



**9th October 2020**

**„Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself“**

**Message from Mrs Procter**



This afternoon I held the interviews for the role of Heads and Deputies. All of the children who applied for the positions presented themselves very professionally and did an amazing job, it was clear to see the effort that they had made in preparing for their interview- they should be very proud of themselves!! This year our Head Boy is Kieran Holmes and Head Girl is Milly Macmaster. Michael Phelan is Deputy Head Boy and Libby Wilson is Deputy Head Girl.



Please could we ask that if your child has a social media account such as What's App, Instagram, Snapchat or Facebook that you regularly check its content. Unfortunately issues occurring outside of school on these platforms can overspill into school life and can have a negative effect on our children's mental health. Can I remind all parents that these sites are recommended for children aged 13 and above.

## Weekly Reflection

### **Ethos Statement – I can laugh and have fun**

None of us were around when God made the world but some wise men who wrote a book in the Old Testament called the Book of Wisdom described God as playing and having fun when God was making the world. The Bible tells us that we are made in God's image and likeness. In other words, we are to be like God. Having fun and laughing is being like God. There are many stories in the Bible about Jesus eating and drinking and going to parties with his friends. Jesus liked to laugh and have fun too!!

They often say that laughter is like the best medicine. It can cheer us up when we are feeling down and it makes us feel like ourselves again. Even when we are busy and running around trying to get lots of things done, we need to remember how God wants us to enjoy ourselves too. He knows that it will make us feel better.

The following children have shown they can laugh and have fun this week.

FCB – Rory Coffin  
FCB – Delilah Frost  
FEM – Mollie Stott  
FEM – Jacob Keane

1HW – Annie Battle  
1HW – Sammy Smith  
1SH – Pearl Frost  
1SH – Henry Nicholas

2RL – Asher Gati  
2RL – Edward Smith  
2HS – Liam O'Toole  
2HS – Arthur Greenwood

3AD – Henry Green  
3AD – Georgina O'Neill  
3EJ – Lily Tryzbinska  
3EJ – Lucas Limb

4AY – Lewis McWha  
4AY – Lara Cavanagh  
4DJ – Amelia Hughes  
4DJ – Adam Salter

5HK – Sophie Morris  
5HK – Orlagh Patten  
5RM – Ted Burton  
5HK – Sofia Henckens

6GA – Chloe Dixon  
6GA – Lewis Beacall  
6KH – Michael Phelan  
6KH – Milly Macmaster

## House Points

### **Last week's winners:**

Key Stage 1 = **Mark**

Key Stage 2 = **John**

Overall = **John**

Well done! Keep working and behaving hard to collect those points.

## Youth Connect 5

Please see a free resource for parents to help support your child's mental health.



Youth Connect 5 is a **free 5-week** course for parents/carers of children and young people which aims to **improve understanding of mental well-being**. We look at how our behaviour is linked to how we feel and how to **build resilience and communication within the family**.

**The next course will be run online, via Zoom (link emailed after booking).**

**Tuesdays 10am – 12pm (drop-in sessions between 12pm & 1pm)**

Week 1: Tuesday 3 November 2020

Week 2: Tuesday 10 November 2020

Week 3: Tuesday 17 November 2020

Week 4: Tuesday 24 November 2020

Week 5: Tuesday 1 December 2020

To book onto the course, please call **Carole Holt** on **01704 380047**, or email **Claudia Aldersley** at **claudia.aldersley@parenting2000.org.uk**

## Head Lice

Unfortunately we have a problem with head lice in various year groups. May I ask you to get into the routine of checking your child's head regularly. If you find head lice, treat your child and send him/her to school as normal.



## Vocations



As a school, over the last couple of weeks, we have been thinking about what it means to have a vocation. The word vocation comes from the Latin word – vocare which means to call. We have been reminded that we are all created and called by God for a special reason. He wants us to use our talents to be a light to the rest of the world. When we let our light shine, we are leading others to God and showing them what He is like. After beginning with a

virtual assembly, each year group looked at the importance of being called in different ways. We now have a lovely display in our Key Stage 1 corridor for everyone to see what we have been learning about.

## Individual Pupil Photographs

Kittle Photography will be in school taking individual pupil photographs on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October. If you have a child in Little Acorns who would not usually attend on a Monday morning session but you would like their photograph taken, please bring them in to school, via the office, at 8.30am in their uniform. PE lessons will be cancelled on this day to ensure that all children are photographed wearing their school uniform.

### **Fruit for Morning Snack – KS2**

Children in KS2 are encouraged to bring a piece of fruit in to school for their morning break, especially as their lunchtime sitting is later than usual.

### **School Library Service – Brown Bags**

If your child was provided with a brown paper bag containing reading books from the school library service during lockdown please could you return it to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

### **Zoom Parent/Teacher Meetings for Children in FS1 and FS2**

Just a reminder that if you have a child in FS1, FEM or FCB and you would like to take part in a 5 minute zoom meeting with your child's class teacher, appointments are now available via the School Spider app. Bookings will close on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Year 1 Wellingtons**

Please could all children in Y1 bring in a pair of wellies on Monday next week which can stay in school as their lunch playtime will now take place on the grassed area outside their classroom. Thank you.



### **Year 3 Thank You!**



Year 3 have had a great time this week going over to Church to re-enact a baptism. There isn't anything they don't know! Thank you to the parents for making them look so wonderful and to Fr Tom for letting us go.

### **Year 4 Virtual Workshop with Chester Zoo**

As we cannot currently take the children out on school trips, on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October Year 4 will be taking part in a virtual workshop hosted by Chester Zoo. They will be learning about Living Things and Habitats, Classification of Animals and Environmental Changes in line with our current topics in class. The cost per child will be £3.20 which can now be paid via ParentPay and should be paid by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you, Miss Yates and Mr Jones.



### **Year 6 Upcoming Entrance Exams**

If your child will be taking the 11+ or any entrance exams in the coming weeks please let the school office know so that we can record their absence accordingly.

## Dates for Your Diary

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| Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October   | Individual Photographs                                    |
| Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October  | St Anselms Entrance Exam                                  |
| Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> October | Upton Hall Entrance Exam                                  |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October  | Upton Hall Entrance Exam                                  |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October  | Y4 Virtual Workshop, Chester Zoo                          |
| Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October | 11 Plus Examination                                       |
| Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October | School Closes for Half Term                               |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October   | Inset Day – Children not in school                        |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October   | Zoom Meetings for Parents of children in FS1, FEM and FCB |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October   | 11 Plus Examination                                       |
| Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November   | Inset day – Children not in school                        |
| Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November  | Children return to school                                 |
| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November   | School reports sent home                                  |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November  | Flu Vaccinations  |
| Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December   | Inset day – Children not in school                        |
| Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December  | School closes for Christmas Break, 2pm                    |