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Our School Community Newsletter!



Autumn A - Week 6 - Friday 12th October 2018



Thoughts for the Week

Rather than *beautiful*,
call your daughters
strong, wise, creative,
dependable, capable,
and a *leader, kind,*
curious, logical.

Rather than just *strong*,
call your sons *nurturing,*
kind, cooperative,
helpful, lovely, gentle,
and *respectful*



Harvest Festival Celebrations



The children are really excited to warmly welcome you to this year's Harvest Festival. It is on Thursday 25th October and starts at 2.00pm prompt in the school hall. Everyone is welcome but we do respectfully request that if a baby or child in the audience gets upset or noisy, that they are brought out to the office area to settle them. This helps ensure that every child on the stage can be heard and seen. Due to space restrictions, we also request that prams and pushchairs are left outside. Thank you for your support in this.

Because it is a Harvest festival, we are requesting donations of non-perishable food which in turn will be donated to our local food bank - The Kingfisher Food bank. They have requested donations of the following...

- Milk (UHT or powdered)
- Cartons of squash or fruit juice

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- Pasta/curry sauces
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned meat or fish
- Tinned vegetables/potatoes
- Sugar
- Rice pudding/custard
- Dried rice/savoury rice
- Biscuits and snacks

They also urgently need donations of toilet roll, shampoo, deodorant, shower gel, toothpaste and washing powder. Please bring any donations into school from next Monday 15th October ready for the Harvest display on 25th. Thank you in advance for your kind and generous donations.



Remembrance Assembly



Our Remembrance assembly is on Friday 9th November at 2.00pm. In preparation for this, we are hoping to make a display of poppies using the base of plastic water/pop bottles as shown in the photo below. Please send any empty bottles into school over the next couple of weeks so we can begin creating our display. Many thanks.



Sponsored Fitness Trail



Thank you to everyone who has sent their sponsored money in. Please send it in on Monday if you are yet to do so. Thank you for your support in this.

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PTFA Helping Hands

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered for the stall at the Coleshill Town Council Christmas Fair on Thursday 29th November. We would still like at **least** 5 Helping Hands volunteers to man the stall in 1 hour shifts. The shifts are...

3.30pm - 4.30pm

4.30pm - 5.30pm

5.30pm - 6.30pm

6.30pm - 7.30pm

7.30pm - 8.30pm

The role would be selling 3 tickets for £1.00 and then rolling the tombola drum for the customers to pick out three tickets. Check to see if they are a winner and give them the book if they are! The stall will be fully prepared and ready at 3.30pm ready for the first Helping Hands to take over. We hope to see lots of support for this, our first foray into working with Coleshill Town Council. We will then use the proceeds from this event to buy the children's Christmas presents from Santa for the class Christmas parties. Please e-mail Mrs Eling (admin2569@welearn365.com) if you (and a friend if you wish) can man the stall for one (or more) of the sessions. Thank you in advance.



As previously communicated, we are thrilled to be offering a brand new Magical After-School Maths Club for children in Years 1 and 2. Today the children learnt all about what happens in Maths Club when the 'Professor' came along for an introductory assembly.

The club will run from 3.00pm - 4.00pm on the following dates 08/11/2018, 15/11/2018, 22/11/2018, 29/11/2018 and 06/12/2018. The cost is £39.99 for the 5 sessions and will need to be paid in full to reserve your child's space. The spaces will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis (12 spaces available) and will be based on when the online payment is made. This club is run by an outside provider so payment needs to be made direct to them. Please follow the link below...



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Reception Robins Phonics Workshop



Mrs Howells will be running the Reception Phonics Workshop for parents on Tuesday 16th October from 2.30pm - 3.00pm in the Reception classroom. This first workshop is essential in you gaining an understanding of how we teach your child to read and write in reception. Mrs Howells will share strategies for how to support your child during this period of rapid learning and growth and answer any queries you may have. We do hope you can make the workshop however we will upload the information onto the Reception page of the school website after the workshop.



School Council



A HUGE thank you to all of the families who have sent boxes in for the Blue Cross. Your kindness and generosity has been overwhelming! The Blue Cross came and collected the boxes on Friday; it's lovely to think that there will be lots of very happy pets receiving gifts over the weekend!



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Our High Meadow Superstars!



Here at High Meadow we know the importance of rewarding and recognizing the fantastic efforts your children go to, to be the best they can possibly be. The awards shown below were awarded on Thursday. So.....drum roll please...

Bees Knees Award 27/09/18 and 11/10/18



Our 'Bee's Knees' award is awarded weekly to one child in each class who has behaved in a way in which we feel exemplifies our school code of conduct.

YEAR 1 Dylan	YEAR 2 Dylan
YEAR 1 Maisy	YEAR 2 Lily-Grace

Cats Whiskers Award 27/09/18 and 11/10/18



Our 'Cat's Whiskers' award is awarded weekly to one child in each class who has produced a piece of work which shows they have worked to the very best of their ability.

YEAR 1 Jacob	YEAR 2 Millie
YEAR 1 Harry	YEAR 2 Leo-Jae



Our Weekly STAR WRITER award



Achieving a very high standard of writing takes a lot of hard work as it involves first of all thinking what to write, saying it out loud to make sure it makes sense, actually writing it using the correct spelling and punctuation and then checking it all to make sure it make sense....gosh it's exhausting! Our fantastic STAR WRITERS for this week are...

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Year Group	STAR WRITER
Year 1 Blackbirds 27/09/18	Theo
	Pippa
Year 1 Blackbirds 12/10/18	Poppy
	Ollie
Year 2 Barn Owls 27/09/18	Evie
	Antoni
Year 2 Barn Owls 12/10/18	Brooke
	Lola



Educational Events and Activities



Date	Time & place	Event
Wednesday 17 th October	9.00am - 4.00pm 10 minute appointments	Year 1 parent consultations
Friday 19 th October	All day	Y1 visit to a farm
Wednesday 24 th October	9.00am - 4.00pm 10 minute appointments	Y2 parent consultations
Thursday 25 th October	2.00pm In school hall	Whole school Harvest Festival
Friday 26 th October	All day	Teacher training day
Monday 29 th October - Friday 2 nd November	All week	October half term
Monday 5 th November - Monday 10 th December (inc)	3.00pm - 4.00pm In Y2 classroom	15 x Y2 children Relax Kids Workshops
Wednesday 7 th November	6.00pm - 7.15pm	Parents Maths workshops
Friday 9 th November	2.00pm	Whole school Remembrance Assembly
Sunday 11 th November	Time tbc	Coleshill Remembrance Parade
Monday 12 th November	All day	Children's individual and class photos taken
Friday 16 th November	All day	Children In Need Day
Monday 3 rd December	From today	Christmas Post Box opens for children's cards
Friday 7 th December	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Christmas Fair

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Friday 14 th December	2.00pm 5.00pm	Whole school Christmas performances (2 tickets per family)
Tuesday 18 th December	From 1.00pm in the classrooms	Class Christmas parties
Wednesday 19 th December	12.00pm - 1.00pm	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 20 th December	Morning and afternoon	Christmas trip to the theatre
Friday 21 st December	Last day of term	

Christmas holidays from Monday 24th December 2018 - Friday 4th January 2019

Teacher training day - Monday 7th January

Children back in school - Tuesday 8th January

Important note - please be aware that these dates and times are subject to change. Please read the weekly newsletters for most up-to-date information. Class trips and visits will be communicated separately.



Attendance - 'Every Child Attending Every Day'



Good attendance (97%+) is key to academic success and missing just one or two days each half term can have a detrimental impact on a child's learning and progress. The LA may send out fines to families who are deemed to be 'persistently absent'. Our Attendance Policy can be found on our school website if you need further clarification. Our target for this year is 97%. This week we achieved a FANTASTIC 99.9%, well done everyone! Please remember ANY requests for holiday leave during term time **will not** be granted.

How does your child compare?

Attendance during one school year	equals this number of days absent	which is approximately this many weeks absent	which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons

Position	% attendance	Class
JOINT FIRST PLACE	100%	YR Robins
JOINT FIRST PLACE	100%	Y1 Blackbirds
THIRD PLACE	99.7%	Y2 Barn Owls

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Our Golden Rule focus for this half term is



'We are kind and helpful, we don't hurt anybody's feelings'

Our Value for this half term is 'GENEROSITY'

Our Personal, Social and Emotional 'Jigsaw' theme for this half term is

'Being Me in My World'

We are learning to...

- Help others to feel welcome
- Help make our school community a better place
 - Think about everyone's right to learn
 - Care about other people's feelings
 - Work well with others
 - Choose to follow the Golden Rules

We hope you all have a lovely and restful weekend,
Kindest regards

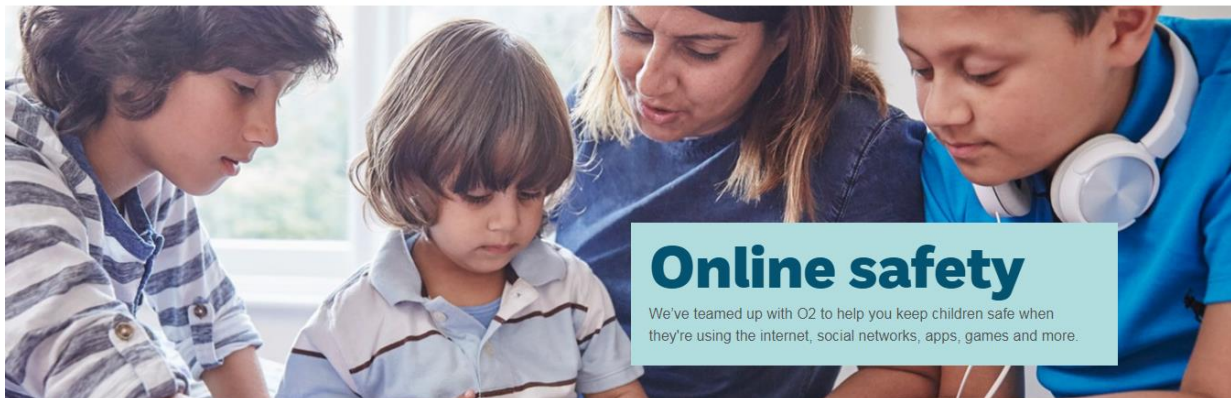
Mrs Debby Hughes - Head teacher head2569@welearn365.com

Mr Jonathan Smith - Chair of Governors governors2569@welearn365.com

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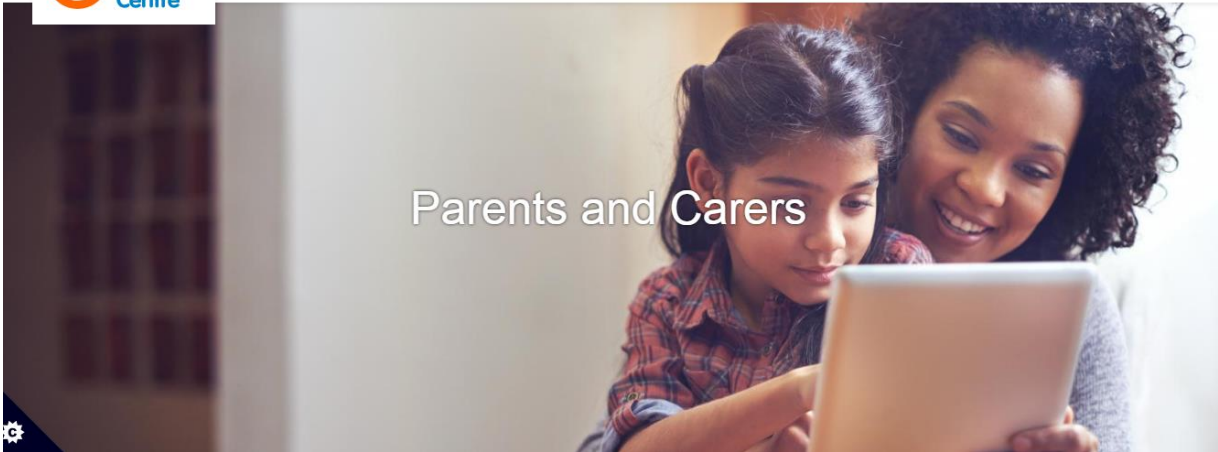
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