



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

## Headteacher's update

This week we have had a number of pupils having to self-isolate at home because they have come into contact with someone who has tested positive. The virus locally does seem to be on the increase and in order to protect yourself and your families it is important to follow the tier 3 restrictions. This means that you must not meet anyone outside your household or support bubble in any indoor or outdoor setting whether at home or in a public space. This includes children who should not be playing out together. If we all follow the rules, then we can get through this more quickly.

## Wizard of Oz Production

On Wednesday M & M productions visited the school and performed 3 cinematic productions of the Wizard of Oz for KS2. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performances and the live actor said that they were one of the best school audiences he had performed in front of.



## Remote Learning

Thank you to everyone who completed the survey on the school app. We have collated the results and will use this to inform our policy for home learning. In general, parents of pupils in KS1 and lower KS2 would prefer recorded lessons on Class Dojo whereas for our older pupils live lessons on Microsoft Teams would be preferred. We will be putting together our plan over half term and will share this with you after the holiday.

## Catch Up

As I mentioned last week, after half term we will be implementing our catch up programme. We have employed a temporary part time teacher to deliver **additional phonics** lessons for pupils in **Y1, 2, 3 & 4** which will take place during the school day. **KS2** teachers will also be providing **2 after school lessons in English and Maths** each week for selected pupils. This provision will continue to be reviewed throughout the year and changes made where necessary.

## Half Term

We finish today for half term and we have an INSET day on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Children should therefore return on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**.

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## Non-uniform day

Thank you to everyone who brought in £1 for wearing their own clothes today.



## Halloween Party

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (first day back) we are holding Halloween events in each bubble. The event will start straight after school and take place in classrooms. If your child is not attending, please collect them at the usual time from the usual place.

## Sweets in a jar

Well done to Teegan Lord and India Mellett who correctly guessed the correct amount of sweets in the jars.

## 100 club

This week we launched our own school lottery where you will have the chance to win substantial cash prizes each half term. If you wish to enter, please complete the form that was sent out earlier this week.



## Royal British Legion

As always we will be supporting the Poppy Appeal by selling items (in a Covid secure way). As well as the traditional paper poppies there will be a limited number of zip pull (50p), Reflector poppy (50p), silicon wristband (£1) and snap band (£1.50). These will go on sale on 3<sup>rd</sup> November



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## Free School Meals

It was disappointing this week that the government decided not to support the Labour motion to extend free school meal provision for the October and Christmas holidays. We know that in the current climate lots of families rely on the food that their children receive at school. Therefore, we have decided to help those families that need it most. We have put together some food packs that have been sent home today. Unfortunately, we cannot afford to do this for all our free school meal children but if you did not receive one and are really struggling, please contact school on Monday or Tuesday next week and we will make sure we help. Our out of hours' mobile numbers are **07810384793** and **07494695917**

## Reading awards

Well done to **Rowan Futter** who has completed 100 reads.



## Pen Licence

Well done to the following for earning a pen licence for consistently displaying the Highfield Standard for presentation: **Adam Rahman, Nikita Overell and Megan Belsevica**



## Learners of the Week

Well done to the following for working hard in their class this week: **Ruby Taylor, Ellenor Clark, Martyna Piorkowska, Sophie Hall, Jack Taylor, Emily Kinloch, Katie Forshaw, Abdur-Raheem Hanif, Hadia Rashid, Tommy Lowe**

## Stars of the Week

The following children have been awarded star of the week for showing respect: **Megan Belsevica Larisa Varga, Munashe Chickoware, Musabbiha Ahmed, Dilawar Khan, Hasaan Ahmed, Ella-Mai Lowe, Muhammed-Hadee Ahmed, Joshua Pascalau, Mathias Barata**

## Happy Birthday

We wished a happy birthday today to **Aleeza Mehmood, Musabbiha Ahmed, Hadia Rashid, Alyssia Carter, Leila Mellett, Oscar Liles, Jacob McGovern, Rhys Clarke, Logan Leniewski, Shyla Robinson-Smith**



## Class Dojo points

**Rowan** class received the most dojos this week with 390. Well done also to **Beech** and **Hazel** who also earned over 300 this week.



Attendance Matters - Whole School Target 96%+ Well Done											
	Ash	Elm	Hazel	Beech	Maple	Pine	Cherry	Rowan	Syc	Willow	Overall
Week	94.4	99.2	97.7	97.7	97.9	97.5	94.5	98.8	97.9	99	97.5
Term	96.2	98.6	97.4	95.8	98.4	95.7	97.9	98.3	96.7	98.2	97.4
Year	96.2	98.6	97.4	95.8	98.4	95.7	97.9	98.3	96.7	98.2	97.4

Well done to Elm class who had 99.2% attendance this week. They have also taken the lead for the term.

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