

Welcome back everyone to the second half of the Autumn Term. The dark nights and miserable weather haven't dampened the spirits of the children. It was an absolute delight to see them all back, fully refreshed and revitalised for a busy 7 weeks of learning. We have a number of events and activities going on in the coming weeks so there is lots to look forward to and hopefully it will be an enjoyable run up to the festive period.

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents Evening this week or took part in our Parent Meeting phone calls. We hope you found this chance to meet with your child's class teacher useful.

**"Have PATIENCE.
All things are
DIFFICULT
before they
BECOME easy."**



COP26 — From the 1st November to 12th November, Glasgow is hosting a huge conference on Climate change. We have been learning in school about what climate change means and how this includes global warming, deforestation, extinction and endangerment and pollution. These big conferences happen every year and are organised by the United Nations, but this year is a really important one. Over the 12 days of the conference many of

the countries will be rethinking what they do and committing to making changes for the benefit of everyone. This is a great opportunity for leaders to work together to bring climate change under control. Over 200 countries will be asked for their plans to cut carbon emissions and this could lead to changes to our everyday lives. Lots of climate activists like Sir David Attenborough and Greta Thunberg will be there. The Vatican will also be present as the Pope has taken a lead in asking for change. Pope Francis calls us to be stewards of the world God made and to look after it, protect it and care for it. The decisions made at this conference will affect all our futures.

"The time for seeking global solutions is running out. We can find suitable solutions only if we act together and in agreement."

- Pope Francis
on climate change



FOLLOW THE FIREWORK CODE

If you must have fireworks at home, please follow this safety advice.

DOs

- Only buy fireworks from retailers registered with MFRS
- Keep fireworks in a closed box
- Follow the instructions on each firework
- Light them at arm's length, using a taper
- Stand well back
- Always supervise children around fireworks
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves
- Keep pets indoors

DON'Ts

- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks
- Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them
- Never give sparklers to a child under five
- Don't let fireworks off after 11pm

Today is **'Bonfire Night'** and I am sure lots of you will be celebrating this occasion over the weekend. The Fire Service have asked us to share this very important safety information. We have also shared this information on Twitter. Please stay safe.

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 2 who had the best attendance this week.

F1 – 72.5%

F2 – 88.8%

Year 1 – 91.7%

Year 2 – 96.6%

Year 3 – 87.5%

Year 4 – 93.3%

Year 5 – 95.2%

Year 6 – 94.0%



Anti-Bullying Week takes place from 15 to 19 November 2021 and it has the theme - One Kind Word. Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us. This is one of the reasons that 'One Kind Word' has been chosen as the theme of Anti-Bullying Week taking place from 15 to 19 of November 2021. In a world that can sometimes feel like it's filled with negativity, one kind word can provide a moment of hope. It can be a turning point. It can change someone's perspective. It can change their day. It can change the course of a conversation and break the cycle of bullying.

Friday 12th November – 'Non-Uniform' in exchange for Bottles for Christmas Fayre
INSET DATES have been uploaded on the term dates on the website.

Maths Week – 11th to 15th Nov. Miss Shutt is encouraging Years 3 to 6 to join in with this movement to share the joy of mathematics. We will be promoting maths through the annual &TTRockStars Competition – England Rocks. The winning class will be rewarded with their very own Rockstar Party!



We received a lovely certificate from Wirral Food Bank as a huge thank you for your wonderful donations.



This week in school we have been starting new topics and we are gradually starting to introduce Christmas Play songs and Carols...



Our new value for November is Patience. Thank you to 'Little Angels' who have created the wonderful whole school display for us.

In Year 2, there was lots

of chatter about the mystery objects that had arrived in their classroom. They enjoyed thinking about who they could belong to. The clues generated lots of questions, predictions and descriptive language.

Year 6 have been scientists this week and explored electricity making parallel circuits.

There has also been lots of ESafety work going on. Please look at our website for information on this. There are lots of hints, tips and websites that you can go to for more information about ESafety. These advice leaflets for parents and carers are so useful.



Thought for the week... This Sunday's Gospel tells of the poor widow. Jesus teaches us that even the smallest of good deeds, done with love, does not escape Jesus' attention. The widow's gift was so little, that in some ways, it would hardly make a difference. But Jesus reminds us that the amount we give is not as important as the love with which we give a gift. God wants us to trust and depend on him, and to share our gifts of time and money to help others. When used well, our gifts help us to find purpose in life and to improve the lives of those around us.



Enjoy your weekend, Mrs Ralph