



ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Last week's class winners on 99% attendance were
4/5T class.
Well done!



Dear Parents and Carers,

Fantastic first half term~ The children have made a great start to their learning this term, well done everyone we are really proud of you all!

Bags for school~ The school's PTA are running this fund raising event this year, over the half term break please have a sort out and bring your bags back in on **Thursday 3rd November by 09:00.**



Polite reminder ~ School has received concerns from parents again over the last week about parents/carers using inappropriate language on our playground at home time. We ask all adults coming onto school site to act as good role models for our children. Thank you.

Christmas is around the corner ~ The children have worked really hard to create some beautiful card designs this year, these have been posted and the proofs and packs will be coming back soon – look out for these as a great gift and memento for family presents.

A very big 'bottle' thank you ~ The children have loved our dress down day and we have an amazing amount of donated bottles ready for our bottle bonanza stall at autumn fayre. Thank you so much for your support.

New topics next term are: In foundation stage the new topic will be 'Why do leaves go crispy?'

In KS1 the new topic is 'Memory Box' history topic about your child's life and family where we link by looking at objects from the past at Cusworth Hall on 15th November and 22nd November for Y1 and Y2 classes.

In Year 3, 3/4 and 4/5 the new topic is 'Gruesome Guts'. In Year 5/6 classes Frozen Kingdom where the children will be visiting the polar bears at Yorkshire Wildlife Park on 16th November.

Staffing Updates ~ A big welcome to Miss S Taylor who will join our nursery teaching team after half term whilst Miss Eade and her family enjoy being with new baby 'Isla'.



Dates for your diary:

By giving you these dates we try to allow as much notice as possible, however on some occasions the odd date may need to change, please keep the latest newsletter and check on school's website.

o Half term: **24th October. SCHOOL RE-OPENS ON MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER. Halloween dress up day Monday 31st**

October, £1 for wearing non uniform/costume. Cre8tive dance are doing workshops for each class.

o Remembrance week **7th November**, with a special remembrance service with Mr Grimley.

o Parents/Carers open evening for all year groups: **Wednesday 9th Nov** from 3:30p.m.

o Choccy dress down day – **Friday 11th November**

o Harvest F2-Y6 ~ **17th November**, we will be holding our special harvest challenge more information to follow soon.

o Autumn Fayre ~ **Friday 18th November**. This is our annual school fund raising event, all funds go to each class to subsidise school visits or visitors. There will be lots of stall and games for family fun we hope to see all our families!

With many thanks for your support,

Mrs Faye Parish

School improvement priorities 2016-17 are:

PRIORITY 1)

AIM: To ensure that standards of expectation across school are consistently high.

Behaviour, attendance, uniform, learning in lessons, pupils' bookwork, handwriting, school building/grounds.

PRIORITY 2)

AIM: To raise standards in attainment in reading and writing throughout school to age related expectations.

- New reading approaches for learning.
- Reading rewards introduced and tokens for rewarding reading at home to buy/swap for books.
- Reading club, Comic Cafe.
- Reading blogs on our school website.
- Online book ICT platform for access of books out of school –Active learn.
- Authors into school to talk about their books and writing.
- Reading buddy system.
- Library sessions for after school.
- Reading at home expectations for extra practice 3 times a week KS1 and KS2.
- Reading fluency class challenges.
- Reading cafes, parent/carer reading sessions.
- New reading resources.
- Book bags for KS1 from PTA fund raising.

PRIORITY 3)

AIM: Improve the quality of teaching and learning across school.