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Friday 7th January 2022



Responsibility

Empathy

Aspiration

Respect

Determination

A Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the start of a new term, where we can look forward to longer days and hope that the weather will stay bright and dry. It has been great to see the children back at school this week after the Christmas holiday and if I haven't seen you when I've been outside at the school gate – 'Happy New Year!'

At the end of the Autumn term our children were busy completing assessments and we were really pleased to see the progress that had been made following the many interruptions to schooling that we had all experienced with the pandemic during the 2020-2021 academic year – so well done everyone for all your hard work. On the subject of pupil progress, it is crucial that children are punctual every day. As a whole school our reading lessons start as soon as the children are registered – within minutes of them entering the building – so any lateness will affect your child's reading progress which also impacts on their writing attainment.

On the subject of reading - it is also incredibly powerful to listen to your child read and also to read to them – at any age, yes, that does also include our Year 6 pupils! Classes have weekly timetabled sessions in our exceptionally well-resourced school library – where children are able to borrow a school library book that is scanned out by the class library monitors. Please ensure that if your child has any overdue library books that they return them so that they are able to borrow a new book.

Today all phonics group children will be bringing home with them a levelled book and their phonics decodable book. These books will be changed every Friday so please ensure that you listen to your child read and that you have commented in their reading record book.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs McCree-Boyle

Ms Archer, Assistant Headteacher



Happy New Year to all our families. All our pupils will be sent home today with a 'Spring 1 Parent Curriculum Map' which can be found in their homework packs. The Spring term is our **EXPLORE** theme, where we focus on Geography.

Our Explore theme inspires our pupils to have a curiosity and fascination about the world and its people. Learning in our Explore units is about understanding the world by: comparing locations; investigating; researching different sources; writing and talking about places; asking and answering questions.

Children learn about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments, together with a deep understanding of the Earth's key physical and human processes. Children will learn many transferable skills, such as research, observation, measurement, recording and presentation.

Wellbeing

During our weekly Wellbeing Time this week children were welcomed back to school and reminded of all the ways they can get support if they are not feeling their best.

Class Worry Boxes



Children can write their name or a problem on a note and put the note into their class Worry Box. Their class teacher will read the note and come and speak to them to offer support.

Place2Talk

Children can request an appointment with our Place2Be Manager Joshica Parmar, to discuss anything that's worrying them.

Pastoral Team

Children can ask to speak to Ms Roz, our Pastoral Manager if there is something they need help with or something that is worrying them.

Please remind your child of the many ways they can get support when in school.



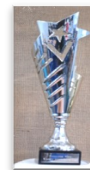
Gold Certificates

The term has only just begun and children are already aiming high and showing some *exceptional* effort and skill! Gold certificates were awarded this week for reasons including displaying positive reading behaviours during reading tasks, great sportsmanship during PE, excellent work in literacy, helping a friend during carpet time and for being very patient and helpful. *Well done to you all!*

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Kuzey Kyrie	Sufyan Muhammed Akkshith Precious Riley	Pele Kiera	Halima Daiyan Amanjeet	John Jagraja Zakaria	De'ajiah Yassin Denzell	Kaan Safiyah Ender

Attendance

Congratulations to....



WINNERS!
6HA
Weekly Attendance Trophy, who received 98% attendance!



	Key Stage 2	Last Week	Term to Date
Year 6	96%	96%	96%
Year 5	91%	94%	94%
Year 4	93%	95%	95%
Year 3	92%	93%	93%
Reception / Key Stage 1			
Year 2	94%	94%	94%
Year 1	93%	94%	94%
Rec	94%	96%	96%

Support for Parents

The [Anna Freud](#) website is a great resource for tips and strategies to support yourself and your family. Click a picture for more.



Makaton

Our sign next week is '**January**'
Click the picture to watch a video of the sign in action.



Why not try practice at home?

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Coronavirus remains a serious health risk. You should stay cautious to help protect yourself and others.