



Be Ready, Be Respectful Be Safe 'To believe, achieve, succeed together.'

NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2023

Value of the Term: RESPECT & PEACE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Saturday night PTFA had a busy yet very successful evening at the Brackley fireworks selling all things that flash – again another sellout that raised an incredible amount of money for school. There is a **PTFA meeting** on Tuesday at the Crewe Arms in Hinton and it would be wonderful to get as many people as possible to come along and get involved with the fabulous work they do. This week we have had **Parents Evening** which went well. It was lovely for teachers to share with you all the things that were going well for your children with their learning and social and emotional well-being, as well as perhaps some areas that may need a greater focus to ensure they achieve the best they can. On Monday afternoon **Maple class** had a very awe-inspiring experience when they participated in a **VR event** all linked to their work on Maafa and the recent Black History Month focus. Children got to board Rosa Parks bus as well as go to Washington DC with Martin Luther King! Amazing! This week we have thought more about the value of **Respect and Peace** linking this in the main to **Remembrance**. On Monday I also shared a parable similar to one that Jesus might have taught linked to three relatives being left 17 camels and how they ended sharing them out between them – I wonder if anyone can retell the story? Today we visited the church memorial and paid our own respects for Remembrance as a school. Reverend Terry led us in this and we had some lovely poems, prayers and reflections as well as a moment of silence followed by some singing. Next week Year 3 and 4 embark on a trip to **Chiltern Open Air Museum** to consolidate and also further their learning about the Stone and Iron Age. We will also be focusing on **Anti Bullying week** in school and on Friday it is **Children in Need**. School Council have organised a colouring competition and Bake sale – please see separate flyer attached today. Any donations of cakes would be very well received please! This week we have welcomed in Mr Barrett who has been amazing at supporting Sycamore Class – everyone made him feel very welcome – we hope we may see him again from time to time. Additionally next week we welcome Jadene Reeves into our school working in Oak for two weeks. Finally, hopefully you have seen the letter regarding the building works taking place – I will send updates as and when about any changes to the day-to-day routines.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs. Sarah Smith

**Diary – WB 13th November
Anti-Bullying Week**

Monday

Ash and Sycamore trip to Chiltern arrival to school 8.30am

Tuesday

7.30pm PTFA – Crewe Arms

Wednesday

Ash Swimming 9

Thursday

Friday

Children In Need –Colouring

Competition & Bake Sale

9am VIP assembly

9.30am Parent Forum

Parent Governor

There will be two Parent Governor vacancies from the start of December. If you would like further information on what this involves, please contact the school office.

The **Parent Forum** is a partnership between parents and school. It is a valuable way to share ideas, views, concerns and make suggestions for improvement. Our next meeting is on Friday at 9.30am. It would be great to have more parent representatives from different classes attend.

Volunteer Readers We are always looking for volunteer readers to come in and work with the children, if you think you could offer an hour or two to help then please let us know.

Certificates

	Ready, Respectful, Safe	Headteacher Value	Curriculum – Music
OAK	Zosia S & Ayah H	Teddy P	Noah J
CHESTNUT	Amelia A & Joshua A	Noah P	William R
ASH	Emmett M & Jasper R	Myla S	Ollie S
SYCAMORE	Betsy T & Finley OC	Felix B	Jack J
MAPLE	Betty S & Lewis B	Holly D	Isla R

House Point Scores: Air 142 Earth 138 Fire 113 Water 136

APPLYING FOR A PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACE – SEPT 2024. The application window is now open for those starting school in September and you must apply by 15th Jan 2024.

Safeguarding - Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.
Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs S. Smith
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs K. Green
Governor Responsible for Safeguarding – Mrs C. Barrett

Attendance Figure
for the whole school
this academic year:
95.7%

PTFA – Upcoming events
Christmas Fayre – 26/11
Movie Night – 8/12