



# October Newsletter 2

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are at the end of our first half term of the year and have achieved so much to celebrate already. Lots of exciting learning has taken place and the children and staff are all focused on working towards our vision of being 'a community of inspiration, aspiration and enrichment.'

Our MacMillan Coffee Morning and end of school cake sale was a big success, we sold every cake that had been donated (and could have sold more!) The donations received came to a total of £220, this is the most we have ever raised for MacMillan. Thank you to everyone who donated money and cakes and particular thanks to Mrs Sumner and the house captains for organising the event.

Our harvest collection for the Foodbank was also a great success. In total we received 1119 individual food items which filled 30 crates when the van arrived to collect it. We were told that 10 crates of food usually provide a meal for 100 families; so our collection should be able to provide a meal for 300 families. This is a fantastic achievement for our school community, everyone played their part in making this our best harvest collection yet. Congratulations to Phoenix house who worked together to bring in the most items and received 1000 house points, Pegasus came second and received 500 points, Dragon was third getting 250 points and Griffin were fourth receiving 100 points.

After half term we will be selling poppies and other items for Remembrance Day as we have in previous years. For the poppies, we ask for a donation; for the other items there is a set price. Wristbands and reflectors are 50p and friendship bracelets and snap bands are £1.

Have a great half term week.

Mrs S. Pecheur  
Head Teacher

## Attendance News

For the week 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> October the following classes achieved above our 97% target: RD, RH, 1B, 1J, 1CH, 2W, 3B, 3H, 4F, 4K, 5A and 5JB. The best classes that week were 3H and 4F both with a brilliant 100%. Our overall school attendance was 96.9% which is just below our 97% target. The classes with the fewest number of lates were RH and 4SF both with no lates across the week – well done!

For the week 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> October the following classes achieved above our 97% target: RD, RH, RR, 1B, 1J, 2C, 2T, 2W, 3A, 4F, 4SF, 5A, 5JB, 5B and 6M. The best classes that week were RH and 4F both with 100% - well done! Our overall school attendance was 97.8% which is above our 97% target. The classes with the fewest number of lates were RD, RH, 4SF and 6R all with no lates across the week.

Remember to check out our website [www.wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk](http://www.wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk)



## Dates for your Diary

<u>October</u>	<u>December</u>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> return to school after half term	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Theatre trip - 101 Dalmatians Years 2 & 5
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November Rights Respecting School Week	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Theatre trip - 101 Dalmatians Years 1 & 4
<u>November</u>	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Theatre trip 101 Dalmatians Years 3 & 6
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> at 9am Class 4SF Assembly	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Play
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Timezone Romans for Year 4	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Key Stage 1 Christmas Play
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Bonfire Night Lunch	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Key Stage 1 Christmas Play
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Timezone Greeks for Year 5	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Reception Nativity
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Open session for prospective Reception parents	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Reception Nativity
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> 1CH to Aston Hall	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Wheelies Christmas Event
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> at 9.30am Open session for prospective Reception parents	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm Key Stage 2 Concert
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Year 5 residential group 1	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Key Stage 2 Concert
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> E-safety performance for Years 2-6	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> Year 5 residential group 2	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Key Stage 2 Concert
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Reception Reading Workshop	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Christmas Parties
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> 1J and 1B to Aston Hall	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> theatre group for Nursery and Reception
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Class 6S Assembly	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> at 12pm Break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Anti bullying week	<u>January 2018</u>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November Stringcredibles performance for Key Stage 2	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Flu immunisation Reception – Year 4	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Term begins for children
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Class 6R Assembly	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> at 9am 3H Class Assembly
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> 'Trompos' session for Year 6	<u>February</u>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> at 9am Class 6M Assembly	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> at 9am 3B Class Assembly
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Young Shakespeare in for Year 6	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> at 9am 3A Class Assembly
	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Children finish for half term

### Attendance Week News

Last week we had a fantastic Attendance Week with lots of children trying hard to be in school and on time every day. We were very pleased that 87% of all of the children in school achieved this goal and received their reward on Monday. This gave us our best week of attendance and punctuality since the start of the school year. On Thursday we had only 4 children absent in the whole school, which is fantastic. We hope now that the good habits for attendance and punctuality will continue, so that all children are maximising their learning time in school.

### Christmas Holidays

You will have noticed from the diary section on each of our newsletters since September, that we break up for Christmas holidays on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December and children will be finishing school at 12pm on that day. Children will not have lunch in school on that day, so if you pay for school meals, please deduct this cost from your weekly or half termly payment. Pizza day will be on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December instead, so for children who only have a school meal on Pizza day, there will be 8 meals to pay for next half term.

### Old pound coins

As stated in the text sent out earlier this week, we are no longer able to accept old pound coins in payments made to school.

### Lost Property

Please check the lost property box in the playground for any items your child may have lost. Any items left at half term will be recycled or disposed of.



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