



BREDBURY ST. MARK'S CE  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter: Pumpkin Time 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Gosh these weeks are flying by! Only two weeks until the October half term. We have been so proud of how the children have returned since the summer. They have coped with the changes remarkably well.

I want to thank so many of you for wearing facemasks when you are on school premises. We really do appreciate your support with this. If you ever forget please just ask as we will always have some available. The infection rate continues to rise so these extra measures will help protect us all especially when social distancing is a challenge.



**Uniform** – Another huge thank you. The last few pairs of coloured trainers have now been changed and ALL children are wearing the correct school uniform!! Honestly, this is something I have dreamt of writing. I knew we could do it!

**Website** – We have been working hard to create our new website and ensure it has all the important information on it. All COVID information and letters/forms can be found on here. Next week the teachers are being trained on how to create their class pages so watch this space...

**Walking home from school** – Many of our children walk home from school alone so we thought now would be a good time to offer some **Top Tips** for keeping safe on the journey to and from school. Children should:

- Be reminded not to talk to anyone they do not recognise even if the person is talking to them.
- Be reminded to walk straight home.
- Be reminded to walk sensibly along a route that has been agreed by yourselves and them.
- Ideally walk with a friend so they can look after each other.
- Be aware of other pedestrians and road users when walking to and from school.
- Be reminded that excellent behaviour is expected from all our children. We remind them that they are role models for the school and someone will always let us know if their behaviour isn't acceptable.

Kind regards

*E. Harding*

Mrs Harding

Acting Headteacher

### Head's weekly awards

This week's award goes to Archie in Year 4 for showing real resilience and bravery. Harry in Year 6 for having an active week at lunchtime and joining in with the sport's activities. Keep it up! I wonder who I'll be mentioning next week?



### Special mentions

I hope you have seen the letter from Mrs Spreckley about our **1<sup>st</sup> ever pumpkin decorating competition**. The closing date is Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October. We can't wait to see them and there will be prizes!!!



### Attendance

We want all attendance to be **over 95%**. Class attendance from September to now:



EYFS	89.9%
Year 1	92.0%
Year 2	96.9%
Year 3	<b>82.1%</b>
Year 4	96.9%
Year 5	95.0%
Year 6	94.4%
Whole school	<b>92.9%</b>

### Birthdays next week ...

Happy birthday to:

Ethan Year 5  
Rhianne in Reception



We hope you have the best day!

### Reminders

If your child is ill and is not going to be in please phone / email to let us know. It is essential we know the reason especially if the symptoms may be COVID related. We don't want to have to chase you but Mrs Quinn will be onto to you if we don't hear. We are also seeing in an increase in children arriving late. This may not seem important to you but for your children walking into a classroom where everyone else is already working can be really upsetting.



### Looking ahead ...Diary

#### Dates

Don't think we have forgotten about parent's evening. We are having some technical difficulties with the booking system. We hope to have it resolved by the beginning of the week.



#### 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020

This is the closing date for applying for your child's **secondary school place**. Further details can be found by clicking the link below:

<https://www.stockport.gov.uk/apply-for-school-place>