

Dear Parents,

This week in our collective worship, we have been focusing on our attitudes towards others. We shared Aesop's fable *The Lion and the Mouse* and revisited the parable of The Good Samaritan, reflecting together on why the mouse and the Samaritan chose to help and what that means to us and how we choose to behave.

We were also delighted to announce our Eco Council for this year: Oliver, Lacey, Kyle, Edie, Beatrice, Lorilee, Phoenix and Henry. They are already off to a strong start by celebrating the environmental benefits of the PTA's recent initiative 'Little Recyclers' raising money for the school and reducing textile waste, minimising landfill pollution. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed — together we raised a fantastic £159.30.

Thank you also to the parents who have already completed the OPAL parent survey sent out yesterday. Staff and pupil surveys will also be carried out over the coming weeks. The parent survey will stay open for two weeks, to complete it please follow the link: https://forms.gle/xBuGzGaodT3P9pBB8.

Finally, we've added lots of new dates to the school calendar, including sports events, PTA activities, and our Harvest celebrations — please do take a look so you don't miss out.

Wishing you all lovely weekend,

**Nadia Gosling** 



Headteacher Award Emily T, Evelyn Well Done!



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#### **Diary dates**

- 26th September—PTA Café
- 29th September—Whitelands Academy Visiting Yr5/6
- 30th September—Flu Vaccinations
- 1st October—Yr5/6 Victorian School Day
- 3rd October—Yr3/4 Living Rainforest Trip
- 9th October KS2 Cross Country event at The Cooper School
- 10th October—Harvest Service in school
- 13th October—Yr5/6 Harvest Tea for invited members of the community
- 20th October—Parents Evening
- 23 October—KS1 Football Festival
- 23rd October—Parents Evening
- 24th October—Inset Day
- 27th-31st October—Half Term
- 4th November—PTA AGM
- 6th November— Y3&4 Girls Football Festival
- 14th November—PTA Nonuniform day
- 14th November—PTA Winter
  School Disco



#### **Class Attendance Winner**

This week's best attended class is FSU with:

100% attendance

## Whole school attendance 95%

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:45. It makes such a difference!

#### **Breakfast Club & CAST**

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.45am

8:30am-8:45am

Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.45am

CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm or

3.15pm-5.30pm.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club or CAST, please book a place using the Arbor app. You do not need to book for Drop & Play.

All clubs are open to Reception through to Year 6 children only. If you could please try to get your clubs booked by **Midday Friday** for the week ahead, so that snacks can be arranged. As our numbers are increasing, we may not be able to accept last minute bookings due to the adult ratio's required. Bookings made after 12pm on Friday will incur a £2 late booking fee per session booked.

Please also be mindful of pick up times, if you are late picking up your child you will be charged for the later session.

#### **ECO COUNCIL**

Thank you for your donations to the little recyclers!



#### **PTA**

Come and grab a cuppa and cake after school today at the PTA Café! We'll look forward to seeing you there!



We have some exciting events coming up—please see the school Diary Dates. More info to follow...

#### **FSU**

We have had a brilliant week looking at all things harvest. On Monday, we visited Mr Butler's allotment and farm shop. It was lovely to see all of the fruits and vegetables he is growing. When we came back to school some of the children decided to create their own allotment in our outdoor area. We also had an art lesson printing with the vegetables we had bought.



Year 3 & 4

In Year 3&4 the children did an amazing job writing a 'portal narrative' to conclude our English work, based around the picture book called **The Journey**. They all tried to include descriptions involving senses, adjectives and prepositions that we have learnt about in lessons. They focused so hard and well, that afterwards, we went outside for a parachute game to expend some energy-which everyone took part in with great enthusiasm!





#### Year 1 & 2

We have been really enjoying outdoor time this week in Year 1/2 while the sun is till shining! We went outside to conduct a Science experiment about what could affect how well we hear a whistle. We made predictions and wrote down results about the sound of the whistle from close by, far away, and with and without something covering our ears. We have also started to work on ball skills in PE, and the children were learning about being 'attackers' and 'defenders' in Netball, dodging to receive different types of passes.

Year 5 & 6

This week in science, we explored shadows. Using the words opaque, transparent and translucent, we found out that opaque objects make shadows and that we can change the size of the shadow depending on its distance from the light source. We made puppets and created a shadow puppet show!





### Safeguarding

Please contact Mrs Gosling or Mrs Clarke should you have any safeguarding concerns.

# **Forest School**















