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“Educating for Life In All Its Fullness”

11th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This afternoon I would like to say a very well done to the following children for making the extra effort to impress this week.

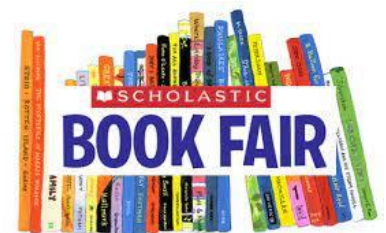
<u>Class 1</u>
Excellent Early Learners Jaden G Leo H
<u>Class 2</u>
Wonderful Work: Thomas M Brilliant Behaviour: Paloma Y
<u>Class 3</u>
Wonderful Work: Emily C Brilliant Behaviour: Ollie C
<u>Class 4</u>
Wonderful Work: Sam B Brilliant Behaviour: Elliot F

Parent’s Evenings

You should have received information regarding booking times for Parent’s Evenings this week. If you have not, please contact the office for an invite email.

Book Fair

Monday sees the start of our Book Fair. The fair will run Monday to Thursday night after school starting at 3.15pm until 3.45pm. Please come along and have a look. There will be some fantastic books on offer. Remember, the World Book Day vouchers can also be used at the fair to get £1 off the price of any book you choose.



Thank you to all the children who entered the Book Fair competition. We had some fabulous entries from every class. The winning entries were chosen by a group of the children and the lucky winners were:

- Class 1 – Rory B
- Class 2 – Henley H
- Class 3 – Bella S
- Class 4 – Joe B



Wellbeing and Positive Mental Health

This week was Children's Mental Health Week with each class taking part in a range of activities around building relationships and developing resilience. It was also Safer Internet Day on Tuesday and during the week, the children have been refreshing their skills at staying safe in the online environment, again looking at ways we communicate online.

For more information about what each class has done please have a look at the classes Weekly Updates and the school Twitter feed.

The links below will give you more information.

Safer internet Day - <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022>

Children's Mental Health Week - <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

MindMate Ambassadors

As part of our Child Mental Health Week, we have launched the role of MindMate Ambassadors for our school. These children will play an important role in organizing events to support mental wellbeing throughout school. They will of course receive training and full support for the role.



It is important that it is understood that they are not there to replace the role of adults in school, who the children already know they can approach with any worries or concerns they may have. However, the Ambassador role is another important element, which will ensure that everyone is listened to and we are doing as much as we can to improve the emotional and mental health of our school. Our aim is to make our school a healthier, safer and happier place for everyone.

The Year 5 children have been chosen as the best candidates, as they will be taking on the role of being the oldest children from September, when the Year Six children leave. They will be able to continue supporting into the next academic year and pass on the role to the new Year Fives.

The children involved have already discussed this in class and, those who are interested in applying for the role, have had the opportunity to do so. Next week the Ambassadors will be chosen and announced in Collective Worship.

Football Result

Class 4 girls played in a football match against Deighton Gates yesterday. Unfortunately, they lost, but they played well, worked together as a team and really showed determination. Well done. We are really proud of you.

A message from the PTA

Next Half term the PTA are organising a Mother's Day Shopping & Wrapping Experience for the Children. This will involve all children having the opportunity to come along during the school day and chose a gift they would like to buy for their mothers, grandmothers or anyone else they would like to give to on Mother's Day.

The gifts will be wrapped and the children will write their own labels. The children have previously really enjoyed this event so we are keen to do it again. It will be £5 for a gift and if necessary donations will be 'bundled' to create a substantial gift.

In order for it to be a success we need donations! If you have any new unused and unwanted gifts, toiletries (bubble bath, bath bombs, unopened nail polish etc) nice trinkets, ornaments, scarves, candles, boxes of chocolates (you get the idea) then it would be very much appreciated.

Please just make sure the donation is new, unused and in perfect condition to be re-gifted. Any donations of wrapping items, nice paper, ribbons and gift bags would also be welcome.

Remember - one person's unwanted gift is another person's treasure!

If donations could be brought into school and handed to class teachers with a deadline of Thursday 17th March that would be great.

Thank you on behalf of the PTA in anticipation of your support for this event.



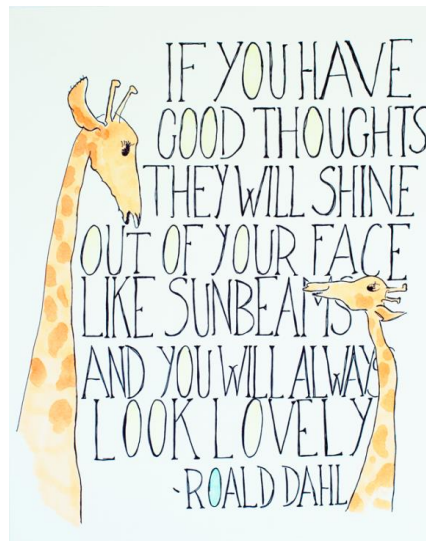
Music In Worship – Help Me Find It - Sidewalk Prophets

This week's song is called 'Help Me Find It' by Sidewalk Prophets. They are a contemporary Christian music band from Nashville in America.

Christians believe that God has a plan for their lives. 'Help Me Find It' is a great celebratory anthem about what it means to have hope in God, and that if you know God, you'll never be alone. The lyrics are prayer-like. They make us think about the options we have in our lives.

Here is the YouTube link for the song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CsjZ94K7UQs>

'Wellbeing Statement of the Month'



Events and Dates for this half term – More details of each will be in future newsletters or by separate communications.

Date	Event
WB 14 th February	Scholastic Book Fair in school
Thursday 17 th February	PTA Bun Sale
Friday 18 th February	Last day of the half term
Monday 28 th February	Training Day
Tuesday 1 st March	Parents Evening 1
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day
Friday 4 th March	D:Side Workshops (Drug Awareness)
Wednesday 9 th March	Parents Evening 2
Thursday 10 th March	PTA Bun Sale
Friday 11 th March	Class 1 and 2 Movie Night
Friday 18 th March	Bag2School collection for PTA
Friday 25 th March	Wear a Hat Day (Brain Tumor Awareness)
Friday 25 th March	Class 3 and 4 Movie Night
Thursday 31 st March	PTA Bun Sale
Friday 1 st April	Last Day of School before Easter
Friday 1 st April	PTA Easter Activity Day



Finally, can I please thank the families who offered information or help with repairing our storm damaged fence after my message last week. We had some very generous offers of help and it is really appreciated how families support the school this way. Thank you.

Have a good weekend.

Mr A. Ratcliffe

