

# **RLI News**

## 4th November 2022

Children have had a wonderful week back in school. We hope you all enjoyed your half term break. The children have settled well back in to school and have all begun their new learning with great enthusiasm. Before half term, we invited parents to complete a parent questionnaire. Thank you to all who responded we have spent time looking through these and over the next few weeks we will be sharing the things you have said and what we plan on doing about them.

This week...

You said...

"It would be great to know more about how well our children are doing in school."

Our school rules of **Ready**, **Respectful** and **Safe** will be explored lots in the next few weeks. Our School Council Team have been asked to think of ways of showing what these rules look like, sound like and feel like in our school.

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begin to share more on the newsletter about individual successes in school. Children are given green tokens, golden bricks, celebration assembly on a Friday morning. We will be sending these Golden Bricks home more frequently and encouraging children to build their own golden wall at home with the bricks they collect. We will also be introducing Wonderful Wednesday Lunch with myself and Mrs Duncan, children will be invited for lunch with us on a Wednesday if we've seen amazing behaviour in the week at school. We are also bringing back the jar of wonderfulness! This is where children and staff can be nominated for a special mention for going above and beyond during our time in school.

## Dates for your diary

9th November—Roast Dinner Day 10th and 11th November—HSBC Money Sessions in school

11th November—Armistice Day Parade 15th November—Mayor visit to school to share stories

18th November—Children in Need—Children can wear something spotty into school w.b. 21st November—Anti Bullying Week 24th November—Open Evening for New Reception Starters in 2023

2nd December—Health Visitors in Reception 8th December—Christmas Jumper Day 13th December—Christmas Nativity—EYFS Parents will be invited for either 9:30am or 2pm. Information will follow shortly about this. 14th December—KS1 Christmas Service at the

15th December—EYFS Christmas Service in school

## PE Days after Half Term

Children' PE days will be staying the same.

Reception—Tuesday

Year 1—Wednesday and Friday

Year 2—Monday and Thursday

Children must wear PE Kit to school on these days. Our PE Kit is a plain white T-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms/ leggings. As it's getting colder children will need a red school jumper / cardigan with their PE Kit. Jewellery must be removed where possible. If earrings can't be removed please provide tape and we will help the children put this on.

#### Attendance

Attendance has been wonderful this week in school and we are all getting used to the earlier starting time of the school day.



**SAM** (School Attendance Matters) is going to the winning class... Swan Class

**OTIS** (On Time in School) is spending the week with

the winning class Cygnet Class.

This week's Whole School Attendance is **94.45%** We are aiming for a target of 96%.

## Music of the Week



This week the children have been listening to Music from the Royal Fireworks by George Frederic Handel.

Children will continue to listen to a different piece of music each week

#### **Good News**

We were told by Tescos this week that we have been successful in our Blue Token bid. The money from this will be used for our Year 1 Explorers Project to develop the Year 1 playground. We'll update you as we can about this project.

Thank you for all of your help in making this possible!

## Keep up to date

We will be regularly updating our website and Facebook page with things that are happening in school. Please make sure the office have your permission slips back to say whether photos can be shared.

www.raceleysinfant.com

Search on Facebook for Race Leys Infant School, like and follow us.

## Governors

There is an exciting opportunities to join our Governing body. We currently have a vacancy on the Governing body for a co-opted governor. If you are interested and are committed to supporting us to make a difference in the children's lives please contact Claire Davies, Chair of Governors: dvies.c11@welearn365.com or admin2614@welearn365.com.

## **Book Shop**

We are lucky in our school to have our very own Book Shop. Children are invited to save money that they can spend towards a book from our book shop. This is open on a Wednesday and the children each have a time to visit this within the day. They should all have their purple saving cards and can bring in as much or as little as you'd like to start saving towards this book. Can we ask that the money comes in to school in either a named envelope or little bag. We will provide small savings pots for the children bringing money in to make this easier to collect.

#### Communication in school

You said...

"It would be useful to build up opportunities to communicate about school life.

Communication between school and parents is vital in helping the children thrive in school. We aim to respond to emails within 48 working hours. If you need to speak urgently with a teacher can we ask you to catch them at the door at the end of the school day, or call the school office to request they call you. Please be mindful that in the morning our priority is ensuring the children come in to school settled and ready for learning.

I will include the staff emails below again should you need them.

## **Cygnet Class**

Mrs Langtree— langtree.j@welearn365.com

#### **Moorhen Class**

Mrs Hamer-Hodges—hamer-hodges.j@welearn365.com Mrs Sewell— sewell.k@welearn365.com

#### Swan Class

Miss Bickle—bickle.c@welearn365.com

## Gosling Class

Miss Power— power.h2@welearn365.com

#### Heron Class

Mrs Gurr— gurr.k@welearn365.com

#### Goose Class

Mr Lidbetter—Lidbetter.j1@welearn365.com

## School Office

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## Celebrating Our Learning

#### Fireworks!

This week in school we have all explored fireworks. Key Stage 1 have been reading, writing and performing poetry. They have had to think hard about what they can see, hear and feel during Bonfire Night. Some classes had to think about what the fireworks might do or how they move!

## Class Pages

Please look on the school website and Facebook this weekend and we will upload some of Year 1's wonderful poetry.









Our Early Years Learners have explored the sounds and sights of fireworks. They have made their own sparklers and had a wonderful bonfire party with biscuits, hot chocolate and marshmallows!











## Firework Safety

All of our children have explored the importance of firework safety. We have talked about staying with our adults, wrapping up warm and holding sparklers safely.

We hope you enjoy this weekend and have a fun and safe Bonfire Night.



