



Newsletter 2

October 2016

Dear Parents

I can't believe that we are almost at the end of our first half term. Well done to our Reception children who have settled so well in to the school routines ~ we are very proud of them!

DEMOCRACY DAY

The children had a great time voting for their choice of non-uniform on the 21st October. The school council have counted and verified the vote and details are below:

Dress as a character	88 votes
Any non-uniform of choice	60 votes
Wear red clothes	22 votes

There were 171 votes in total and 1 spoilt paper

The children enjoyed coming to school dressed as their favourite character.

THE BIG FRIENDLY READ

It was lovely to hear that so many children took part in the Hertfordshire Library reading challenge this summer. A very special mention needs to go to Rachel in Gold class, who was a winner in the Prize Draw! Rachel has won the opportunity to spend time with the author Marcia Williams. Well done Rachel!

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you to everyone who attended our celebration. The children were amazing performing their songs and enjoyed sharing these with you. Thank you for the kind donations of food which will be delivered to the St Albans and district food bank.

SCHOOL LOCK DOWN

As the nights are now drawing in, we would like to complete the lock down of school earlier. Therefore can you please ensure you have left the school grounds by 3:30pm. Thank you for your assistance.

SUPPORTING PUPILS WITH RELATIONSHIPS IN SCHOOL

A reminder that our workshop lead by Karin Hutchinson, lead advisor for well-being in Hertfordshire, will take place on Tuesday 22 November at 7pm in the school hall. If you have not yet returned your form, please do so by Friday 4th November.

COLLECTION AFTER SCHOOL

If you would like to speak to your child's teacher at the end of the day, please could you wait until the majority of the pupils have left, as speaking to the teacher straight away as the door opens leaves the other children waiting to be dismissed. In addition, please ensure that you stand back from the class door and windows as this can be distracting for the children and they may miss information given by the teacher. Thank you for your co-operation.



CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

The dates have now been confirmed for the performances and are as follows:

Monday 12 December	9:30am 10:45am	EYFS Dress rehearsal KS1 Dress rehearsal
Tuesday 13 December	9:30am 10:45am	EYFS performance KS1 performance 1
Wednesday 14 December	9:30am	KS1 performance 2

Ticket information will be sent out separately at the end of November.

OPEN CLASSROOM

Classrooms will be open from 2:30pm onwards on Thursday 15th December. This is a time to come in to school early and have a look at your child's learning as we head towards the end of term. Classrooms will close at 4pm.

STAFFING

We are very pleased to welcome Miss Charlotte Pugh and Ms Rebecca Mackay to our school teaching team. They will be working in our Year One classes and Early Years Foundation Stage respectively.

GOLDEN BOOK

The children continue to work hard this term and the following children have pride of place in the golden book:

Bru	<i>Gold Class</i>	James	<i>Silver Class</i>	Emily	<i>Silver Class</i>
Ollie	<i>Blue Class</i>	Oscar	<i>Red Class</i>	Akhil	<i>Blue Class</i>
Isabelle	<i>Purple Class</i>	Caitlin	<i>Red Class</i>	Lucca	<i>Purple Class</i>
Ollie	<i>Silver Class</i>	Isha	<i>Silver Class</i>	Olly	<i>Silver Class</i>
Guluzar	<i>Silver Class</i>	Rebecca	<i>Silver Class</i>	Vivienne	<i>Silver Class</i>
Bonita	<i>Silver Class</i>	Jack	<i>Silver Class</i>	Yaseen	<i>Silver Class</i>
Selma	<i>Silver Class</i>	Toby	<i>Red Class</i>	Emilea	<i>Silver Class</i>
Aiden	<i>Blue Class</i>	Ava	<i>Silver Class</i>	Alisha	<i>Silver Class</i>
Arthur	<i>Gold Class</i>	Yasmine	<i>Silver Class</i>	William	<i>Gold Class</i>
Owen	<i>Purple Class</i>	Harvey	<i>Red Class</i>	Sammy-Joe	<i>Green Class</i>

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARD

We monitor attendance each week and award a certificate to the class with the highest attendance.

Well done to:

Week beginning 05 September	Purple Class	96% attendance
Week beginning 12 September	Silver Class	93% attendance
Week beginning 19 September	Red and Purple Class	100% attendance
Week beginning 26 September	Red Class	99% attendance
Week beginning 03 October	Blue Class	100% attendance
Week beginning 10 October	Silver Class	100% attendance



GENERAL REMINDERS

PARENT VIEW

Please register your views on our school, this is done annually and so far we have only had 4 parents sign up! If you have completed in previous years, you still need to log in and register your views for the academic year 16/17.

Register your views on our school at www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

All children in our school are eligible for a free school meal every day as part of the government scheme for 'universal free school meals'; however there may be additional funding available for the school to claim to support pupils through Pupil Premium Grant.

We are therefore asking ALL our families to register on the following website: www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals

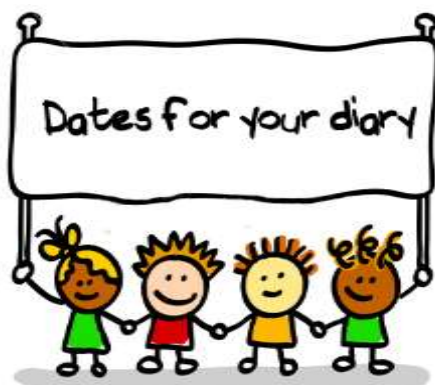
This will only need to be done once in our school and then again when the children move to year 3. If you have any concerns or need help registering please come and see Mrs Wancio in the office.

NUT FREE

We have a 'nut free' policy in school. Please ensure that all packed lunches are 'nut free' as some of our children are allergic to nuts and this includes airborne allergies. If you are unsure, please see the school office for one of our lunch time booklets.

With best wishes for an enjoyable half term holiday

Charlotte Cooper
Headteacher



Date	What's Happening?	Where?	Time?
Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October	HALF TERM		
Monday 21 November	Y1 & 2 flu immunisation		
Tuesday 22 November	Supporting your child with behaviour workshop	Hall	7:00pm
Monday 12 December	EYFS Dress rehearsal	Hall	9:30am
Monday 12 December	KS1 Dress rehearsal	Hall	10:45am
Tuesday 13 December	EYFS Performance	Hall	9:30am
Tuesday 13 December	KS1 Performance 1	Hall	10:45am
Wednesday 14 December	KS1 Performance 2	Hall	9:30am
Thursday 15 December	Open Door Classroom	Classrooms	2:30am
Friday 16 December	Christmas Songs	St Luke's Church	1:30pm
Wednesday 21 December	END OF TERM		
			1:15pm

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Thursday 5 January 2017	OCCASIONAL DAY (School closed to pupils)
Friday 6 January 2017	INSET DAY (School closed to pupils)
Monday 9 January 2017	Back to school
Monday 13 February – Friday 17 February 2017	HALF TERM
Monday 20 February 2017	Back to school
Friday 31 March 2017	END OF TERM ~ 1:15pm
Tuesday 18 April 2017	INSET DAY (School closed to pupils)
Wednesday 19 April 2017	Back to school
Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June 2017	HALF TERM
Monday 5 June 2017	Back to school
Friday 21 July 2017	END OF TERM ~ 1:15pm