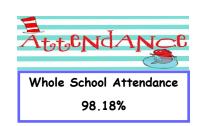


News from us

Autumn Term Newsletter Week Ending 08/10/2021



From Mrs Mayo

This week, I was once again reminded how lucky we are to come to school in such a beautiful part of the world when we went on a school hike. For those who have been on the school hike before, we also got to see a different part of the local area, as Mrs Dunne used her local knowledge to plan a new route. We will repeat this hike again during the school year so that we can see the changes in our local environment during the different seasons. The children, as always, showed impeccable behaviour and demonstrated lots of our Christian values including respect and responsibility.

On 11th October, a public consultation will be launched asking parents, families and residents for their views on the proposals for the change of age ranges at a number of schools in the Pershore area with a view to moving from a three-tier to two-tier system. From 8th November you will be able to review the consultation papers by visiting www.worcestershire.gov.uk/PershoreReview and all information with be published on our website www.uptonsnodsburyfirstschool.org.uk/change-of-age-consultation. We will also be holding two meetings for our school community where we will warmly welcome your thoughts on any potential conversion.

On Tuesday, we will be having an Art's morning in school so please can children bring in an apron. If children have any certificates that they have earnt outside of school, we would love to share them on a Monday Worship and of course share them on our newsletter.

House Points Total

WILLOW 131 ASH

103

SYCAMORE

OAK

119

108

School Vacancies

Lunchtime Supervisor (Temporary/Casual Contract)

The school is looking for a lunchtime supervisor to work on a temporary

basis 3-4 days per week, term time only.

Clerk to Governors (Permanent Contract)

The Headteacher and Governors are seeking to appoint a clerk. Full training will be provided.

Handyman (Casual Contract)

The school is looking for a handyman to carry out basic repairs around the school grounds and building, on a casual basis.

Please visit our website for application form and job description.

https://www.uptonsnodsburyfirstschool.org.uk/our-school/vacancies

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Friendship, Respect, Thankfulness, Forgiveness, Responsibility, Trust
"Where a love of learning grows"

Whole School Focus - Music

At school we love to learn music. We listen to music daily whether that's whilst we're focusing on our work or as we enter the Sunshine room for Worship. Y3/4 have begun to learn about different composers. Each morning they listen to different compositions and then on a Friday morning, they learn about the composer. This week they have been listening to Beethoven. In Worship we have a weekly sing and praise session. We learn a song linked to our value. We have been learning, If I were a butterfly as our value is Thankfulness and the song is all about thanking God for the wonderful things he has created, including us!

Y2 have been enjoying weekly music sessions where they have started to learn the Ocarina. They have learnt some big key words, which we call the inter-related dimensions of music. They now know how to describe the pitch, tempo, dynamics and duration of a piece of music. In R/1 the children explore music in regular music sessions as well as learn nursery rhymes. We are very fortunate to work with Severn Arts and have specialist teachers come in to school. Children have the opportunity to learn; keyboard, violin and ukulele.



We also love to hear live music. This week, the children were very lucky to hear live music from Rocksteady to experience instruments that could be played in a band (drums, bass, guitar and keyboard).

Martha "Ben came to school to show us some instruments. He showed us the electric guitar, electric drums, keyboard and microphone for singing."

Max "He came to show us what it's like to be in a band. It was really fun and exciting."

Don't forget to follow the link on the letter that was sent home on Wednesday to sign your child up for lessons. Lessons can start as soon as next week as long as you've signed up.



Autumn School Hike

"On Tuesday we went on a whole school walk to observe the natural objects in our local area. We saw leaves beginning to turn orange and many leaves on the floor. We can't wait to go on our next walk to see how the environment has changed throughout the year."





Stars of The Week



Year R - Skye



For incredible independent labelling of her body parts

Year 1 - Henry M

For showing our Christian value of responsibility in our class and helping others

Year 2 - Millie

For excellent listening in class and consistently demonstrating our Christian value of respect

Year 3 - Henry

For working really hard on developing his pace and independence with completing work

Year 4 - Anna-Rose

For making super progress with her understanding of place value



Celebration Awards

Swimming Certificates - Florence, Sidney & Isabelle

Music Certificate - Sammy



11th Oct - Flu - Nasal Spray whole school (letter to parents 10/9)

12th Oct - 9.30am Open Morning - Reception 2022

12th Oct - Arts Day in school (half day)

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

14th Oct - Dog Trust presentation to whole school

20th Oct - Parents Consultations 1pm - 6pm (letters sent home 1/10)

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 - Author visit to school

3rd Nov - 6pm Open Evening - Reception 2022

8th Nov - Pershore Primary Consultation - papers published

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

Term Break - 20th Dec - 3rd Jan 2022

4th Jan - Teacher Training Day

* New or Amended Dates are in red