

4th November 2022 - No. 431

# A message from our Executive Head, Mr Witts

Welcome Back!

Once again, we return to school with a fun-filled, action packed term ahead!

It is always lovely to see the children excited to return at the beginning of term, and I would like to commend the children on their smart appearance, courteous manners and enthusiasm for learning. We are all looking forward to an exciting term leading up to Christmas.

This weekend we celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> November, and I hope that everyone has a very enjoyable time and stays safe! Please be careful when handling sparklers and dispose of them safely. We also look forward to Remembrance Day (11 November) in the next week. We will be celebrating this event in school with the children. I know that many of the children belong to the uniformed brigade and wish them well whilst wearing their colours on this very special day.

Onto more practical matters, I want to remind visitors (parents/carers) to site, to abide by the school expectations and guidance. We have had a few near misses recently, where children have narrowly avoided being hurt by cars around the school site. We have also seen an increase in the damage caused to staff cars parked in the car park. Please be very mindful of how you drive and where you park. We have to keep the site safe for all, our children, our visitors and our staff.

A reminder about children's attendance and lateness at school, with all children being expected to have 100% attendance. No holiday will be authorised, except in the most special of circumstances. Even illness and medical appointments have a large impact on children's learning. I would like to thank all those families who are supporting us.

School Attendance Actual to date = 96.17%School Lateness Actual this week = 16 School Attendance Expectation = 100%

We are looking for donations of any spare socks up to the age of 6. If you have any you are happy to donate, please bring them to the school office.

Poppies will be available on the gate in the mornings and afternoons for a donation. We also have boxes of merchandise which children can purchase. Year 6 will take them to classrooms from Monday for any children who wish to purchase any items, suggested donation starts from 50p.

#### **Dates for the Diary**

16.11.22 - Parents Evening 17.11.22 - Parents Evening 18.11.22 - CIN Day - Non-school uniform 24.11.22 - 5F Class Assembly 25.11.22 - PFA Donate a teddy day 02.12.22 - Non-School Uniform Day 03.12.22 - PFA Christmas Fayre 07.12.22 - YR Nativity Play to parents 08.12.22 - YR Nativity Play to parents 09.12.22 - Christmas Jumper Day 09.12.22 - Christmas School Dinner Day

- 09.12.22 PFA School Christmas Disco 16.12.22 - Non-school Uniform Day
- 16.12.22 Last day of term, 13.30 finish

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### Learning Award

1A Tegh R, 1M Albie L, 2H Anola B, 2S Ella L, 3G Charlie C, 3T Charlotte H, 4K Jack S, 4M Diuto U, 5F Evie D-P-W, 5R Amelia-Poppy L, 6C Edwin C, 6N Jack P

### Value Award

1A Florence F, 1M Luna D, 2H Layla T, 2S Samuel X, 3G Primrose A, 3T Niamh M, 4K Harry W, 4M Henry N, 5F Madison B, 5R Hope B, 6C Maisie W, 6N Menahem Z

# ccelerated **Reader**<sup>®</sup> **CLASS READING AWARD**

5F

**Best Overall Class** 

Well done!!

## **House Points**

Beckett	1098
Dickens	1120
Churchill	1076
Harvey	912
Holmes	1018
Shakespeare	1053

**CONGRATULATIONS TO** DICKENS This week's winners

### School News

# Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA)

Following from our success of the Wellbeing Award last year, we are re entering for the LPPA award which was successfully achieved as a whole school prior to the pandemic.

This whole-school Award helps us, as a school, to work in partnership with all parents and carers. Parental participation in school life has a large and positive impact on pupils' learning and can also improve punctuality, attendance, and behaviour. Undertaking the LPPA will ensure that outstanding parental engagement sits at the heart of our school life now and in the future, as well as allowing you to demonstrate your outstanding provision to key stakeholders.

Thank you for your quick response to the questionnaire issued to parents earlier this week. The comments will be reviewed and help to create our action plan, which we will of course share with you when agreed.

In October we celebrated Black History month. The children have enjoyed learning about a number of important people in our history who have fought for and made significant changes for the black community. This has included (but not limited to!) Martin Luther King, Mohammad Ali, Rosa Parks and Barack Obama; all people whose strong faith have helped them to fight for equality and fairness. The children have been so engaged and interested in the stories and challenges of these people and we are so very proud of the deep thinking that it has inspired both at school and at home. We have received some lovely feedback from one of our families; "I am not sure a day has gone past where our child hasn't come home talking about Martin Luther-King. She has talked to us about their story and we have clearly seen her reflect and understand the significance this has had." Please see below some of the amazing artwork that some of the children have produced.



## Things to Remember

Year 1 - PE block week will be on 07.11.22 -11.11.22. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit every day.

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#### **School Prayer** Dear God,

Thank you for your constant guidance and support throughout our lives. Please help us to overcome any challenges that we may face and to help others with their challenges when we can. Amen

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