



NEWSLETTER 5th October 2018

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Thank you!



Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents, carers and members of our amazing school community who attended our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon last Friday helping us to raise £240 for this worthy cause. It was simply amazing! We were thrilled with the cakes and buns you made and the phenomenal support you showed by joining us during the afternoon. Our children loved every single minute of the afternoon and we hope you did too! It is events like this that remind us exactly what makes our community and we cannot wait to build upon this in the near future with more fantastic events., creating memories for our children that will last a lifetime. 😊

Your children are rapidly making progress with their reading and this is already having impact on the work they are completing in class. We are constantly assessing what our children know, and making sure they are in groups to progress their reading knowledge at a rapid pace. We are, as a whole staffing team, having our next training day on Friday 26th October to develop this scheme even further so that our children have the very best education. We will of course be sharing this new scheme with you in November and hope you have already got the information coffee morning in your diary for **Tuesday 13th November**. Miss Brook will be sharing information on the scheme at this time and we also hope to show you some real life learning as it happens across school. Please do join us if you can.



Attendance

SCHOOL TARGET 95%



Best Attendance Award goes to: **KOALAS with 98.15%**. Koalas will sit at the Captain's Table at lunchtime as a special treat.



Attendance this week: 95.82% - Well done! We need to keep this above 95%!



Lates this week: 15

Class Attendance this week: Dolphins 97.93%, Turtles 96.21%, Zebras 94.62%, Starfish 94.84%, Oysters 93.21%

Attendance is improving but we still have not met our target this half term, so far. Please make every effort to bring your child to school, on time, each day! We are so pleased with their progress so far and want them to make the most of the great learning opportunities and fun activities that are taking place in school every day! 😊

Year 1 & 2 Home Time

We acknowledge that collecting your children on a night can be chaotic but would like to assure all parents that we are very strict with our policy of how we release children at the end of the day. Please be aware that we will **not** be allowing children to leave the classroom when we do not have eye contact with the parents/carer collecting that child. Please can we ask for you to put your phones away at this time and make sure you help your child's teacher by making yourself easily visible.

Reception Home Time

When collecting your child please listen for your child's name being called and then come to the bottom of the ramp. We need to see that your child is passed safely to you. If you need to speak to the teacher please wait until all other children have been collected.

Polite Notice

Our outdoor environment in Nursery and Reception classes is an extension of the classroom areas that are set up and developed to enhance learning for our children. Recently, we have been increasingly disappointed to find that many children are being allowed to play in these areas whilst waiting to collect their siblings, meaning that these areas are not suitable for learning. Please can we ask for your support in making sure that all younger children are supervised whilst on our school playground so that our resources and outdoor classrooms are taken care of. Thank you.

PTA

Our PTA met for the second time this week. We have already started to plan the fantastic Halloween Disco that is happening in school on Wednesday 24th October. You should have already seen the information flyer in your child's book bag about this and we really do hope you will support this event. All of the money raised will go into the PTA Bank Account and will be spent directly on the children.

The PTA are currently looking for ideas of where fundraising money should be spent and a letter will be sent early next week to ask for your suggestions.

As ever, we are always keen for more people to join our PTA. Our next PTA meeting with Miss Brook and Mrs Littlewood will be on Monday 8th October at 2pm and we will be focussing on disco organisation.

Monday 8th October Last day for Scholastic Book Fair 3.05pm in the Hall

Tuesday 9th October - School Photographs for all children

Tuesday 23rd October - Harvest Celebration (KS1)

Wednesday 24th October - PTA Halloween Disco

Thursday 25th October - School Closes for children

Friday 26th October - Staff Training on Read, Write, Inc (School Closed to Children)

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Deborah Batty

Headteacher