



October Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM MRS LAVELLE

Friday 23rd October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach a much needed half term break, I would like to say (as I have many times this half term!) how very proud we are of all of our children for how well they have settled back into school life, and their happy, positive, hard-working and sensible behaviour. Many thanks again to parents/carers for all of your support this half term and to our brilliant staff team who have worked so hard to ensure that all children feel safe, well cared for and able to achieve well in all areas of school life during this unsettled time.

We have ended half term with a very enjoyable Halloween theme day and it has been lovely to see the wide range of costumes amongst both children and staff!

Below you will find further news and useful information. I hope your child really enjoys their half-term break and we look forward to seeing them return after the holiday on Monday 2nd November. As usual, contact me at school if you have any questions or concerns.

Please note that the current staggered times/finishes for classes will continue in the same way after half term

Best wishes,

Mrs Lavelle

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Harvest



A big thank you for your generosity again this year, particularly during these difficult times. Your donations have been collected by The People's Kitchen this week, who will use these to stock up their cupboards, helping them to provide 40,000 hot meals a year, from their premises in central Newcastle, and from their mobile kitchen which takes to the streets three times a week.

We enjoyed lovely Harvest songs, dances and presentations from children in Nursery, Reception and Years 1, 2 and 3; these were watched by

children in classes across the school as part of our virtual Harvest Assembly this week. These were also shared through Class Dojo with parents/carers in these year groups and I'm sure you enjoyed them as much as we did! We also watched a video message from Reverend Lintern which included his usual Harvest magic trick!

Show Racism The Red Card 'Wear Red' Day

Thank you for your support with this important charity day which raised £169.

Children enjoyed a range of activities linked to this theme and there were some very thoughtful and interesting discussions in classes across the school.

We will look forward to further links with this charity during our 'One Britain' theme activities in the Spring term.



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Packed Lunches



Our School Council from last year have done a great job of raising awareness in school about healthy eating and healthy meals, putting together an Assembly that was shown to classes in school recently.

With this in mind, can I remind parents/carers please that the following items must not be included in packed lunches: chocolate bars and sweets, items containing nuts, fizzy/sugary drinks and to reduce the inclusion of items such as crisps, biscuits, cakes. We are also encouraging children to eat portions of fruit and/or vegetables in their packed lunches every day and are awarding

weekly 'Healthy Packed Lunch' awards as part of our 'Golden Table' awards. Many thanks for your support with this.

Remote Learning Plan

This has been emailed to parents/carers and explains how we will deliver Remote Learning should the school/year group bubble has to close or if a child is having to self-isolate.

Earrings Reminder

Can I please remind everyone that the wearing of earrings is not permitted in school. Children will be asked to remove earrings if they come into school wearing them. Many thanks.

Parents Evenings

These will not be able to go ahead in school as they would usually. Instead, teachers will send home a summary of your child's progress in school so far this term in mid November.

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