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Home-School Agreement

In order to try and further strengthen the partnerships between home and school, we have decided to introduce a new Home-School Agreement which lays out the expectations for pupils, school staff and parents. These will be sent home on Monday alongside a letter with some more information. Please look out for them and return to school ASAP (children who return them by Friday will be entered into a prize draw). Thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

WSGT

Reminder: the deadline for this year's 'Wharncliffe Side's Got Talent' competition is Monday 22nd January. champion! Children should record themselves performing their talent (a maximum of around 3 minutes) and email it to schoolcouncil@wharncliffeside.sheffield.sch.uk. Good luck!

Panini Competition

Key Stage 2 children have this week been told about a competition in conjunction with Panini. The task is simply to design a new football... The closing date is the 29th February and entry forms have been handed out (alongside sheets to practise on!). The winner will receive a £50 gift voucher and a football shirt of their choice (the school will also receive £2000!). All entries should be returned to me in advance of this date so I have time to send them in! In order to promote this competition, Panini donated a set of sticker albums (Men's and Women's Premier League) which have been handed out to children. We didn't have enough for everyone so I drew names out of a hat; apparently the Co-Op are giving these away to anyone who didn't get one. Anybody who enters the competition will get at least 1 pack of stickers from school

Charity Abseil

For those of you who don't know her, Kerry Hicks is one of our parents. She has this weekend done a 150ft abseil at Magna to raise money for the 'Autistic Children and Carers Together' Charity. This is a charity that supports around 500 autistic children in Sheffield each year and is a very worthwhile cause. At the time of writing, Kerry has raised a fantastic £1075 but there is still time to sponsor her if you would like. Simply click here and enter your donation. Well done Kerry and thank you to all who have already sponsored her.

Ultimate Activity Camp at Stocksbridge Leisure Centre



I know it may feel like we've only just come back but this is a very short half-term! Stocksbridge Leisure Centre are again running their popular Activity Camps during the February half-term holiday. See details (left) or email them at UACbookings@onthemove.org.uk for more information.

Mr Gaughan



Celebrating Achievement

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Well done to the following children:

- ★ Bronze: Lucy (Ash); Lukas, Charlotte (Oak)
- ★ Silver: Hibah, Masie (Ash); Erin, Ruby, Billy (Willow); Charlie M (Sycamore)
- ★ Gold: Macie, Felicity (Ash); Liam, Isla, Polina (Rowan); Hugo, Gretchen (Sycamore); Rocco (Oak)
- Nursery Stars of the Week: Anastasiia & Honey
- Rowan's Swimmer of the Week: Enes
- ★ Healthy Eating Champion: Thomas P
- ★ Attendance winners: With an overall attendance of 97.0%, last week was a good one! The best classes were Sycamore (KS2) with 97.4% and Ash (KS1) who managed a perfect 100%!
- ★ House Point winners: Americas won last week with a fantastic total of 272 points (the highest of the school year so far!)
- ★ Good luck to Theo R who is performing in 'Camelot the Panto' with the Crookes Community Performers Group, raising money for Sheffield Children's Hospital and MNDA.



This week's birthdays: Braxton (10), Elliana (8), Rory (9)

This week's 'School Standard' is:

Have a growth mindset

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings & Saplings are whittling sticks and making leaf caterpillars during their Forest Schools sessions (they are reading 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar').

Ash are learning about Florence Nightingale and the impact she had on hospitals. During Willow's music lesson about rhythm, they had a visit from Phil (one of our reading volunteers) who let the children have a go on his bass guitar. They loved it! KS2 children in The Learning Zone are planning non-chronolgical reports about dinosaurs. Meanwhile, they were very sad to say goodbye to Hibah last week who has now left us! \otimes

Rowan are learning all about Stone Age cave art.

Sycamore will be investigating thermal insulators in their science lesson.

In their RSHE lessons, Oak have been learning all about control and consent in relation to their personal data. This is vitally important in today's digital world.

Meanwhile, we are sending teams to the Y5/6 EFL Cup competitions over the next 2 weeks (separate tournaments for boys and girls). I wonder if we will get to Wembley this time?











