



FRIDAY 8 February 2019

This week in assembly we have been talking about 'going the extra mile' and working 'above and beyond'. I challenged children to see if they could go above and beyond in their learning and in their actions towards others. I was so impressed when some Year 2 children showed me some impressive home learning they chose to do – well done! I was also impressed to hear some children were choosing to help the lunch time supervisors clear up the hall after the lunch hour – thank you!

Mrs Frampton

Next week, on Valentine's Day, we will be holding a book swap in school. We hope to see you all take part and find some new books to enjoy reading. Read Mrs Hudson's letter for more details.

**Rose, Head Girl and Alfie, Head Boy
Ella, Deputy Head Girl and Liam, Deputy Head Boy**

Staff Training Day – school closed to pupils

As previously published the school is closed on Friday 15th February to pupils for staff training.

Communication

We have had some recent incidents of parents commenting that they are not aware of events in school – please sign up for Twitter (it's free!) as reminders are regularly posted on there!

Search for @mrsfsomerford

We are now up to 36 followers!

There will be a prize for the 50th follower – will it be you?! There will be more prizes for followers to come so spread the word.

Please also check the school website as newsletters and copies of letters to parents are all accessible there. There is also a diary dates page which you may find useful.

Christmas Jumper day for Save the Children

Thank you all for raising £195. We have received a certificate which is displayed in

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School lunch ordering

Any child requiring school lunches for after half term must have them ordered by Thursday 14th February.

We now have most parents signed up to order online and the system is working well – thank you!

If you are still experiencing difficulties, please make an appointment to see Mrs Campbell who is more than happy to get you set up.

Clothes Recycling Bin

By the cycle shed at the front of the school we have a clothing recycling bin. When the bin is emptied, the school gets a commission for the weight of recycling. We therefore earn money from the things you put in the bin!

Please remember the bin if you have any unwanted clothes that you cannot pass on.

Please do not put quilts, pillows or duvets in there as they will not take them and they fill the bin.

Thank you

Number Day

Thank you to all those children who brought their donations for the NSPCC last Friday. We had great fun linking the snow to our maths work! We will let you know how much we raised in the next newsletter.

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all those parents who completed the questionnaire before Christmas.

The winner of the Sanisbury's voucher was Miss Nicol – congratulations!

Please find attached the results of the survey and the comments received.

We will provide updates in future newsletters as to any action we are taking as a result of the survey.

Thank you again for your feedback.

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Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday the whole school learnt about staying safe online whilst exploring the many wonderful things the Internet has to offer. Our school website has lots of resources you can tap in to, to support further discussions at home on this subject.

New arrivals.....

We are very pleased to inform you that Mrs Lucker will be joining our admin team after half term.

The recruitment process started in December with an advert on Dorset for You and we received over 40 applications! We interviewed a very strong field on 15th January and were delighted to appoint Mrs Lucker as our new receptionist.

She is able to start on 25th February and we are very pleased to welcome her to our school team.

We are aware that there has been a petition set up this week for the school to consider appointing a new receptionist. We already have!

Please, please, please come and talk to us if you have any concerns or suggestions. Mr Walsh and Mrs Doherty are outside every day for this very reason. There is also the Parent Coffee Morning where anything can be raised.

We know you will make Mrs Lucker feel very welcome and yes, the phone lines will be open all day from February 25th. In the meantime, the answer phone message does give details of the extension numbers you can dial to reach a member of staff while the main phone lines are not open.

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Attendance

The school's attendance target is 96%.

Whole school – 94.63%
Year 6 – 94.24%
Year 5 – 94.35%
Year 4 – 94.92%
Year 3 – 94.42%
Year 2 – 94.68%
Year 1 – 93.51%

Well done to 34JH, 34RD and 5CC for moving up in our attendance race this week.
After half term we will be holding our next panel meetings – please remember to attend if you receive a letter.

News from our community Messy Church

Thursday 28th February at High Cross Church.
Why not pop along for some craft, a hot meal and a short service in the church.
Only £1 per child. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SafeWise Bournemouth

Join SafeWise Family Tours at Half Term!
18, 19 & 20 February
£5 per person (plus small booking fee) under 4s go free.

Children can sign up as a Junior Safety Inspector to discover how to stay safe, build confidence and learn valuable skills for life this February half term.

The self-guided tour involves solving clues whilst exploring SafeWise's real-life indoor village which includes a road, beach, train, bus, house, co-op shop and other real life scenarios.

There's a certificate & pack for all every child that completes the tour! Refreshments available to buy from our pop-up cafe Crumbs.

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