

Newsletter

Autumn term

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9th October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another couple of weeks since our last newsletter has flown past and it is lovely to catch a glimpse of the sunshine after all the torrential rain of late. This rather inclement weather has led us to review how we store wellies and forest school clothing so that the children are able to use them whenever they have the opportunity. Please bear with us; new wellie boot racks are in process and will be completed as soon as possible. We are also aware of the rather muddy entrance at Gate 4 and are addressing the issue.

I am very proud of how well the children are working and it is lovely to see their confidence shining through as I visit the classes. Our attendance across the school is very good, Kingfishers class have been delighted to have the opportunity to host Charlie, our attendance Bear, for the last 3 weeks. However, this week, they have been pipped at the post by Kestrels who have achieved 100% attendance. Well done!

Thank you very much for adhering to the drop off and collection times for each year group and helping to keep everyone safe. I appreciate that it may not be the most convenient timings for some families, but it is really important that we minimise congestion and crossing of bubbles wherever possible.

It was fantastic to see so many children wearing yellow today to show recognition of the great work that Young Minds do to support children's mental health and well-being. Thank you.

Polite reminder: the car park at the front of the school is for staff and disabled access, please use the large car park at the side of the school unless you have a blue badge.

Kind regards

Karen Headland

Attendance

A big well done to Kingfishers class last week with 100% attendance and to Kestrels class this week with 100% attendance. Whole school attendance is 96.7% but we are aiming for 98%.

Diary Dates

23rd October—Last day before half term break



2nd November- Teacher training day school closed to all pupils

3rd November- First day back to school for all pupils

4th November- Care club bookings open until today

W/C 9th November—Flu immunisations (more information to follow)

18th December—Last day of term before Christmas break

4th January- Teacher training day school closed to all pupils

<u>Absences</u>

If your child is going to be off school please ensure that you phone in to the office on <u>each</u> <u>day of their absence before 9.15am</u>. There is an option when you call in to leave a message on the answerphone, which is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week, if you choose this option please state your child's name, class and reason for their absence. Alternatively you are more than welcome to phone in and speak to the office directly. Can we please remind you that if your child is absent from school for 3 days or more you may be asked to provide medical evidence to support their absence.



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