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## Newsletter - January 2015



Invited children enjoying the December Banquet

Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Welcome back to the Spring term. We have some new members to our team. Mr Raybould is the teacher working with children in Y3 in base 7. Mrs Gibson is working for 3 days and Miss Mushtaq is working 5 afternoons each week in our Nursery. Welcome to the new Nursery children who have joined us for the afternoon sessions. Also welcome to Mrs Kerry Brownhill who was elected as a Parent Governor.

### *Thank you....*

To all the parents and family members who came along to all the assemblies and performances that we held at the end of the autumn term as part of our Christmas celebrations.

We collected £220 for British Legion through donations for poppies and selling commemorative items to children in November. This is the largest amount of money we have ever raised!

### *Well done....*

To the 56 children who were invited to our December Banquet. Each term we invite 4 children from each class who have continually worked hard.

To our "Young Voices Choir", who joined hundreds of other children from the West Midlands to sing at the NIA in Birmingham on Tuesday evening. Well done to the parents who went along and had to battle through the snow to get home.

Parents used our free text link [Follow WilliamRPrimary on 86444](#) to keep connected so they weren't standing out in the cold for too long. It was a late night (people arrived home between 10.45 and 11.30) and children were still in school the next morning!

The league table of Y6 children's results for Telford & Wrekin schools was published in the Shropshire Star, just before we broke up in December. The table showed how well our children in Y6 had performed in the SATs compared to children in other schools in Telford & Wrekin. We were 14<sup>th</sup> out of 49 schools in terms of the percentage of children achieving level 4 in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

This is a reflection of the continued hard work of parents, children, staff and governors.

To everyone who is working with us to reach our target of 96% attendance for the year. We have made good start. The attendance for the Autumn term was 95.94%.

### Our global theme for this term

This term's theme for school assemblies and citizenship is "**Reach for the Stars**" (yes we did listen to SClub7 in assembly last week). This theme will focus on developing children's aspirations for the future. Subject leaders in school have been asked to lead assemblies to raise awareness of how a strength or interest in their subject area can be used in different careers. Our children display a range of talents which can be used to develop their future careers.

This term we will be focusing on 2 of our Secrets to Success.



Push Yourself	Understanding Others
<b>Successful people</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Push themselves.</li> <li>• Fight their fears.</li> <li>• Ask for help.</li> <li>• Listen to others who care.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Think about others.</li> <li>• Listen to the views of others.</li> <li>• Reflect.</li> <li>• Evaluate their own work.</li> </ul>

This term 4 children from each class base who demonstrate that they are working hard to develop these skills will be invited to a **Mad Hatter's Tea Party** on Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> March.

### ***Parents are invited in to join their children for lunch***

This is back by popular demand but there is difference....

We are inviting parents in on a Friday this term to sample our fish and chip lunch.

Parents of children in Reception and older Nursery children - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 11.30am

Parents of children in Y1 and Y2 - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 11.30am

Parents of children in Y3/4 - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 12.15pm

Parents of children in Y5/Y6 - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 12.15pm

The cost of a child's lunch is £2.00

The cost of an adult lunch is £2.85

We look forward to seeing you then.

### ***Day-time - meetings for teachers and parents***

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January - Base 1 and 2 (Mrs Nutt and Miss Smith)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February - Base 3 and 4 (Mrs Gore and Miss Chadwick)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March - Base 9 and 10 (Miss Bull and Mr Wood)

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Base 13 and 14 (Mrs Bowen and Miss Blud)

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March - Base 7 and 8 (Mr Raybould and Miss Buckton)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Base 11 and 12 (Mr Tagg and Mrs Langham)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Base 5 and 6 (Mrs Lakin and Miss Jones)

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March - Base 11 and 12 (Mrs Halsey and Mrs Langham)

### **Checking for Head Lice**

As a community we will not get rid of head lice but we do need to work together to reduce the number of incidents. Parents and carers have the responsibility for detecting infections and should be checking for head lice at least once a week. In doing this you will support each other. Head lice are spread by head to head contact so children usually pass them on to their closest friends!

Dates for your diary - we will be entering these dates onto the diary on our web site. A copy of all newsletters can be found on the school website. Further details about start times for some of the events will be sent out to you nearer to the date.

Date	Year group	Event
pm 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Y1 and Y2	Theatre group in school "Calculating Mister One" - drama with a mathematics theme.
Pm 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Afternoon nursery	Parents invited in for a coffee and information session
30 <sup>th</sup> January	Reception	Theatre visit "Room on Broom"
pm 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Y3	Visit from Shropshire Fire Service
pm 4 <sup>th</sup> February	All parents	Parent workshop to look at Internet Safety for your children
am 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents of children in Y1	Phonics workshop to help you in supporting your child's reading and writing

Week beginning 9 <sup>th</sup> February	All children	Internet safety week and cyberbullying awareness
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Y3	Theatre group in " Sticks and Stones" - Bullying awareness
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Y6 - base 14	Pizza making at "Frankie and Bennies"
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Y6 - base 13	Pizza making at "Frankie and Bennies"
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Nursery children	A 6 week programme beginning for Birmingham Repertory Theatre working with child in Nursery - Let's pretend.
After school 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Y1 - Y3 Y4 - Y6	Valentine's Disco
Week beginning 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	All children	Book fair all week to link with "World Book Day"
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y3	Visit to Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre
am 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 base 6	Parents invited into school to your child's mathematics lesson
am 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 base 5	Parents invited into school to your child's mathematics lesson
pm 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2	Parents mathematics workshop
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4	Children working in the "Cooking Bus"
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 parents	<b>9.15 am</b> - SATs information sessions for parents/carers of children in Y6 <b>5.00 pm</b> repeat session
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y6	Residential visit to Arthog Outdoor Pursuits Centre in Wales

Half term - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Easter holidays - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2015

PD day Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2015

