

Autumn Term Newsletter Week Ending 24/09/2021



From Mrs Mayo

Firstly, a massive congratulations to Miss Earp who passed the Level 5 Diploma in Trauma and Mental Health Informed Schools and Communities (Practitioner Status). This is a feat in its self but she also passed with a distinction! Over the past few months she has shown a high level of dedication and commitment. She has definitely shown the school vision of 'Where a Love of Learning Grows' when she passed on her learning to the rest of the school too. Through this course, we will now be classed as a Trauma Informed School



and the impact has already been seen with the changes we have made to the behaviour policy which will be on line shortly. We are taking this positive approach as not all children can put their needs into words every time they experience a different emotion, but the way children behave can tell us a lot about how they are feeling. The TIS Approach draws on the latest research – from current neuroscience, recent attachment research, current studies of effective learning and current models of child development – in order to help our school to understand the needs being signalled by children's behaviour. It gives us targeted strategies and activities to help them re-engage with learning and life. This has been especially useful for every child in school after what they have experienced in the last couple of years.

Primary Conversion

Some of you have also been asking about converting to Primary School and thank you for all of your positive comments. As seen in the Evesham Journal, on the 20th September, there is an article about discussions being held by Councillors regarding scrapping middle schools in Pershore. Plans are now to be discussed in a cabinet meeting and this may lead to a public consultation on the 11th October which will ask parents, families and local residents for their views on their proposal. I will continue to keep you informed.

Grounds Day - Tuesday 28th September

Next Tuesday, the 28th, we will be holding a Grounds Day where the children will be going outside and seeing how they can improve the school grounds. This will include litter picking, weeding and planting. Can all children please come into school with their old clothes on suitable for outdoors. If any parents/grandparents/carers who would also like to help with some gardening on a regular basis, please let the school office know.

Harvest Service - Friday 1st October

On Friday 1st October, we will be holding a Harvest Festival at the church. Unfortunately due to some Church of England guidance of when different services can be held, we will not be inviting parents this year but we will ensure that we will share parts of the service with you via the website under whole school gallery. The donations will be sent to Pershore Food Bank and any fresh food will be auctioned off at the church service on the Sunday for Farmers Overseas Action Group.

https://www.uptonsnodsburyfirstschool.org.uk/

We are currently updating our website so please bear with us while we do this. Some things have been added but some of the information has been moved to a different area. If you need any help locating anything, please inform the school office for help.

BAGS 2 SCHOOLS - 9th November 2021

Why not have a clear out during October half-term, as Bags2school will be collecting from the school playground on the above date.

For the time being parents are being asked to use black recycling bags.

Whole School Focus - National Fitness Day & Open the Book at Church

On Wednesday, it was National Fitness Day. Miss Jones set us some challenges to see how many we could complete. We also warmed up with a boogie in the Sunshine room.



On Wednesday, we also went to St Kelemn's for 'Open the Book'. The Worship Council did an excellent job alongside Mrs Bennett.

We will going to the church on a regular basis, at least every other Wednesday, so that we can hold some of our services here. We are very lucky that we are so close.



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"Where a love of learning grows"



Stars of The Week



Year R - Chloe



For being a supportive learning partner and showing fantastic listening

Year 1 - Eva

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Year 2 - Joe

For showing excellent perseverance in this writing and using his writing target

Year 3 - Sammy

For such enthusiasm in our topic research on the effects of earthquakes

Year 4 - Lottie

For great focus and determination in her spellings this week

House Points Total

WILLOW

ASH

SYCAMORE

OAK

35

43

39

32



27th Sept - After School Clubs begin

28th Sept - Year 4 Maths Multiplications Parent Information Morning (via Zoom)

29th Sept- 1.30pm Open Afternoon - Reception 2022

1st Oct - Harvest (School children only)

5th Oct - Whole School Hike

6th Oct- Rocksteady Band Workshop to whole school

11th Oct - Flu - Nasal Spray whole school (letter to parents 10/8)

12th Oct - 9.30am Open Morning - Reception 2022

14th Oct - St Nicholas Middle School Open Evening 4.30pm to 5.30pm

14th Oct - Dog Trust presentation to whole school

20th Oct - Pershore Rugby Tournament (8 players only Year 3/4)

20th Oct - Parents Consultations 1pm - 6pm

21st Oct - School Disco (details to follow)

October Half Term - 25th October - Friday 29th October 2021

1st Nov - Teacher Training Day - school closed to children

3rd Nov - 6pm Open Evening - Reception 2022

9th Nov - Bags2Schools - clothes recycling collection

19th Nov - BBC Children in Need

6th Dec - Last week of afterschool clubs

17th Dec - Last day of term