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# Educating For 'Life In All Its Fullness'

13<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Families,

This week in our usual celebration assembly, we said well done to the following children, for making the extra effort to impress with their work, or their behaviour and attitude.

<b><u>Class 1</u></b>
<b><u>Excellent Early Learners</u></b> All of Class 1
<b><u>Class 2</u></b>
Wonderful Work: Emmie B Brilliant Behaviour: Charlotte B
<b><u>Class 3</u></b>
Wonderful Work: Jovan C Brilliant Behaviour: Thea P
<b><u>Class 4</u></b>
Wonderful Work: Jaya J Brilliant Behaviour: Sachin C

Thank you to everyone who attended the informal open evenings this week. I hope you managed to speak to the class teachers and have a tour of the classroom. Class 1 parents will have a similar opportunity at the phonics meetings which Mrs Watts is holding towards the end of September.

As a quick reminder, I am sending out the newsletter this week, but families will not be getting a Class Update from teachers. We are now alternating these so next week you be receiving a Class Update but no newsletter from myself. I am sure we will all get used to the change.

## New Staff Members

This week we appointed 2 new staff members to join our team of dedicated support staff. Miss Quarcoo and Ms Adjei will be joining the team supporting children in Class 2. It is great that they are joining our school community and I am sure you will all make them welcome.

## Our new Pupil Representatives

Last week in our Friday Celebration Assembly we welcomed our new Church School Ambassadors. This week in assembly we also welcomed our new School Council and Eco-Committee representatives. It is great that so many of our children are keen to put themselves forward for these roles and give their time to help improve our school. I would also like to thank the staff members who help these groups run.

## Lost Property

Despite going through everything looking for names, our lost property box is currently overflowing. If you think your child has lost an item, please either come and have a look yourself or



encourage your child to do so. At the end of next week, items in lost property which are in good condition will be passed to the PTA for their pre-loved shop.

The best way of getting lost jumpers etc. back is to clearly name them and keep checking the name is not washing out. This saves us all so much time.

### Asda Cashpot for schools (<https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>)

Please remember to have a look at the Asda Cashpot information if you shop at Asda. This is a good way of the PTA/School getting money for free.

Full details can be found at the web link above .



### PTA AGM

The PTA would like to invite you to the AGM on Friday the 27th of September at 9am. We are planning to meet at Muddy Boots café and hope some of you can join us. As all parents are automatic members of the PTA, this is our chance to talk about what has been done last year, funds raised and plans for the year ahead. Don't worry if you can't make it, we will circulate the minutes and the Chair's Report to inform everyone of what was discussed. Having said that we would like to see as many families represented as possible. Please let us know if you can come and many thanks in advance!

### Parent Parking

Please can I remind parents that you are **not allowed to park in the bus stop opposite school**. The bus company were in touch with me this morning and asked that I remind families of this. I am told there is a potential penalty charge for blocking a bus stop and in the past a lack of access for the bus has caused difficulties for passengers with mobility issues.

I know parking is not easy in Harewood (It isn't round many other schools either), but please consider where you park to avoid issues with other users. Thank you.

### Wellbeing Quote for the Month



This month as we start our new school year, the wellbeing quote links in with the themes for our Collective Worship this term. We are thinking about 'Generosity', what it means to be generous and what effects being generous might have on those about us.

### Collective Worship Music - Gifts from God – Chris Tomlin

This week's song is called 'Gifts from God' sung by Chris Tomlin. 'Gifts from God' is an uplifting song that reminds us that the real gifts in life are not bought with money. Christians believe that God made everyone in the world and as such, we are all a gift from God. We have all been given different gifts such as being a really good friend, being kind to people and knowing when people around you need support, being good at sports or crafts, being good at an academic subject or a host of many other gifts. The world needs everyone and all their gifts to make this world a kinder and happier place to be.

So, the real gifts in life are the people around you and the experiences you share with them. Sometimes, you don't realise how special someone is or how special an experience is, at the time. It is



only when you look back you realise how much it might have changed your attitude in life or your path, or that of others around you.

This week we are thinking about generosity, so think about all those occasions when you can share your special gifts to have a positive impact not just on your life but on the lives of the people around you.

Here is the YouTube link for the song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cfLGfuINnG4>

### Dates for this Half Term

Date	Event
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Flu Immunisations
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 1 Audiology Screening
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Class 1 Phonics Meeting – 6pm (Option 1)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	PTA AGM – 9am at Muddy Boots (All welcome)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Class 1 Phonics Meeting – 3.20pm (Option 2)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Individual Pupil Photographs
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Class 4 Trip to Leeds City Museum
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Class 1 Harewood Estate Environmental Trip
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Class 4 Harewood Estate Environmental Trip
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Class 3 Harewood Estate Environmental Trip
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Class 2 Harewood Estate Environmental Trip
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	PTA Pumpkin Party Final day for pupils
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Training Day
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Children return today after the half term break

Have a good weekend.

Mr Ratcliffe

