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Dear Parents/Carers,

Aspirations Week - Aim high! Be happy!

We had a great Aspirations Week, whereby children had a chance to consider their hopes and dreams for the future. A huge thank you to the parents who came in to talk about their jobs. This was a very worthwhile and valuable experience for the children. Thank you also to those who put their names forward but were not selected this time.

Reception had a visit from a doctor. The children enjoyed trying out all of the equipment. They were all very inquisitive and had lots of questions. Hopefully we have some future doctors in the making!

Year 1 had a visit from an artist and musician named Jason. He showed some of his amazing work and spoke to the children about how he used the vibrations from music to create some of his paintings.

Year 2 had a visit from a dentist and an engineer who worked for London Underground. We learnt about the importance of keeping our teeth clean and how to become a dentist. We also found out what happens behind the scenes when we travel on the tube!

Year 3 had a very interesting visit from James Moore who is a journalist. James spoke about how he became a journalist and even showed us some of his work in the newspaper.

Year 4 also had a visit from James Moore and also from a lawyer named Imran. Imran spoke about the many different types of law, what law is and the routes to becoming a lawyer. Many of our children were interested in how much he was paid!

Year 5 had a very special visit from our MP Wes Streeting. He told us about his varied work as an MP and how much he enjoys helping the people that he works with. We had lots of questions to ask him and he managed to answer them all!

Year 6 had a visit from a doctor - Lucy Bemand-Qureshi. She told us about her work and the route to becoming a doctor. We were surprised about how many years of study were needed! We enjoyed trying out all the equipment and listening to the stories about her work.

Years 1 to 6 had also attended a Money Sense workshop led by volunteers from Natwest Bank. Money Sense is a financial education programme and covers everything from budgeting to fraud. We are proud to be a Money Sense accredited school and know that financial education is very important to our pupils.

Nursery children will have a visit from a dentist in February. They have also enjoyed learning about the people who help them.

Photographs from the various visits can be viewed on the school website.

Coronavirus

Just a reminder of the guidance issued by the NHS - please ensure your child has tissues with them to use when they need to cough or sneeze. They should then bin the tissues and thoroughly wash their hands. The school has hand sanitiser gel if they then wish to use it.

Goal!!

We now have a new football goal which was very kindly donated by the dad of Jaiden in 4M. A very big thank you to him for this gesture.

Dinner Arrears

Once again I have to remind you that if you have a child or children in years 3 to 6 who require a school dinner these need to be paid for in advance unless they are registered for free school meals. **Please pay your arrears!!**

Coats

As the weather is now turning colder please ensure all children wear a coat to school. All coats should be labelled with who they belong to. Please ensure your child brings home the correct coat.

Main Gate

Please note that the main gate in Atherton Road will not be opened for parents until 3.20 pm each day. This is to ensure the safety of the children.

Attendance

It is important that your child attends school every day and arrives on time for the start of the school day. Children who arrive late on a regular basis disturb the whole class when they arrive late.

The Government expects a minimum attendance of 96%. For January our attendance percentage was exactly 96% so we just meet their expectations. Now let us see if we can beat this figure for future months!!

Forgotten Something?

Please make sure your child comes to school fully prepared for the day with everything they need for the whole day and any after school clubs. Please do not ask our very busy office staff to pass things on, especially packed lunches and PE kits. We cannot guarantee that items will be taken to class after the start of the day.

World Book Day - 5th March 2020

There will be various activities in school for World Book Week. These will include:

Children will be given a book token which can be exchanged in participating outlets when purchasing a book.

5 Big Bad Wolves(KS2) and 5 Little Red Riding Hoods(KS1) will be hidden around school for the children to find.

Children who find them can collect a book from Miss Craggs during afternoon play.

Children can come to school in their pyjamas or dressed as a book character. The theme for World Book Day on 5th March will be favourite stories with an emphasis on encouraging and celebrating reading at home.

The library will be open from 3.30 until 4.15 on 5th March instead of on the Monday for parents and children.

The library will also be open from 8.25 in the morning for KS1 children and their parents to pop in for a story.

For homework on Friday 28th February the children will take home a book cover template to design their own book cover. Please encourage your child to be creative!! These designs should not be stuck in their homework books as the designs will be displayed around the school.

We may have a Book Bus visit on Thursday 11th March from the Book People, but we are unsure if this is going ahead as they have recently gone into liquidation. We will confirm by a Group Call Text as soon as we have confirmation.

There will be story telling after school on 5th March from 3.45 for all year groups. The location for each year group is as follows:

Foundation stage/nursery/early years for children accompanied by parents will be in Reception Class RM.

KS1 for children accompanied by parents will be in the library.

Lower KS2 for children accompanied by parents will be in Year 3 class 3R.

Upper KS2 will be in Year 5 class 5J. Children in Year 5 will need to be collected by an adult and Year 6 children can walk home alone if you have given written permission for them to do so.

KS1 stories in French will take place in class 1S.

KS2 stories in French will take place in class 3C.

Playstreets

Playstreets on Harewood Drive will take place from 2.30 pm until 4.30 pm on Sunday 1st March (weather permitting).

Could parents please -

1. Consult year group Whatsapp Groups for cancellation updates.
2. Encourage your child to bring their bike, scooter, ball, skipping rope etc.
3. Ensure any snacks they bring for the shared food table are suitable for vegetarians and contain no nuts.
4. Please note parents are responsible for supervising their children.

See you on Sunday - Miss Craggs

Geography Bee Representatives

The following children are our Geography Bee Representatives:

Zakariyyaa and Zaid in 5W.

Ava and Sahib in 5J.

Afternoon tea with Mrs Hussain

Since half-term, the following children enjoyed afternoon tea with Mrs Hussain:

Dayen (1S), Jayden (2Y), Safaa (3C), Theo (4A), Zulekha and Claudia (5W) and Hanna (6A).

Awards

Year 1

Washis in 1M has achieved 100 reads.

Theresa in 1M is a Star Reader.

Janaid in 1M has received a bronze award for 25 reads.

Aarav in 1M has a gold award for 75 reads.

Zaki and Olivia in 1M have a silver award for 50 reads.

Imiyah and Ariana in 1M have a bronze award for 25 reads.

Musa in 1M is a star reader with 100 reads.

A bronze merit has been awarded to Wasi, Aurora, Emaan and Yusuf in 1S.

Silver merits have been awarded to Olivia, Adam, Ellay, Araniya, Baktash, Wasi and Iba in 1S

Reading Rocket Awards go to the following children in 1S:

Bronze - Ellay

Silver - Oliver

Gold - Anian, Araniya, Dayen and Yusuf

Ellay in 1S has received a bronze Reading Rocket award.

Oliver in 1S has received a silver Reading Rocket award.

Anian, Araniya, Daye, Oliver and Yusuf in 1S have all received a Gold Reading Rocket award.

Anian, Araniya, Auora, Dayen, Dylan, Leo and Yusuf in 1S are all Star Readers with 100 reads.

Star Readers - Anian, Dayen, Dylan, Leo and Yusuf.

Ismael in 1S has achieved 100 reads.

Year 2

Bronze merit awards have been given to Chenaya, Elif and Petar in 2Y.

A silver merit award has been given to Raees in 2Y.

A gold merit award has been given to Mustafa in 2Y.

A gold reading award has been given to Riya and Ethem in 2Y.

A star reader award has been given to Aadam in 2Y.

Star of the fortnight for 2Y is Leo.

Year 3

Silver Merits have been awarded to:

Armaghan, Adeline, Elizaabeth, Umair, Alisha, Gabriela, Michelle and Priva all in 3R.

Bronze Reading Merits are awarded to :

Priya, Jasveer and Sameeha in 3R.

Silver Reading Merits are awarded to:

Priya, Sameeha, Alisha, Dhruv, Gabriela and Fatima in 3R.

Gold Reading Merits are awarded to:

Elizabeth, Haaniya, Tomas, Priya and Waniya in 3R.

Elizabeth in 3R is now a Star Reader.

Silver awards for 25 merits go to Hanna and Kleon in 3C.

Year 4

The following children in 4M have received a bronze merit award:

Maimuna, Jaiden, Priya, Sandeep, Vlad, Alex, Manar, Ciaran, Shqiptar, Zaiden, Iris, Isaiah, Mishail, Yunus, Muneeb and Ibrahim.

Yayha in 4A has a bronze merit award and Dharam in 4A has a silver merit award.

Gold merit awards go to Ekaterina, Abdul and Aaima all in 4A.

Year 5

The following children in 5J have received Reading Rocket Awards.

Bronze - Maisha and Isher

Silver - Azaan, Zainab and Daniyal

Gold - Allegra and Andrew

The following children in 5J have received Merit Awards.

Bronze - Fatima, Maanav, Diyaan, Isher, Ava, Adriana, Daniyal, Allegra, Bilal, Sarim, Ruth, Zainab, Crystal, Meric, Adam, Azaan, Kenny, Sahib, and Andrew.

Silver - Allegra, Ruth, Crystal, Kenny, Sahib and Andrew.

Nora and Ashwika in 5W have achieved 25 home reads.

Muhtad in 5W has received her first merit award.

Huzaifah has achieved 25 merits.

Year 6

Nikan, Rayyan, Navid and Dariya in 6A have all received a bronze merit award.

Adam in 6A has received a silver merit award.

Reading Rocket Awards go to the following children in 6A:

Bronze - Rayyan, Dayyan and Callum

Silver - Navid, Na'zia, Amana and Aasim

Gold - Swaathith and Akeela

Star Readers in 6A are Darija and Sidra

Bronze merits go to Ameenah, Anjola and Simran in 6E.

A silver merit goes to Khulud also in 6E.

Havith, Daniel and Rayhan in 6E are now Free Readers.

Dates for your Diary

March

Monday 2nd - World Book Week begins.

Tuesday 3rd - New Cookery Club starts - 3.30 - 4.30pm - pick up from Harewood Drive.

Wednesday 4th - Royal Albert Hall Festival.

Thursday 5th - World Book Day themed lunch. A special menu of BBQ chicken or Margherita pizza, peas and sweetcorn and then pancakes for dessert with honey or chocolate. For World Book Day we are encouraging families to read to their children at bedtime. See above for more World Book Week activities.

Saturday 7th March at 12 noon. Loxford Youth Centre are hosting International Women's Day activities. The activities include softball, fencing, basketball and netball.

Wednesday 11th - Glade vs Wells Primary School Foot Match at Glade.

Thursday 12th - Year 1 trip to Barkingside Methodist Church.

Monday 23rd - Year 3 Celtic Harmony Trip.

Monday 23rd - Year 6 Shaking up Shakespeare Visit.