



### Newsletter Number 07

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#### Dear Parents

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

Well done indeed to the classes below for achieving high for attendance last week, and, again, to the whole school for an amazing 97.1%.

Last Week's ATL Winners		Weekly Attendance	
FS	RC+RK	4W	100%
KS1	2B	4J	99.4%
LKS2	3P	6B	100%
UKS2	5T	Whole School	97.1%

##### ATL Points Cup Winners

Congratulations to Clark S and Scarlett N in 3P and to Sam C in 5B for earning the most ATL points individually last week in their Key Stages.

##### Poetry Recital



The UKS2 Poetry Recital last week was a fantastic opportunity for the children to showcase their individual writing talent. The children performed their own poems confidently and were excited to share their own creativity to an audience. They were brilliant! Well done to all of the children and many thanks indeed to Miss Bains for organising this event, the first one of its kind in our school!

##### Solihull Biathlon

A number of our girls and boys took part in the South Solihull Biathlon competition last Tuesday evening. Our girls finished 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, just missing out to Saint Martins. Abigail C was outstanding and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> overall as the fastest swimmer. Meanwhile, our

boys finished first for the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year. Ben B was 2<sup>nd</sup> overall with Owen P and Tom B finishing 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Jamie M was the fastest swimmer. Very well done indeed to all of our competitors. The boys will now go on to represent South Solihull at the County Games later this year.

##### Full Contact Rugby



Our Year 5 and Year 6 teams have played six games since a week ago Wednesday, and lost only one game, to Solihull Boys School. It is still possible to find games against schools in the private sector so we have been playing Bablake, Warwick Boys School, Stonegate and Crackley Hall. We have a number of fixtures set, including our very first home game next Wednesday 21 October. Please pop down and cheer us on if you can. The picture above is of some of our Year 6 players with a World Cup Japan player!

##### Application for Secondary School

The closing date for Secondary applications is 31 October 2015. Solihull residents need to apply online at [www.solihull.gov.uk/enrol](http://www.solihull.gov.uk/enrol). All other applicants must apply through the local authority that they live within. Any applications received after 31 October will be considered as a late. More information can be found on their website at:

[www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions).

##### Non-School Uniform Dates

We are nearing the time of the annual Christmas Fayre, Saturday 28 November! As such, we will be running non-school uniform days for bottles and chocolates. We will also

be running a non-school uniform day for Children in Need. **All of the dates are below and are non-school uniform.** We do hope that you will be able to support us, as you have always done in previous years. The dates are:

Friday 6 Nov - Chocolates

Friday 13 Nov - Children in Need (wear something spotty and make a donation)

Friday 27 Nov - Bottles

##### Charity Stall - 3C



3C worked incredibly hard last week and held the first charity stall of the year. They raised an incredible £266 for Zoe's Place, a hospice for babies and children in Coventry. Many congratulations to them. This is the largest amount of money raised by a charity group since the charity stalls began!

##### Dragons Holiday Club

Please visit

[www.libacura.co.uk/register/bcps](http://www.libacura.co.uk/register/bcps) to book a place.

##### Nature Club

Last Friday, Jo Williams, from Solihull Council, visited the school to work with our Nature Club. Over 80 children were seen walking around the school grounds with litter grabbers, Hi-Vis jackets and black bin bags in an effort to clean up our environment. We had great fun, as well as carrying out an important activity. Oliver W from 4C complimented KS1 children for keeping their playground really clean. Well done Nature Club members and their club leader Mrs Clark!

**10 Shopping Saturdays until Christmas!**

**Have a great weekend.**

**GT Burgess**



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**Nursery Zig and Zog's Stars of the Week**

Miss Sargent's class - Rose & Cameron

Mrs Basener & Mrs Parkin's class - Nancy & Florence

**Robin's Stars of the Week**

Evie K, RK

Harlie S, RM

Freddie P, RC

Bethan K, RW

**Writers of the Week**

Sam M-L, RC

Chloe W, RM

Tom S, RK

Gabriel O, 1D

Jordon J, 1R

Lily H, 1H

Daisy-May A, 2K

Megan C, 2B

**Maths Wizards**

Ben B, 1D

Hema T, 1R

Harrison N, 1H

Megan H, 2K

Johdh J, 2M

Alfie Mc, 2B

**Good Choice Stars of the Week**

Chloe May Mc, 1R

Jonathon K, 2K

Hannah M, 3D

Lucas W. 4C

Louis G, 5P

Noah F, 6W

Phoebe M, 1D

Alfie H, 2B

Henry D 3C

Ashton W, 4J

Vladimir P, 5T

Fred D, 6B

Lewys H, 1H

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Chloe D, 3P

Jack M, 4W

Luke S, 5B

Ryan B, 6K

**Helen Lewis Friendship Cup**

Megan C, 2B

**DIARY DATES**

Monday 19 & Tuesday 20 October	Parents' Evenings
Wednesday 21 October	Year 6 Inspiration Day (dressing up)- Victorians
Friday 23 October	<b>INSET DAY AND BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM</b>
Monday 2 November	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b>
Friday 6 November	Non-school Uniform - Bring Chocolates to School for Christmas Fayre 2:45 Class Assembly 6B
Tuesday 10 November	Year 3 to Tesco (one class)
Friday 13 November	2:45 Class Assembly 6K Non-school Uniform - Children in Need Day and make a donation
Tuesday 17 November	Year 3 to Tesco (one class)
Wednesday 18 November	Year 5 to the National Space Centre
Friday 20 November	2:45 Class Assembly 6W PTA Chair's Quiz Night
Tuesday 24 November	Year 3 to Tesco (one class)
Friday 27 November	Non-school Uniform - Bring a Bottle to School for Christmas Fayre
Saturday 28 November	Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 2 December	10.00am and 2.00pm Nursery Nativity
Friday 4 December	Disco

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