



Newsletter – 15th November 2021

On this day - 1940: The German Luftwaffe bombs Coventry in a massive raid.
Birthdays - 1972: Jonny Lee Miller, English actor (Trainspotting), born in London.

Dear parents, carers and families,

I hope you all heard positive things about our visit from Mike Mullen (<https://www.bmxacademy.com/mike-mullen-bmx>), a former BMX World Champion, last Wednesday. Mike gave a fantastic presentation to the whole school before working with Years 5 and 6 throughout the day. The children built their skills of confidence, resilience and self-belief through his engaging workshops.

The Christmas card order arrived in school at the end of last week. It is our intention to give the orders to children today (Monday 15th), so please look out for these coming home. Thank you for your support; the orders have helped raise money for SOCS, which will be used to support us in school in the future.

Last Friday our 'Ollie Kids' delivered a wonderful assembly to the whole school, following their six-week block of work with Ali and Marie. It was great to see how they had bonded as a team whilst celebrating and understanding their differences. The children had also worked to develop their understanding of emotions, how we can control them, and what our emotions are affected by. Well done everyone!

I hope you will have seen information on Parent Mail about our Parents' Evenings, which are taking place on 23rd and 24th of November. You can now make bookings online for these appointments, which will be with your child's class teacher. The meetings will take place via Zoom and will be ten minutes in duration.

Thank you for your support last week with the start-of-day timings. We really noticed an improvement, with fewer children arriving after 8.50am. The class details are below, but for you information our whole-school punctuality data last week showed that, overall, 95% of children arrived before 8.50am. Of the remaining 5%, 3.8% of entries were between 8.50am and 9.00am; 1.2% of entries were after 9.00am. Please continue to support us, and the children, in making each morning a positive and settled experience for everyone.

With best wishes for the week ahead,
Richard Martin.

DIARY DATES

- Friday 19th November:** Children in Need.
- Tuesday 23rd November:** Virtual Parents Evening #1
- Wednesday 24th November:** Virtual Parents Evening #2
- Wednesday 8th December:** Flu Nasal Spray – NHS.
- Tuesday 14th December:** Royal Institute of Science events.
- Wednesday 15th December:** Christmas Dinner.
- Friday 17th December:** Last day of term & dress-down day.
- Tues 4th January 2022:** Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday (observed).
- Weds 5th January 2022:** Professional Development day for staff.
- Thursday 6th January 2022:** All children return to school.

Attendance data...

1 st	Hazel Class	99.6%
2 nd	Elder Class	97.5%
3 rd	Beech Class	96.9%
4 th	Elm Class	96.2%
5 th	Oak Class	95.7%
6 th	Hawthorn Class	95.2%
7 th	Pine Class	94.2%

Punctuality data...

1 st	Hawthorn Class	99%
1 st	Elder Class	99%
3 rd	Oak Class	98.2%
4 th	Pine Class	94.2%
5 th	Hazel Class	92.5%
6 th	Elm Class	91.5%
7 th	Beech Class	90.4%

