



Autumn Term

29th November 2019

Dear Parents,

As you will be aware from the visual School Development Plan you received last half term, and if you attended the Curriculum Evening in September, we are putting a real focus on Reading this year. We have already started supplementing the class libraries with new books bought with funding from the PTFA . The profit from all Christmas events this year, including the Winter Wiggle, Secret Santa and Christmas card sales, will also be used to ensure that our book stock for both the school library and whole school Reading scheme are up-to-date and in good condition. It is hoped that all these new books will further enhance the teaching of reading across the school and also encourage the children to read more for pleasure. Miss Pearcy is also starting a Book Club at lunchtimes and I am delighted to see this has been so over-subscribed that double the number of children expected will benefit by attending on a two weekly rota.

As part of this focus, we have again booked the Scholastic Book Fair and Mrs Guy, who has organised the event, has again managed to secure **half price on all books, posters and stationery ... yes that is 50% off everything!** The fair will run in the Library from Monday 9th December to Thursday 12th December from 3:15pm each day. I hope you will be able to attend to take advantage of this great offer.

Mrs B. C. Kerfoot-Roberts

<p>STAR OF THE WEEK</p> <p>The children who have been nominated for the STAR OF THE WEEK this week are:-</p> <p>Reception Class Layton</p> <p>Year 1 Anna Year 2 Annie</p> <p>Year 3 Lola A Year 4 Ruby</p> <p>Year 5 Harris Year 6 Scarlet W</p>	<p>SMILE AWARD</p> <p>The children who have been nominated for the SMILE AWARD this week are:-</p> <p>Reception Class Olivia</p> <p>Year 1 Aiza Year 2 Idris</p> <p>Year 3 Eva Year 4 Taryn</p> <p>Year 5 TJ Year 6 Theo</p>
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INVESTORS IN PUPILS

ATTENDANCE FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2019 is 93.7%

Reception 94.2%	Class 1 90.7%	Class 2 93.8%
Class 3 97.7%	Class 4 94.0%	Class 5 93.0%
Class 6 92.4%		

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HALIFAX ROTARY CLUB
CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

Brian Harkness from the Rotary Club will be collecting the boxes on Monday. If you took a box but have not managed to fill it, please return the empty box as are they are running short of boxes.



PTFA WINTER WIGGLE
Wednesday 4th December

Just a quick reminder that the EYFS and KS1 disco is 5pm—6pm. The KS2 disco is 6.15pm—7.15pm and you will pay on the door.

Finger lights will be on sale for 50p each on entry through the Community Room.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Wednesday 18th December 2019

Thank you if you have already returned your form (deadline was today). If you still have to return the form, please do so by first thing Monday morning for us to collate the figures for the kitchen at Greetland. They will need to place their orders with their suppliers and have a few schools to cook for and they have to order the food more than 2 weeks in advance. The Christmas lunch is 2 weeks on Wednesday!

EYFS AND KS1
CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES
11th and 12th December 2019

The booking system for tickets for the above performances will close at 10am on Monday. Tickets should then be issued on Tuesday together with any spares requested. Spare requests are to be by 9am on Tuesday 3rd December.

ORIENTEERING

Yesterday, 16 of our children braved the awful weather to run in the Calderdale Orienteering Competition.

The event, which involves map reading as well as cross country, was held on Savile Park. Yet again, the children performed brilliantly with our Year 4 team winning their event and Year 5 coming second.

Well done to them and the parents who braved the conditions to support us.

POPPY APPEAL



We would like to thank all parents and children for contributing to the above appeal.

We have received a receipt from The Royal British Legion that as a school we raised £236.90 with the District total at over £50,000.

RETIREMENT ASSEMBLY FOR
MRS KERFOOT-ROBERTS

On Monday morning, Mrs Wood is finalising the figures and arrangements for the above and it is therefore imperative that we have correct numbers for people attending.

If you intend to attend the assembly and have not yet replied, please do so by 9am on Monday for us to give the Shay the final figures.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

We will running the book fair once again this year in the library from Monday 9th December to Thursday 12th December.

Books will be available for sale at 3.15pm on each of the above days. If you are attending, please collect your child from class as usual then come in to school through the main entrance to the library.

Family learning

Thank you everybody who attended the 'Elf on a Swing' workshop this week. It was a huge success and everyone had a lot of fun making those mischievous elves!

Look out for the next Family Learning Workshop in the new year.