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# Weekly Newsletter: 2nd December 2019

### Christmas Fayre

Thank you to the PTA for organising Saturday's Christmas Fayre. Thanks also to all who donated tombola prizes, helped out on the day or came to spend some money! A fantastic time was had by all and we raised a total of **£1180.69.** This money is always reinvested back into school to support our children.

### Reading Volunteers

Could you spare just an hour or so per week to listen to children read? We are in desperate need of some new reading volunteers – especially for KS2 children. Our children love to read and we would value any support you can provide (at a day / time to suit you). Please ask at the office if you're interested.

### Governor applications

The deadline for new governor applications is **Friday 13th December**. Please email me at headteacher@wharncliffeside.sheffield.sch.uk if you are interested or would like extra information.

### Parents' Forum

You should have received an invite to next Monday's Parent Forum on behaviour (2:15 – 3:15pm). If not and you'd like to attend, please get in touch!

### PTA Film Night

Remember it is the PTA Film Night on Thursday. The deadline for tickets was today.

## Celebrating Achievement

Well done to the following children:

- ☆ Will S, Layla-Mae, Ella P, Freya H, Ryan W, Evie P, Oz, Isabelle E, Isabella A, Erin, Rio, Jaimie, Imogen, Eleanor, Alfie L and Joachim for their amazing attitude, behaviour and team spirit during last Monday's athletics event at Bradfield.
- ☆ Class 4 for their excellent behaviour during their trip to DECSY / Graves Art Gallery last week. Also to Class 5 & The Learning Zone for the same during their trip to The Deep. Our children always do us proud when we are out and about!
- ☆ We had some visitors in school on Tuesday who were very positive about our children's attitudes to reading.
- ☆ Layla & Hollie for passing their dancing exams with flying colours on Saturday night!
- ☆ Isla for getting a GOLD certificate in assembly.
- ☆ Y3/4 swimmer of the week was Oliver.
- ☆ Nursery stars of the week were Louis and Sonny.
- ☆ There was no Lucky Plate winner last week. Correction from last week's newsletter: Benji was the winner for KS1, not Harmonie (apologies for any confusion).

This week's 'School Standard' is: Thinking about other people's feelings

*Enter our 'Twitter Challenge' by tweeting us a picture @Wharncliffe_Sch*

# What's Happening?

Nursery's 'Book of the Week' is Little Red Riding Hood. They will be doing lots of cross-curricular activities linked to this classic story; including making a fruit salad and an investigation into her cape!

Reception children will be having their vision screening with the school nurse this week. They will be in touch if they pick up anything to be concerned about.

Year 1 & Year 2 children (from both classes) are invited to a Family Learning 'Winter Crafts' afternoon on Friday (1:15pm – 3pm). Please ask at the office if you haven't received an invite.

KS1 children in the Learning Zone will be reading their new book: 'Sharing a Shell' by Julia Donaldson.

Class 3 were investigating possibilities in their Maths lessons last week. This involved developing a system to work out how many dominoes are in a pack!

Class 4 have been exploring different techniques for strengthening boxes in their DT lessons.

Class 5 children will be writing all about their trip to The Deep last week.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel last week's School Council meeting. We will rearrange this ASAP. Finally, the letter for ordering KS2 play tickets went out last week. If you have not received this, please ask at the office. FS & KS1 ticket details to be announced soon.

Last week's winning House Team was: **Africa** (for the first time this year!)

# Attendance

As you're no doubt aware, we were badly hit by the Norovirus (Winter Vomiting Bug) sweeping the nation last week. Although we normally aim for 97% attendance; please don't send your child to school if you think they may be affected – it is highly contagious. More information available https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/norovirus . The figures below are, as always, an average for the week. Attendance did pick up on Thursday & Friday so fingers crossed we're over the worst of it!

| Class | Year groups | Teacher/s | % attendance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Rec / Y1 | Mrs. Wellum & Miss. Burgess | 57% |
| 2 | Y1 / Y2 | Mrs. Harrison | 79.3% |
| 3 | Y3 / Y4 | Mr. Borg | 78.8% |
| 4 | Y4 / Y5 | Mrs. Coulson | 78.9% |
| 5 | Y5 / Y6 | Mr. Hartley | 73.7% |
| | | TOTAL: | 76.1% |

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