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Thursday 10th November 2017

WELCOME

Welcome back, I hope you have all enjoyed a wonderful week off and enjoyed your Halloween and Bonfire Night celebrations.

This week we have had a great Remembrance service with father Ian in school and pots of visitors have commented on our hall which is displaying beautiful work from the children. It would be lovely to see parent and children at the Remembrance service at St Luke's on Sunday; please see the details documented later in the newsletter.

Next week we will be holding parents meetings; if you haven't made an appointment it's not too late – please see your child's class teacher.

SCHOOL AWARDS



This week special mentions were awarded to:

Reception: Amelia, Leila

Year 1: Brodie, Bella

Year 2: Jasmine, Lizzie

Year 3: Nathan, Scarlett

Year 4: Ian, Connor

Year 5: Charlie, George

Year 6: Kai, Amelia



This week 'Always' awards were given to:

Reception: Bella

Year 1: Holly

Year 2: Gracie

Year 3: Tyler

Year 4: Bladen

Year 5: Ebony

Year 6: Casey S

Our 'Always' children for the week get to spend special time with George on Friday mornings.



This weeks' Behaviour Raffle prizes were won by:

Reception: Adrian

Year 1: Harley

Year 2: Ethan

Year 3: Denis

Year 4: Callum

Year 5: Olivia

Year 6: Arron



ATTENDANCE

During the year attendance is monitored daily and each week classes receive awards for their attendance in the previous week.

On Monday the attendance awards were presented to **Year 1 WELL DONE!**

Nursery AM 90.2%, Nursery PM 93.2%

Reception 98.3%,

Year 1 99.6%, Year 2 95%,

Year 3 98.8%, Year 4 99.1%

Year 5 96.6%, Year 6 97.3%

Our attendance target is **96%**



LUNCHTIME AWARDS

On Monday awards for last week were given to:

Reception: Jessica

Year 1: Lexi

Year 2: Jennifer

Year 3: Lewis

Year 4: Tilly

Year 5: Kenzie

Year 6: Millie



FOUNDATION NEWS.... KIND KANDINSKY

NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been reading the story of 'The Gruffalo'. We have been using words from the story to try to describe the Gruffalo and have drawn some fantastic drawings. We have also spoken about our favourite characters in the story. In Maths, we have been practising our careful counting and have begun to estimate how many objects we can see before counting them.

Next week, we will be starting our new topic of 'Polar World' and will be learning about the different animals you can find. In Maths, we will be trying to use positional language to describe where we are and where objects are. We are currently updating our Home Corner and would like photos of your child and their family to be displayed. If you have any photos that you would like to be displayed then please bring them in.

Thank you to all the parents that have so far

sent in a Parental Contribution slip about something your child has done that has made you proud. We love seeing what they have done at home.

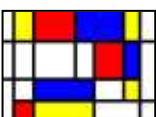
IMPORTANT REMINDER – Please note that there will be no nursery on Friday 1st December. This is to allow Nursery staff to carry out home visits for the new children that will join us in January.



RECEPTION

We have enjoyed exploring in depth the story 'The Gruffalo' by Julia Donaldson. We have been looking closely at the cards used by the author to describe the Gruffalo and we have enjoyed thinking of our own describing words. We have been answering a lot of retrieval questions, looking closely at the text and the illustrations to find the answers. In our Maths we have focussed on addition all week. We have been using the range of vocabulary related to addition and we have been using a variety of resources to support our learning.

Next week we will begin our topic focus on the Polar World. In Maths we will focus on subtraction. We will also be making a start on our nativity rehearsals!



YEAR 1 NEWS.... MARVELLOUS MONDRIAN

In our Big Read session we read the story Jack and the Beanstalk.

A huge beanstalk appeared in our classroom! We enjoyed reading the story, acting it out and answering lots of questions all about the story and how the characters were feeling. Jack even left us some jelly beans!

In Literacy we created fantastic firework pictures. We then wrote instructions about how to make a firework picture using bossy (imperative) verbs and short sentences. Next week we will be writing about our favourite toy – thank you to everyone who brought their toy in on Monday – could you please bring it in again next Monday 13th November?

We will also be writing about Jack and the Beanstalk, focusing on describing the giant.

In Maths we have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We started counting at zero, but then we have also started with any number and counted in 2s, 5s and 10s, for example 16, 26, 36, 46. Next week we are learning more about capacity using the terms empty, half empty and full. We will be measuring and estimating, for example how many bottles of water will it take to half fill the container?

In our art sessions we have been looking at the work of Jackson Pollock. We created our own version of his drip painting work, they all look amazing.

Mini-beasts! We have been finding out about mini-beasts in our science work. Where do they live? What do they look like? How are they the same/different? We made sure that they were put back carefully where we found them.

Please remember to bring your favourite toy on Monday.



YEAR 2 NEWS.... JACKSON POLLOCK

This week in maths we have continued our work on multiplication and division. We now know that division is the opposite (inverse) of multiplication. We are getting very good at answering multiplication and division questions. Later on in the week we moved onto understanding the value of numbers by partitioning (splitting) them into tens and ones. This is something that you could all practise at home as it is a very important skill and will help when you come to add and subtract bigger numbers.

In Literacy this week we continued our unit of work about letters and postcards. We put ourselves in the role of JP, a character from a story, and wrote a postcard and letter to the not so nice teacher! We learnt more about using question marks and exclamation marks and challenged ourselves to use them in our writing.

Our new artist this week has been Paul Klee and we learnt about mixing tints from

primary and secondary colours and using tints to make our own painting. You will now start to see lots of our work go up in our gallery and our key stage one display.

It is that time of year again when we start to think about Christmas and we have already started to learn some of our songs ready for our Christmas nativity concert. We will continue to practise these throughout the weeks in the run up to Christmas.



YEAR 3 NEWS.... SUPER SEURATS

This week in Literacy we have been learning to use a thesaurus so that we can use better vocabulary in our writing. In Maths we have been learning to tell time to 5 minutes. In our Big Read sessions we found out about the characters involved in the Gunpowder Plot.

Next week in Literacy we will be learning how to use commas and attending a dodgeball competition on Wednesday.



YEAR 4 NEWS.... PERFECT PICASSO

This week all the children have been super. In Maths we have been analysing shapes. We have been looking at lines of symmetry and have been identifying whether shapes are regular or irregular. This has been tricky for some pupils however everyone has put lots of effort in to their work. In Literacy we have been researching Falcons using the computer and we have written some amazing reports on our findings.

Next week in our Topic lesson we will be continuing to learn interesting facts about Ancient Egypt.



YEAR 5 NEWS.... BRILLIANT BANKSY

This week in year 5 we have started our new unit of practise for sports hall athletics as well as the second unit of our REAL PE sessions. In Literacy we have looked at lots of key retrieval questions as well as starting sentences in different ways. In Maths we have looked at finding missing angles and then moved onto the perimeter which will be continued next week. Next week in Literacy we will be concentrating on conjunctions to join clauses.

Well done to children who have been bringing their reading diaries into school. As a reward

these children have decided they would like to cook and make pizza. Keep it up.



YEAR 6 NEWS LIBERAL LOWRY

A great week in Year 6 – the children have begun to find out about earthquakes (the second part of our topic) and have found this very interesting. In RE we began to discuss Christianity in our 'build up' to the work on the Christmas story. Our Maths learning has focussed upon shapes and angles – next week we will look at area and perimeter. In Literacy we have found out about persuasive writing, the passive/active voice and rhetorical questions. Next week we will write persuasively around the 'Keep Grimethorpe Tidy' theme. Please continue to encourage your child to attend booster sessions – the attendance has been amazing and will have a huge impact on the children's progress. I hope to see you at the Remembrance Service at St Luke's on Sunday where children from Year 6 will represent the school by laying a school wreath at the memorial. Don't forget if you don't have a pupil progress meeting appointment booked you can call in and see me to book a time. I am happy to see parents at any time between 7am and 5pm most days as I know it can be difficult between 9-5 with other commitments.



Remembrance Service Sunday 12th November 2017

As we mentioned before the holiday; there is a Remembrance Service at St Luke's Church on Sunday 12th November which everyone is welcome to attend. Staff and pupils will also be there to represent Ladywood. Any pupils or parents wanting to join us can meet outside the BULLET at 9.40am to march to Church or can join the ceremony at 10.40am at the Church memorial. Children from Ladywood will be involved in laying a wreath at the memorial.

Members of staff will be there but children will be the responsibility of their parents.

SAVE YOUR BOXES....

Our Nursery and Reception children love junk modelling and we would be extremely grateful to anyone who would be able to bring in empty cardboard, cereal boxes, tubes etc.

Any boxes can be handed to the classroom or to the main school office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Children in Need
'PJ Day'
Friday 17th November 2017**



This year in support of Children in Need we are asking the children to come to school in their pyjama's for a suggested donation of £1.

We will also be holding Pudsey themed activities in classes throughout the day.

OTHER FUTURE EVENTS

*****Christmas dates added*****

Tickets for all our Christmas performances will be on sale from Monday 20th November (£1 each). Tickets will be limited to 2 per family in the first instance due to limited space in the hall

12.11.17 Remembrance Service/St Lukes
15.11.17 Y3/4 Dodgeball competition
17.11.17 Children in Need Day
24.11.17 Y5 Sportshall athletics competition
29.11.17 Y6 Sportshall athletics competition
01.12.17 Nursery closed for home visits
01.12.17 Y1/2 Cricket competition
05.12.17 Y5/6 Visit to Magna
12.12.17 Y1/2 Xmas performance 5pm
13.12.17 Y1/2 Xmas performance 10am
14.12.17 EYFS Xmas performance 10am
14.12.17 Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Xmas performance 5pm
15.12.17 EYFS Xmas performance 1.30pm
19.12.17 Y1 to Y6 Panto @ Lamproom 1pm
19.12.17 EYFS Christmas parties
20.12.17 School Xmas Lunch

22.12.17 Xmas Factor finals 10am
22.12.17 Last day of autumn term
25.12.17 School closed for 2 weeks for Christmas holidays
08.01.18 School re-opens
12.02.18 School closed all week – half term Holiday
19.02.18 School re-opens
23.03.18 Last day of Spring term
26.03.18 School closed for 2 weeks for Easter Holidays
09.04.18 School re-opens
03.05.18 Polling day – Nursery & Reception closed
07.05.18 May Day bank holiday – school closed
28.05.18 School closed all week – half term Holiday
04.06.18 School re-opens
20.07.18 Last day of Summer term for pupils
23.07.18 Inset day – school closed
24.07.18 Summer holiday starts

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our new Autumn term clubs running after the half term holiday and up to and including Thursday 14th December are:

Text messages will be sent out before we return to school on 6th November to let you know which clubs your child has been allocated a place for.

Monday	KS1 Ball Games 3pm to 3.45pm
Tuesday	KS2 Homework 3pm to 3.45pm KS1 Cricket 3pm to 4pm
Wednesday	KS2 Athletics 3pm to 4pm KS1/2 Lego Club 3pm to 3.45pm
Thursday	KS2 Multi-sports 3pm to 3.45pm KS2 Dodgeball 3pm to 4.15pm

PARENTS MEETING DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM

13.11.17	YEAR 4
14.11.17	YEAR 3*
14.11.17	EYFS (NURSERY & RECEPTION)
15.11.17	YEAR 1 & YEAR 2
16.11.17	YEAR 5 & YEAR 6

*Year 3 Parents

Please note we have had to change the parents meeting from Monday to Tuesday 14.11.17 due to Mrs Laverack's son's graduation ceremony.