

# **Newsletter**

Friday 27th September

### **MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD**

We were pleased to welcome parents to the Meet the Teacher mornings for Years 1-5 and our Year 6 Information evening this week. The presentations that were shared with parents during these meetings are now on our website for those who were unable to attend. These can be found under the Pupil tab in the top right corner, click on the Classes page and choose the relevant Key Stage for your child and you should find the presentation as a download at the bottom of the pages.

Our website has had an overhaul this summer and there is a lot more information to help keep you up to date with what is happening in classes and throughout the school. I would like to draw your attention to our curriculum pages this week as they have the topic grids and annual overviews as well as our new Curriculum policy which explains each subject in more detail as well as providing links to the National Curriculum.

Over the coming weeks I shall signpost new things that are happening or have been added to keep you up to date with changes that have been made so you are not having to navigate the entire website.

We also have a new document at the bottom of the curriculum page which shows our intent, implementation and impact with regards to the delivery of our curriculum. We have worked as a school to lay out our key vision and targets succinctly but it also allows us to regularly challenge our thinking as a school to ensure that the curriculum remains current and up to date.

Have a lovely weekend.













#### The Need Project

On Thursday, some children from our Pupil Parliament (formerly known as School Council) met with Gordon from the Need Project. We discussed what the project does for our community and how we can help. We have decided to place a collection basket in our foyer for dried food goods. We are also going to support them with their Christmas project during December (watch this space).

Please help us to help those in our community who need support at any time.

For more information please visit <u>www.theneedproject.co.uk</u> Thank you

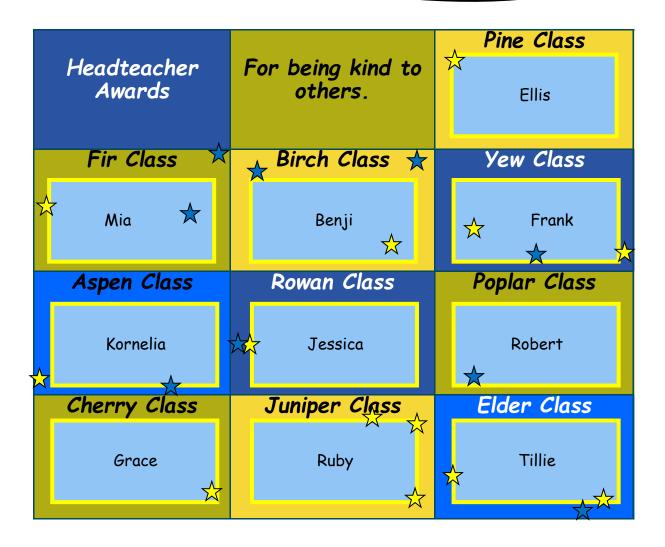
**Pupil Parliament** 



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# Community News



Please remember that holidays during term times will not be authorised and all absences must be reported to the school office on the first day of sickness please.

Attendance Award The best attendance award is presented to:		
Mulberries (Pre- School) 96.6%	Pine (YR) 100 % 👾	Fir (YR) 89.3%
Birch (Y1) 96%	Yew (Y1/2) 99.1%	Aspen (Y2) 96.4%
Poplar (Y3/4) 97.6%	Rowan (Y3/4) 94%	Cherry (Y5) 96.7%
Juniper (Y5) 99%	Elder (Y6) 99%	Our school attendance target is 97%





# School Business

# **Parent Forum**

Our first Parent Forum takes place on Monday morning shortly after 9am in Aspen class. We may need to ask you to bear with us whilst we register the children and move them to the hall but the door on the playground will open as soon as the room is available.

We look forward to seeing you there.

**HELP!** We currently have 54 stickers for our Aldi poster and still need a further 246! We only have until 3rd November 2019 to complete it. Please help us to collect more!

## A Key Stage 2 Opportunity!

If you have a child in Years 3-6, our guitar teacher currently has spaces. If you wish your child to learn the guitar then please do contact Jack directly for more information.



## **Diary Dates**

#### **Autumn 1 2019**

Monday 30th September—Parent Forum 9.00am

Monday 30th September—KS1 History off the Page visit

Monday 14th October - School photos

Tuesday 15th October—Parents' Evening

Thursday 17th October—Parents' Evening

Friday 18th October—KS2 Harvest Assembly

Friday 18th October - Family Games Night

# Half Term Week Monday 21st—Friday 25th October

#### **Autumn 2 2019**

Monday28th October Children return to school

Monday 4th November—Flu Vaccination YR to Y6

Thursday 7th November - Mulberries & Reception Disco

Friday 8th November - KS1 & KS2 Disco

Tuesday 12th November—Y6 trip to Bletchley Park

Thursday 28th November Grandparent Breakfast

Friday 29th November - Non-uniform day

Saturday 7th December—Christmas Fair

Friday 13th December—Mulberries Christmas Play 11am

Monday 16th December—Reception Christmas Play 2.30pm

<u>Tuesday 17th December</u>—KS1 Christmas Play 9.30am and 4.30pm

<u>Wednesday 18th December</u>—KS2 Christmas Songs 9.30am and 5.30pm

Friday 20th December Term ends

# **Christmas Holiday**

Monday 23rd Dec 2019—Tuesday 7th Jan 2020

#### Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural Snapshot

After the climate change protests on Friday 20th September, and the recent press around it, Cherry class looked a little more in depth at climate change. As a class we researched who Greta Thunberg is and why she is in the news at the moment. We discussed the meaning of, and reasons for climate change, and what choices individuals can make to fight it. The children made posters to show ways in which we can be kind to the Earth, and these are displayed proudly in Cherry class.



