



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

NEWSLETTER 1 – FRIDAY 6th JANUARY 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a great two days back at school and despite a few little changes the children have all been superb. The new start of the day routine has been going really well and it has been great to see everyone so punctual. Thank you all.

We launched our Zones of Regulation work as well as work on Wellbeing and mindfulness. Hopefully children have come home and talked about the zone they have been in and how we need to care for our mental health like we do our physical. Today each child has brought home a bottle of bubbles – this is a really good way to develop some calm breathing exercises and mindfulness. Children have a little attachment with them but also please see this link for further information <https://medium.com/the-daily-cuppa/blowing-bubbles-mindfulness-exercise-b394f8e824c7>. I also attach a

Zones of Regulation parents information sheet. As a whole school we enjoyed a brilliant kindness workshop run by 52 lives this morning where children were able to discuss many aspects of kindness, had to show a great deal of empathy and took part in a kindness quiz! They then had an activity to complete to help share kindness to someone else - I hope they are able to tell you more about it!

As I shared in my letter in December, I am keen to get all stakeholders views to help with the school moving forward. Please therefore see an online link to complete a parent/carer questionnaire with your views. - <https://forms.office.com/e/F8r3c8F9bw>
The closing date is Tuesday 17th January.

Each week I shall send home an information sheet relating to online safety with tips and ideas for you as parents and carers – today's one is titled 'New devices'. Some dates are with you today but I am aware there is more to add and consider. Class letters and curriculum information, as well as a small selection of school run clubs, will be with you next Friday.

Have a lovely weekend, take care

Mrs Smith, Headteacher

Diary – WB –9.1.23

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Equilore Horse Therapy
pm for 4 x children in
Y3/4

Thursday

Circus day

Friday

9am VIP assembly
9.30am Y5/6 Play leader
training
PM Forest School for
Chestnut class (bring a
change of clothes)

School Facebook Page

We will be using the school Facebook page a lot more to share all the wonderful things happening in school and classes. It is important to recognise this is not a place for parents to generally chat about school but a place for us to celebrate what is happening. There are a number of other channels within school to communicate to us your thoughts, feelings and questions e.g. email or pop in and speak to us.

Safeguarding - Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Sarah Smith

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Kaye Green

Governor Responsible for Safeguarding – Mrs Claire Barrett

All staff are trained in safeguarding on a regular basis to ensure they remain up to-date with key information and the wide ranges of varying areas within safeguarding.

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is defined as:

- protecting children from maltreatment;
- preventing impairment of children's mental and physical health or development;
- ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care;
- taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

If you have any concerns regarding the safeguarding and child protection of any pupil in the school then please do make sure you report this to us or you can contact the MASH directly on 0300 126 7000 if you have a serious concern and a child is in immediate danger.

A further information leaflet is attached for parents and carers.

Attachments:

Term Dates/ Key Dates
MASH information for
Parents and Carers
Zones of Regulation
information sheet
WUW New devices
NMPAT Info

Uniform Thank you for everyone returning to school this term looking so smart with their uniform. Just a reminder about footwear being adhered to as well as the policy on jewellery and nail varnish. A simple watch and a pair of stud earrings are the only items allowed. Please, can watches with other features not be brought into school. Thank you.

In the **absence of Mrs Smith** being in school please be advised to speak with Mrs Green Business Manager or Mrs Connor as Senior teacher if needed.