

# Educating For 'Life In All Its Fullness'

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Dear Families,

Last Friday in our certificate assembly, we said well done to the following children, for making the extra effort to impress with their work, or their behaviour and attitude. Well done to all of you.

<u>Class 1</u>		
Excellent Early Learners		
Lawrence and Reejh		
<u>Class 2</u>		
Wonderful Work: Alex		
and Brilliant Behaviour: Reggie		
<u>Class 3</u>		
Wonderful Work: Jaden		
Brilliant Behaviour: Shaniya		
Class 4		
Wonderful Work: Eli		
Brilliant Behaviour: Louis		

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week. During the week our classes have taken part in a number of activities in their PSHE lessons and today we were joined in school by the NHS MindMate Support Team. We started today with a whole school assembly to introduce the theme for the day which was 'Managing Emotions'. Following this, the team supported by our MindMate Ambassadors, worked with each class in turn on activities aimed at their agegroup. The children enjoyed the workshops and I am sure have taken a lot from the input during the week.



### **Book Fair**

Next week we will be holding a book fair after school on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. This will be in the hall starting at 3.15pm until about 3.45pm. There will be a large range of books available for all ages and interests, so I am sure everyone can find something.

School earns commission on every book sold at the book fair. In the last couple of years we have been able to use this to purchase an enormous number of books to support learning. This has included class sets of texts, dictionarys and books for enjoyment in our reading corners.







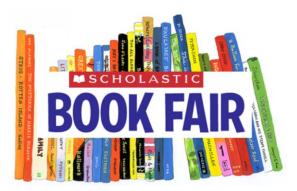












I would like to congratulate the winners and runners-up in our bookmark design competition. We gave out the prizes in assembly this morning. The entries this year were amazing and demonstrated both imagination and skill. A big well done to everyone who entered.

Please note that the sale is cash only. I know this is unusual for school events and in wider society now but it makes things simpler for us and helps avoid issues with the lack of data signal in Harewood.

### **Football**

We took a mixed Year 5 and 6 football team to play a match at Crossely Street Primary school this week. They played very well, especially in the second half. The final score was 4-3 to Crossley Street, which was dissapointing when we played so well. The team were great and worked very well together. Hopefully, we are going to arrange a rematch back at Harewood after half term.



### **Grounds Maintainence**

If you remember on the last newsletter I put out a request to families for any information about a potential replacement for our school grounds maintainence contractor.

We are still looking if anyone can help.





# **Wellbeing Quote for the Month**

This half term to theme for our Collective Worships in school has been 'Courage'. We have thought about what it takes to be courageous, how we can support others and keeping trying when things get tough.

This month's quote sums this up nicely.

## Collective Worship Music for the week - Shine, From the Inside Out - Nick Jackson

This week's song is called 'Shine, From the Inside Out' by Nick Jackson. Nick used to be a Deputy Headteacher at a primary school and is now a Children's leader at a church in Oxford.

'Shine, From the Inside Out' is a wonderful song that's all about letting your light shine brightly, just like a star in the sky! When we sing this song, we're reminded of how special we are and how much courage it takes to show our true selves to the world. Just like how the stars shine brightly in the dark night sky, we can shine brightly with courage, kindness, and love from the inside out. Our light is one of















God's ways of spreading goodness around the world. So, when you sing this song, remember to be brave, because our unique light can sparkle and make the world a brighter place!

Here is the YouTube link for the song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WGarMi70QSs

# **Dates for the Spring Term**

Date	Event	
WB 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Book Fair Week (Monday to Thursday 3.15 – 3.45pm)	
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day	
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 2 – Zoo Lab Visit	
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 4 – Young Voices Concert	
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes today for the half term break	
Half Term Holiday		
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	School opens today	
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Diversity Workshops	
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	D:Side PSHE Workshops	
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	PTA Bun Sale (Class 3)	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 4 Basketball Tournament	
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day (Details to follow)	
WB 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Downs Syndrome Awareness Week	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Bun Sale (Class 2)	
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Parent's Evenings	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	PTA Easter Bingo	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	School finishes for Easter	

Additional dates will be added once confirmed

Have a good weekend. Mr Ratcliffe













