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## Weekly Newsletter: wb 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020

### Coronavirus

With new cases of Coronavirus being confirmed every day, people are right to be concerned. We are following the latest advice from the DfE / Public Health England and don't expect we will need to take drastic action like closing the school. We have no reason to suspect any of our staff or pupils have been exposed to the virus so there is no immediate risk. However, we advise everyone to follow the usual procedures for avoiding the spread of a virus: regular handwashing, covering mouths when coughing etc. The symptoms are very similar to the flu; if you do believe you may have it, ring 111 (do not go to the GPs) and please let us know. We will let you know if anything changes.

### 40 Acts of Generosity

Hopefully your child brought home their '40 Acts of Generosity' challenge card last week. Instead of giving something up for Lent, the idea is to try and do something nice each day... How many can you tick off?

### TikTok etc.

We have become aware that many of our children are using 'TikTok' to share videos online (even though the age restriction is 12). If you are allowing your child to access this, please take a look at our handy guide on how to keep them safe. This can be downloaded from our website: [www.wharncliffeside.org.uk/online-safety.html](http://www.wharncliffeside.org.uk/online-safety.html) along with other similar guides. We also share these regularly via our Twitter account.

### Hungry Little Minds

If you have children below the age of 5, another great website is <https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk>. It features a variety of simple, fun activities to do with children up to the age of 5; from things you can do for free at home to local places you can take them. It's worth a look!

### Toys & Games

Remember, the School Council are collecting any unwanted toys and games you may have. These will be available to buy after school on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March...



## Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ All the children who were awarded certificates from the Children's University last week. LOADS got bronze awards and Cara, Freya, Ella and Olivia got silver. George B and Thomas E have been invited to a special awards ceremony at Sheffield Hallam University where they will receive their GOLD awards. Well done boys!
- ★ Ava H and Emilia H for their performance in 'Trouble's a Brewin' in front of over 1000 people in London's West End over the weekend.
- ★ Class 4 for being excellent hosts to the Porter Croft children when they came for their visit on Thursday. You set a great example and lots of fun was had by all.
- ★ Class 3 for getting 100% attendance last week! Remember, every day counts... if your child misses just one day per week, that is the equivalent of missing over 2½ years of their education (over a period of 13 years).
- ★ Alfie L, Evelyn P, Joachim, Will J, Leo, Jaylee, Bradley and Max for getting a GOLD certificate in assembly.
- ★ Nursery stars of the week were Joely and Peighton.

This week's 'School Standard' is: Being independent

*Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.*

## What's Happening?

Nursery will be using their knowledge of initial sounds to learn about alliteration. *She sells seashells on the seashore...*

Learning Zone's KS2 are revising and editing their writing using the computers.

Class 1 are reading the story of 'Oliver's Vegetables' this week. They will be doing lots of activities around it; including trying the vegetables and making their own soup on Thursday.

Class 2 have been learning about how to organise information in their non-chronological reports about healthy eating.

Class 3 are learning all about money. You could support them with this by finding totals and calculating change.

Class 4 will be making spaghetti Bolognese in their DT lessons.

Class 5 will be learning about propaganda in WWII. Children in Y6 will be doing their 'Bikeability' cycling proficiency course this week and we are sending a team to the 'Aquafest' swimming competition for Y5/6.

Finally, don't forget it is World Book Day on Thursday. Children are encouraged\* to come dressed as an adjective - how creative can you be? (\*They don't have to if they don't want!)

Europe and Africa shared the House Team trophy last week!

## Attendance

A better week overall - especially well done to Class 3 for getting **100%**

Class	Year groups	Teacher/s	% attendance
1	Rec / Y1	Mrs. Wellum & Miss. Burgess	86%
2	Y1 / Y2	Mrs. Harrison	96.4%
3	Y3 / Y4	Mr. Borg	100%
4	Y4 / Y5	Mrs. Coulson	97.3%
5	Y5 / Y6	Mr. Hartley	96.7%
TOTAL:			96.7%

Green = Above the National Average (+1%)

Yellow = Broadly in line with the National Average (95.9%)

Red = Below the National Average (-1%)



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