



Dear Parents and Carers,

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY NEXT WEEK

Friday 29th September NON UNIFORM DAY

“Macmillan Coffee Morning and Jeans for Genes Day”

Children can come in wearing something Denim (if they have it) If not, non-uniform of their choice. They can do this for a donation to these charities of £1.

Come and have some Coffee and Cake with the Principal and we will use it as an opportunity to answer any questions you may have about anything to do with our school.

Wednesday 4th October

Travers class Assembly at 3.15pm – Do come and join us for this very special occasion.

ADVANCED NOTICE

Parent Consultation Evenings will be on **Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October** between 4pm and 7.30pm.

Please keep one of those dates free to meet your child's class teacher.

RECEPTION NEWS

The children have done amazingly with their first full week. We have started phonics and have been delighted with their enthusiasm for learning their new sounds. In order to support the children at home with their writing it would be great if you could do some activities to build up their hand strength. Such as playdough/ threading/ building with Lego.

Next week we continue to think about our homes and the local area. We would like to

invite you in to help us make model houses on **Friday 29th of September at 2.15pm**. We are also desperate for spare clothes please bring in any unwanted items your children have grown out of.

YEAR 1

The children are coming to the end of our Literacy unit on 'But Martin', a story about an alien who visits the school. We'll be aiming to use the skills we've learnt about description in our own writing.

In our topic 'All about me' we have enjoyed learning about the parts that make up our bodies. We're now going to look a little at the feelings and thoughts that we have and what makes us all different.

YEAR 2

It has been a busy week in Year 2! The children have been learning how to write expanded noun phrases in literacy and how to use the greater than and less than symbols in maths. We have continued our work around castles in topic and made snow in science. Next week, the children will be starting to write their quest stories. Try and read them some stories to spark their imaginations. In maths, we will be looking at odd and even numbers and counting in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10 and how we can use this in our calculations. Start practising at home with your child. In our topic work next week we will be focussing on knights and how they helped to protect the castle!

Thank you all for supporting your child with their homework. They will be bringing home some more homework to be completed by next Wednesday. We are still collecting cardboard so if you have any at home please bring it in.

YEAR 3

We have really enjoyed seeing our Year 3's begin to find out about light in our science lessons this week.

Next week, Year 3 will be coming to the end of their number unit in Maths. In Literacy, they will be writing our own stories from the perspective of a Neanderthal girl living now. In topic, we will be finding out about Stone Age houses and what they were made from. They will be learning some more French phrases, finding out about Jesus and how he spread his message and in Science conducting our own light experiment.

YEAR 4

Next week in Year 4 we will be exploring new and exciting concepts in Numeracy and Literacy such as using the column method for addition and subtraction in Numeracy and in Literacy we will be writing a continuation from a clip we have been studying.

The children have enjoyed being mummified this week and are looking forward to finding out even more about Ancient Egyptians.

As you were aware, homework was handed out last Friday and the response across the year group was AMAZING, so a huge thank you from us. However, the bench mark has clearly been set and we are expecting the homework to be returned as prompt and to the same high standard on Wednesday please.

If you have any questions, please do come and speak to a member of the Year 4 team.

Thank you

YEAR 5

Next week in literacy, Year 5 will be using their persuasive writing skills to write a job application letter to Willy Wonka's chocolate factory. We will be focusing on emotive language, strong adjectives, powerful verbs and rhetorical questions.

In maths, we have been learning about negative numbers and have been practicing counting past zero. We will be continuing to apply these skills next week as well as refreshing our knowledge of Roman numerals.

Our science topic this term is 'Light', we will be learning about the colour spectrum and how light can be reflected and refracted.

YEAR 6

Bonjour tout le monde et comment allez-vous? Next week we are beginning French and science! We will learn simple French phrases and greetings. In science we will begin our study of the properties of light. It has been another fabulous week and the children continue to work very hard and adapt well to life in Y6. Our pictures based on the book 'Holes' are now on display in the Year 5/6 area.

A final word from me:

We are looking to set up a regular 'Good as New' uniform sale, which will be open to all parents, giving an opportunity to buy second hand, good quality uniform at reduced prices. Please look out for more details about this next week.

Have a lovely weekend



Miss J.Waelend
Executive Principal