

# Newsletter - 15th November 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

Where is the time going! With Christmas fast approaching please check you know all the dates for different events in school, the dates are in the calendar below. Details of the Disco will be sent out next week. We have also added the 'Party Day' on Thursday 14th December, children can wear party clothes to school on this day.

As you know we have reviewed and made some changes to our school behaviour policy. We would really value parent feedback on this before it is finalised. Please see attached our draft new policy. The main changes are:

- We now have 3 consistent behaviour values— Ready, Respectful, Safe
- The focus is more on recognising positive behaviour as much as possible to really promote the expected behaviour
- The rainbow has been replaced with a variety of positive approaches including positive notes, headteacher notes, celebration assembly, and hot chocolate Friday which is half termly. We also use a board in the classroom to notice and praise the children using the right learning behaviour.
- The raincloud which was previously used as a 'formal consequence' for negative behaviour has been replaced with a 'restorative approach' which follows a set of steps to support children to think and learn about how their behaviour affects other. Staff will support children with this. This approach is used across many schools and is proven to effectively support behaviour with children.

Please have read the policy and if you have any comments or questions you have about the policy please email them through to the office email. Many thanks for your time on this.

At the end of last half term we had our first 'Hot Chocolate Friday' which will become an end of half term treat for chosen children. The children chosen for this are those who **always** do the right thing and **always** show our behaviour values **Ready, Respectful, Safe. Well done to Benji, Millie, Annabelle and Mia in year 2, Lucia, Ronnie, Dollie and Noah in year 1, Colson, Ralph, George and Aria in Reception.** This is one of the positive rewards we have introduced, along with our positive notes, to continue to promote high standards of behaviour across the school. Mrs Lucy Whiffin

## Children in Need—Friday 17th November

This Friday we will be raising money for Children in Need. If children would like to, they may come to school in non-school uniform, spotty clothes, or something colourful or Pudsey themed, and bring a monetary donation of your choice. All funds raised will go to Children in Need.



## Read with Me

This is an opportunity for parents to come into school to read a book with their child which really helps to promote a love of reading. We will be alternating the time so more parents can attend. We will have one session at 3.00pm and one at 8.50am and the session is for 15 minutes. If you have more than one child you can choose to either read in a shared space (hall) with both children or take one of your children to the other child's classroom.

## Dates for your Diary

### November

Friday 17th November—Children in Need

Monday 20th November—Read with me @ 3.00pm All year groups

Thursday 30th November—PTA Christmas Shopping day (More info to follow)

### December

#### Year 2 Christmas Performances:

Tuesday 5th December @ 2.30pm or Wednesday 6th December @ 9.00am

#### Year 1 Christmas Performances:

Wednesday 6th December @ 2.30pm or Thursday 7th December @ 9.00am

#### Reception Christmas Celebration:

Thursday 7th December @ 2.45pm or Friday 8th December @ 9.00am

Friday 8th December—Christmas Jumper Day/Chocolate tombola donations

Wednesday 13th December—Year 1 and year 2 Disco (More info to follow)

Wednesday 13th December—Chartwells Christmas Dinner—*Children can wear Christmas Jumpers again on this day.*

Thursday 14th December—CHRISTMAS PARTY DAY—new date, children to come to school in home clothes/party clothes

Thursday 14th December—Chocolate Tombola PTA fundraising event

Friday 15th December—Last Day of Term

#### Remaining INSET DAYS 2023—2024:

Monday 30th October 2023 Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 19th February 2024 Monday 3rd June 2024

## Forest School Dates

### Year 1 morning session

Thursday 16th November—Hedgehogs Class

Thursday 23rd November—Owls Class

Thursday 30th November—Hedgehogs Class

Thursday 7th December—Owls Class

### Year 2 afternoon session

Thursday 16th November—Squirrels Class

Thursday 23rd November—Badgers Class

Thursday 30th November—Squirrels Class

Thursday 7th December—Badgers Class

