



DREAM BIG



Fortnightly Newsletter: 21st October 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Writing this newsletter fills me with such joy. After such a turbulent 18 months, I feel we have finally managed to return to some normality. Remaining fully open now feels like a huge achievement. I am so proud of the children who have understandably found aspects of returning to school challenging. With the support of the caring staff team who take time to understand how the children are feeling they have gone from strength to strength.



I think it is safe to say they are all shattered and ready for a week off.

Please find below our fortnightly updates:

Achievements

Even though we have only been back for one-half term we have already achieved so much. Below are some of our highlights:

<i>Our new vision and values were introduced</i>	<i>Successful visit from Bishop Sam</i>	<i>Black History day was taught across the school</i>	<i>Over £100 raised for Macmillan nurses</i>
<i>We have returned to church every Friday</i>	<i>New parent APP launched</i>	<i>All the TAs and middays updated their 1st aid training</i>	<i>3 new members of staff started: Mrs Berry, Miss McIlroy, Miss Merrick</i>
<i>Parents evening completed</i>	<i>Ethos council set up</i>	<i>Amazing pumpkins and fruit pies created at home</i>	<i>The school passed their Health and Safety audit</i>
<i>Writing books and History files were monitored across the school.</i>	<i>Individual photos have taken place</i>	<i>Attendance meetings have taken place</i>	<i>£117 raised from the sweet sales and pie making.</i>

Leadership

Last week interviews took place for the role of permanent 'Assistant Headteacher'. Myself and Tricia Walker, our Chair of Governors, undertook the process. I am thrilled to announce that Miss Claire Moore and Mrs Katy Spreckley were successfully appointed. Alongside myself, they will form the Senior Leadership Team. Miss Moore will lead Key Stage 2 and the curriculum and Mrs Spreckley will lead Early Years/Key Stage 1 and parent partnership. I am excited to continue to move the school forwards with them.

High School Applications

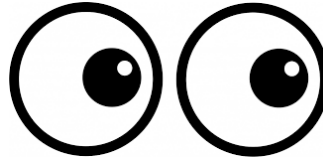
This week we were notified of which children have applied for High School places. Unfortunately, only 36% of the Year 6's have applied for a High School place. Mrs Alexander has let most parent's know but it is now essential that you apply to ensure you get the school you want for your child. Please contact the school office if you are unsure how to go about this. If your child has an EHCP (Education Health and Care Plan) your child's place will be allocated via a different route.

Parents Evening

A very successful parents evening took place this week with ALL parents / carers receiving educational and social updates about their child. ***This has never happened before!!***

LOOK AT THIS!!!!

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>%</u>
EYFS	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	100%
Year 3/4	100%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	100%



This is excellent and we would be interested to hear if you prefer telephone conversations, as they are easier to fit in around work and childcare. We could offer opportunities for you to come into school to see your child's work separately.

Reminders

No dogs on school premises (except disability dogs). This is not just our school rule this is across Stockport.

Attendance

Thank you to the parents for turning up to their attendance meetings

Attendance Matters



Have the most wonderful half term....SEE YOU ON MONDAY 1st NOVEMBER where it will definitely be warm coats and woolly hat weather!

Best wishes.

E. Harding

Mrs Harding
Headteacher

Weekly Worship Focus

Our value for this half term has been THANKFULNESS. In worship this week we thought about harvest and being grateful for the food produced. We had a mini Harvest festival in the Hall and sung our hearts out to our wonderful Harvest songs. I'm surprised you couldn't hear us. Thank you all for your generous donations to the church food bank. Reverend Makin is collecting them all today.

Children's
Worship



Birthdays

Birthdays over the next 2 weeks:

Zunaira in Year 2
Lucy in Year 3
Evelyn in Year 4
Dan in Year 3
Riley in Year 6



We hope you have the best day!

Head's weekly awards

This week's awards go to:

- Isobel and Daisy in Year 6 for leading our Harvest festival.



Weekly attendance

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Weekly %</u>
Nursery	92.6%
Reception	94.7%
Year 1	90.2%
Year 2	90.9%
Year 3/4	92.2%
Year 5	93.6%
Year 6	91.4%
Whole school	92.2%



Well done Reception and Year 5!

Important Dates

- Thursday 21st October: Children break up for half term
- Friday 22nd October: Staff training day
- Monday 1st November: Children return to school
- Monday 1st November: All Saint's Day
- Monday 8th November: Flu vaccinations
- Friday 17th December: Children break up for Christmas
- Wednesday 5th January: Children return for the Spring term.

