



NEWSLETTER

6th November, 2020

Welcome back!

There has been a good return to school despite the second **national lockdown** due to Coronavirus. Please continue to follow the government guidance and continue to **send your children to school**. Scientists tell us this is still the best place for your children. For the vast majority of children, the benefits of being back in the classroom far outweigh the low risk from Coronavirus (cited from the DfE return to school report).

The **whole school risk assessment** has been updated on the school website. I have created a new section called 'Coronavirus' in the Key Information tab on the website. All key documents can be found here. We will continue to update risk assessments following all the guidance from the DfE and Public Health England. If you have any queries or questions, please contact the school office.

We ask our whole school community to follow the new government guidance which includes staying **2m apart, wear a face mask** and to **not gather in groups**. You are able to join with another household for the purposes of childcare if your children are under 13. Please consider this with the collection of your children from school as **no other households should be mixing**.

Christmas card forms should be returned to school no later than **Monday morning**. The designs we have seen so far are excellent and we think they will make super cards.

We have chosen our **House Captains** in school to represent our teams. Well done to:

- Ruby - Jack W as House Captain, Reece O for Vice
- Diamond - Kyle H as House Captain, Kaiden G for Vice
- Sapphire - Sophie D as House Captain, Lacey B for Vice
- Emerald - Alfie N as House Captain, Shyla for Vice

Have a lovely weekend. Best wishes,

Mrs R Keen
Head Teacher

Attendance

Our school attendance this week is **95.85%**. It needs to be more than **96%**.

If your child is too ill to come to school then you should contact the school office before 9.30am either by telephoning 01384 818845 option 1, or by using the absence reporting on ParentMail. Don't forget to tell us the reason for the absence and how long you expect your child to be off.

We are having several children arrive late – children should be in their classroom before 8.55am for the register to be taken. Doors open at 8.30am each morning.

This week's winner is Miss Round's class with full attendance! Well done 1HR. Reception class were a close second with 99.3%

Reception: 99.3%

1HR: 100%

2RW: 96.6%

3SW: 94.7%

3/4LF: 98.1%

4DR: 98.2%

5AWDJ: 97.0%

5/6JA: 91.3%

6AJ: 91.3%

Safeguarding

We all have a **responsibility** for the welfare of our children. If something concerns you about the welfare of a child within school then please contact the class teacher in the first instance who will refer to the Schools

Designated Safeguarding Leads within school. If you have concerns which **are not** school based you can: Call the children's services referral and advice service on **0300 555 0050** during office hours (9am - 5pm). Out of office hours contact the Emergency Duty Team on **0300 555 8574** or in an **emergency call 999**.

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RESPECT

Star Pupils of the Week show our school values of honesty, positive attitude, resilience, respect and caring:

Nursery—George for resilience and giving 100%

Reception—Reggie for resilience in writing

Year 1—Georgina for resilience in learning

Year 2—Daisy May for positive attitude at school

Year 3—Joshua for resilience in reading

Year 3/4—Olivia for resilience towards her learning

Year 4—Holly for a positive attitude to work

Year 5—Kayden for a positive attitude in class

Year 5/6—Oliver for caring by helping new starters to settle in

Year 6—Corey for positive attitude towards his learning

The following children were chosen for an anti-bullying award by the class ambassadors:

Lottie, Skye M, Tailormae, Skye N, Wesley, Macey, Liam, Paige and Kaeden.

HONESTY

We use housepoints at Hurst Hill to reward pupils for following our school rules and values. This week our house point totals are:

Ruby—190
Diamond—139
Emerald—171
Sapphire—167

Well done to this week's winners—Rubies!

CARING

CHILDREN IN NEED

We will be supporting the charity, Children In Need this year. On Friday 13th November, all pupils will be able to attend school wearing non-uniform in exchange for a donation of at least £1. This money can be paid to their class teacher on the day.

The theme this year focuses on wellbeing. Children will be completing a short Joe Wicks workout each morning to highlight the importance of exercise on wellbeing.



RESILIENCE

Currently on TTRS, year 4 are winning against year 5, year 3/4 are beating year 3 whilst year 2 are winning against year 1.

It's all changed at the top! The current top scorers are:

Year 1 and 2—Olivia and Abdullah

Year 3 and 4—Vivaan, Sasha and Aminta

Year 5 and 6—Crystal, Andrew and Charlotte

I can't wait to see who the class winners are next week!

POSITIVE ATTITUDE

This week we have been trying really hard with our reading. There have been some fantastic improvements in classes, well done!

Below is the word count for each class

1HR— 711
2RW - 9,182
3SW - 45,770
3/4LF - 58,412
4DR - 172,425
5AWDJ - 100,435
5/6JA - 127,219
6AJ - 101,028

Century Winners this week are:

- MaryRose in 3SW, Sky in 3/4 and Jenson in 4DR.
- Amrit in 5AWDJ, Holly in 5/6JA and Grace in 6AJ.

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