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"With exploring minds, and faith, we achieve our challenging goals."

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Welcome to this week's newsletter

I hope that all children and families enjoyed a restful half-term! The children continue to make great strides in their learning, and give a great deal of effort everyday. Here are the children who have gone that extra mile to achieve a Pupil of the Week Certificate and Catch-me-card winners this week.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Class 1 - Ellie B & Zane W

Class 2 - Adam H & Dylan S

Class 3 - Poppy D & Zoe B

Class 4 - Cora C, Emmy L

& Layla R-H

Class 5 - Chloe W & Charlie H

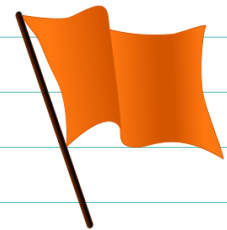
Class 6 - Joe C, Oscar M & Khai C

Class 7 - Eddie C & Oliver K



HOUSE TEAMS

Melbreak are this week winners with 65 points.



Catch-me-card winners

Lots of children were again 'caught' doing something particularly helpful over the lunchtimes and playtime this week.

Well done to all Catch-me-card winners.

The 6 winners that were drawn out of the prize draw were:

- ⇒ Evie W for being helpful
- ⇒ Poppy D for opening play buddy
- ⇒ Noah O for using lovely manners
- ⇒ Eddie C for good manners
- ⇒ Sophie M for being helpful
- ⇒ Connor H for being kind

Attendance Winners:

Class 4 have top attendance this week with 99.15%

Overall school attendance is 95.31%

0 minutes lost to lateness

Another week of 0 minutes lost. Well done to all children/families for getting to school on time!!

Norovirus —update

We have had several cases of sickness and diarrhoea in school this week as have the Infants school. This bug is extremely contagious and we need your help to try to stop it spreading.

- ⇒ Please remind your child about the importance of always washing their hands before eating and after using the toilet.
- ⇒ Children with diarrhoea and/or vomiting should be kept at home and need to be symptom free for **48 hours** before returning to school.



Reading for Pleasure

We are holding a Book-Swap afternoon for children on Tuesday 22nd November. Each child can bring in a maximum of 3 books that they have read and no longer want. The children will then receive a token for each book they bring in and can use their token to 'buy' a book that they would like to read.

- ☺ We hope everyone can enjoy taking part in the Book Swap.
- ☺ Please make sure your books are in good condition.



Children in Need Day — Friday 18th November

Next Friday is Children in Need Day and to support the wonderful work of this popular charity we're having a 'spotty' themed non-uniform day! Children can wear their 'own' clothes but must wear at least one spotty item. Pudsey themed costumes and face paints are also allowed and we're asking for donations to Children in Need of £1 each please.

- ☺ We would also like to have a special tuck shop selling cakes and biscuits for around 50p and we would be grateful for your donations of home made, or shop bought, cakes and biscuits.
- ☺ Please send your donations to school on Thursday or Friday morning.
- ☺ *Thank you!*



Operation Christmas Child Appeal

A big thank you to those families who have sent in Christmas shoeboxes this week. This is just a final reminder that the boxes will be collected on Mon 14th November.



Key Dates

Monday weekly: Y4 Swimming, **last session on Mon 21st Nov**

Monday weekly: Sing Squad 3.10pm—4.10pm, last session Mon 12th Dec

Tuesday 15th Nov: Y5&6 WHYP Table Tennis ASC— **this is the last session**

Tuesday 15th Nov—Autumn Parent’s Evening 3:20—4:30pm

Wednesday 16th Nov: Autumn Parents Evening 3.20 - 7.00pm

Monday 28th Nov: Pinocchio performance by West Midland Theatre Group

Monday 28th Nov: Pupil Progress & Welfare Committee Meeting

Tuesday 29th Nov: Full Governors’ meeting, 5.30pm

Thursday 8th Dec: Christmas School Disco 4.00pm

Monday 12th Dec: Full Governor’s Meeting, 5.30pm

Tuesday 13th Dec: Nativity Play 4.00pm

Thursday 15th Dec: Full school cinema trip

Friday 16th Dec: Joint School Carol Service 1.30pm & school closes at 2.00pm

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1	Ham pizza or pizza Margherita with chips and baked beans	Meat & potato pie with mash, cauliflower and carrots	Large cod fishcake with potato wedges and garden peas or baked beans	Roast beef with Yorkshire puddings, potatoes, sweetcorn, carrots and stuffing	Pork sausage roll with mash, savoy cabbage and gravy
CHOICE 2	Salmon nibbles with chips and baked beans	Chicken casserole with mash, cauliflower and carrots	Sweet tomato pasta with garden peas and garlic bread	Vegetarian roast dinner with Yorkshire pudding, potatoes, sweetcorn, carrots and stuffing	Cheese & onion roll with mash, savoy cabbage and gravy
CHOICE 3	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Beans	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Beans	Filled tortilla wrap with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Ham served with potato wedges	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Beans	Filled tortilla wrap with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Ham served with potato wedges
DESSERT	Flapjack and custard	Apple crumble and custard	Fruit sponge and custard	St Clements’ cakes	Golden krispie cake

As ever, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns about any aspect of school life.

Mr Beattie