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Do to others what you would want them to do to you- Matthew 7:12

Friday 15th October 2021

Newsletter No 3

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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been an amazing couple of weeks since my last newsletter. Personal highlights have included spending lots of time in classes monitoring learning and teaching, playing and reading with children outside, working with Year 5 to create some colourful collage Mayan masks, seeing our Year 6s really rise to the occasion of showing visitors around during our Open Morning, receiving such lovely feedback for both of our Open events and enjoying my first Ann Edwards Harvest Festival at All Hallows Church. It was lovely to see so many of you there and to see and hear the children expressing thankfulness in so many different, but all brilliant, ways. Some staff have reported goose bumps and others damp eyes, so we must be doing something right!

Prefects

Congratulations to Olivia R and Chris C, who I am very pleased to say are our new Prefects this year. I would also like to give a huge Well Done to Eliza B and Dylan S who have been appointed as Deputy Prefects. I received a large number of applications and it was a really strong field so they have done particularly well to be awarded these important jobs. I am so pleased that so many Year 6s put themselves forward and were able to confidently share their skills, experiences, aptitudes and ideas for improving the school.

School Council

Democracy is one of the fundamental British Values that we teach and reinforce at Ann Edwards Church of England Primary School. As such, children putting themselves forward for election, campaigning and then classes voting for their representatives is an effective way of embedding this idea and also builds a strong group of pupils who can help move our wonderful school further forward. The school council meets with our Personal, Social and Health Education Coordinator, Mrs Seymour, for half an hour each fortnight. Last year they voted on photography competition winners, helping the PTA decide on a longer-term fundraising project and began reviewing our behaviour rewards system, which the new council will continue this term as well as organising charity events such as Children In Need and raising their own issues. Mrs Horne has kindly volunteered to take over this work when Mrs Seymour begins her maternity leave.

The school councillors this year are:

Yew - The Prefects plus Eliza W and Marley

Sycamore - Felicity and Eva

Oak - Darcie and Tilly

Holly - Summer and Harriet W

Chestnut - Archie and Lola

Beech - Ava and Luke

Bay and Apple Class- Gracie and Harri

Well done everybody! I look forward to seeing the difference I know you will make.



Flu Vaccinations

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 6th November 2021

As flu season is upon us, we will be opening the school on the above date so all pupils from EYFS to Year 6 have an opportunity to receive their annual free flu vaccination.

Finer details around how this will look will be communicated via ParentMail by the end of this term.


Please note this is not mandatory but will help protect your child, family and the school community against the flu.

Reading Bus Volunteers Wanted

Do you have some time that you could help keep our fantastic big red reading bus tidy and organised each week? Just think, you could put 'voluntary librarian' on your CV – how good would that look?! It wouldn't need to be too long, maybe half an hour a couple of times a week after you've dropped off your child/ren or before you pick up, maybe just one slot a week. Please contact the school office if you would like to volunteer.

Thank you for all of your support.

Yours Sincerely



Ian Moore
Headteacher

Key Dates

YR3/4 Sevington Trip	19 th , 20 th and 21 st October
Last day of term	Friday 22 nd October (3.00pm finish)
First day of term	Monday 1 st November
Parents' Evenings telephone consultations	2 nd & 4 th November
Wear Something Bright for Firework Night	5 th November (not Charity event)
Individual Tempest Photos	Monday 8 th November
Staff-run clubs begin (November to February)	Monday 8 th November
Remembrance Sunday (children at Cross)	Sunday 14 th November
Children In-Need	Friday 19 th November
Anti-Bullying Week	15 th -19 th November
iSing Pop! workshops	22 nd -24 th November
iSing Pop! Concert (church)	Wednesday 1 st December (KS1 pm and KS2 evening)
PTA Christmas Fayre	Thursday 2 nd December
Prayer Space Week	wc 6 th December
Christmas Jumper Day and Dinner	Wednesday 15 th December
Church Christmas Service	Thursday 16 th December 9.30am
Last day of term	Friday 17 th December (1.30pm finish)
INSET Day – school closed	Tuesday 4 th January
First day of term	Wednesday 5 th January
Young Voices concert (Birmingham)	Thursday 27 th January
Heart Start Week	14 th -18 th February including skipping workshops 17 th / 18 th February
Last day of term	Friday 18 th February (3pm finish)
Half term	21 st February – 25 th February
World Book Day	Thursday 3 rd March
Parents' Evening	8 th March and 10 th March
Sports Relief/Comic Relief	Friday 18 th March
Class Photos	Monday 21 st March
YR5/6 Easter Experience	Tuesday 29 th March
Prayer Spaces in Class	Monday 4 th April
YR5 Cycling Proficiency	4 th April-8 th April – 25 th -29 th April
Easter Church Service	Wednesday 6 th April 9.30am
Last day of term	8 th April (1.30pm finish)
INSET Day – school closed	Monday 25 th April
First day of term	Tuesday 26 th April



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Art Week	26 th – 19 th April
Bank Holiday	Monday 2 nd May
Yr 4 Braeside residential	4 th -6 th May
Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations	Friday 27 th May
Last day of term	Friday 27 th May (3pm finish)
Half Term	30 th May – 1 st May (3 days)
First day of term	Monday 6 th June
EYFS New parents meeting	Wednesday 15 th June
Sports Day	Wednesday 6 th July
12 th and 14 th July	Yr6 performances to parents
Last day of term	Thursday 21 st July (1.30pm finish) – change of date