



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

**NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**

**Value of the Term: RESPECT & PEACE**

**Dear Parents and Carers**

On Monday each class were able to have a lesson on Fencing, run by 'FitFence'. This was a great opportunity, where the children learnt different techniques, phrases and even got to have a go wearing the correct equipment! Maybe the children can show you examples of 'engarde' and 'parry'? On Wednesday 20 children participated at a District Cross Country event at Courtenhall. The children all did a superb job at representing our school, demonstrating our values and had to compete in a tough course. We are yet to know any results, and these are due to be shared next week. In Worship this week our focus has been on Respect and Peace still and we looked at the Golden Rule and the artwork that sits in New York that the UN commissioned to share the bible verse 'Do unto others as you would have the done unto you'. We discussed what this looks like at school and how we could adopt this. We also explored how all religions have a verse that is aligned to this. Each week we also watch Newsround which explores topical, age-related news. As it was Road Safety week there were key reminders on the Green Cross Code. Our Children in Need cake sale was incredible and the school was awash with colouring entries. The School Council selected four winners, one from each phase. Well Done to Wren, Lola, Myla and Holly who won a Pudsey pin badge. Our total raised for this charity was £209 – thank you all for your support. On Sunday we have a highlight of the PTFA calendar with the Christmas Fayre. We have lots going on - each class has a stall, there are external stall holders, the raffle, a brilliant selection of food, a special visitor attending and the choir performing! I hope to see many of you there! On Monday we have our second Curriculum evening of the academic year. Staff, led by Miss Pepler, will share all things Maths and I hope that we can attract a large pool of parent as these events will lead you to have a deeper understanding of our teaching as well as ideas for home.

Next week it is December – how fast does time go (!) and our Christmas events are beginning to start too - I will share next week some very exciting adventures we have planned! I have been away from school this week quite a bit as I myself have been embarking on some new learning in different areas – it is true to say that learning

**Diary – WB 27<sup>th</sup> November**

**Monday**

5.30pm Curriculum Evening – Maths

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

Ash Swimming 11  
KS2 Target Festival

**Thursday**

Christmas Craft morning  
3.15pm 100 Club Draw

**Friday**

8.30am Book Look  
9am VIP assembly

**Saturday**

1.30pm Village Elm Tree planting

**Clubs** will finish on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

**Skipping club** will have small skipping show to share at 3:45 on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November for parents of the children in the club.

**Coats** – as the weather does start to change, please can we strongly urge that all children bring a coat to school. Temperatures can drop in the day, and we want the children to still go outside in the colder weather. Thank you.

On **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November** we have our next **Curriculum evening** where we shall be sharing all things **Maths** related. This will be a very useful evening for any parent to attend to learn the aims, how we teach but also things you can do at home to support.

**Certificates**

	Ready, Respectful, Safe	Headteacher Value	Curriculum – ART
OAK	Teddy P & Hudson R-T	Emmett C	Bertie B
CHESTNUT	Oscar P & Willow A	Struan H	Lola N
ASH	Zach L & Archie-James N	Monty S	Mason S
SYCAMORE	Felix B & Henry W	Fin O	Alayna P
MAPLE	Maisy W & Ava G	Lewis W	Darcey W

House Point Scores: **Air** **Earth** **Fire** **Water**

**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 15<sup>th</sup> 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:  
95.3%

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