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## Weekly Newsletter: 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Welcome back to school after half-term. We hope you all had a great break and are feeling good about coming back. It is starting to get cold now so could we please insist that all children bring a coat (clearly labelled with their name) EVERY DAY!

### Halloween Coffee Afternoon:

As you may have seen on our Facebook page, we raised £249.87 from the recent coffee afternoon. Thank you for your continued support – the PTA will put this money to good use!

### Morning arrangements:

Could we please remind parents not to drop children off at school before 8:15am (unless they are doing a club). KS2 are welcome to come in and use the computers from this time but the yard is not officially supervised until 8:40am. Children arriving after this time should wait on the yard until the bell has gone (rather than going in early) – unless the weather dictates that we send them all in!

### After-school clubs:

We have a number of exciting after-school opportunities on offer this half-term (see separate letter). We would like to remind parents that we use external providers for our sports clubs and the cost of these sessions have been subsidised from our 'sports premium fund' (they are FREE for 'pupil premium' children).

### Spare trousers:

Learning Zone would be pleased to accept any spare school trousers / joggers you no longer need (especially in bigger sizes). Our stock of spares is currently running low!

Mr. Gaughan



## Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ Evie and Alfie for speaking so honestly and eloquently about 'growth mindset' during an assembly on 22<sup>nd</sup> October.
- ★ Class 5 for their excellent Pete McKee style pictures. Hopefully you've seen these on our Facebook page. Pete McKee himself said "They've done a fantastic job!" (Twitter).
- ★ Joe for winning our first 'Football Fair Play Award'. There will be another winner this half-term!

*Correction: Hollie's song was from 'Moana' not 'Mulan'. Sorry Hollie!*

This week's 'School Standard' is: Understanding the beliefs of others



As you will know, this weekend marks the centenary of the end of World War One. We would therefore like to invite you to commemorate this event with us on **Monday 12th November**. We plan to meet on the Infant Yard at **3:05pm**, where we will reveal a temporary art installation, sing a song, hold a minute's silence and say a prayer.



**Poppies will be on sale all week – all proceeds go to the Royal British Legion...**

## What's Happening?

**Nursery** are making rockets as part of their topic on Space.

**Learning Zone** children in the Learning Zone will be making castles this week!

**Reception** are this week learning all about the celebrations of Bonfire Night and Diwali.

**Year 1 and 2** have been to the Crucible TODAY to see a performance of 'Giddy Goat'.

**Class 3** are visiting Bishop's House on Wednesday as part of their topic on the Tudors.

**Class 4** will be starting to make their own backpacks in DT.

**Class 5** are having a big push on reading and starting a 'Reading Bingo!' game...

## Attendance

The last week of half-term wasn't a good one for attendance. Hopefully, we can get back on track this week! Remember: our school target for the year is **97%**.

Class	Year groups	Teacher/s	% attendance
1	Rec / Y1	Mrs. Wellum & Miss. Din	90.4%
2	Y1 / Y2	Mrs. Harrison & Mrs. Walter	97.9%
3	Y3 / Y4	Mrs. Gibson	95%
4	Y4 / Y5	Mrs. Coulson	94.8%
5	Y5 / Y6	Mr. Hartley	91.5%
<b>TOTAL:</b>			<b>93.8%</b>

Green = Above the National Average (+1%)

Yellow = Broadly in line with the National Average (95.3%)

Red = Below the National Average (-1%)

