Tuesday 16 December	<b>14:00</b> & 18:00	UKS2 Christmas Carol Concert
Wednesday 17 December		Years 1 - 6 to Leamington Spa Theatre - 'Cinderella'. Party Day for Nursery and Reception
Thursday 18 December		Party Day for Years 1 - 6
Friday 19 December		School Ends for Christmas Holiday!
Monday 5 January		School starts
Friday 9 January		Dad's Scalextric Night (rearranged from October)
Tuesday 13 January		Choir to Young Voices
Wednesday 14 January		Year 2      Visit to St John's Museum, Warwick
Friday 23 January	19:30	Headteacher's Quiz
Tuesday 27 January		Year 3      Timezone Visit
Thursday 5 February	17:30	Dunfield meeting for Year 4 parents
Monday 9 & Tuesday 10 February	16:00 - 19:00	Parent Consultations
Friday 13 February		Break up for Half-term
Monday 23 February		INSET DAY
Tuesday 24 February		Children return to school
Monday 9 - Friday 15 March		Scholastic Book Fair in Atrium
Tuesday 10 March		M and M Productions of Oliver with Workshops
Friday 13 March		School Disco
Tuesday 17 March		Year 3      Chedworth Roman Villa
Tuesday 24 & Wednesday 25 March	18:00	Year 4 production
Friday 27 March	FS/KS1	Easter Bonnet Parade      School Breaks up for Easter