



4 November 2022

This Half Term's Value is - Belonging

Message from Dr Mitchell...

Welcome back! After Reception looking for signs of Autumn, they certain seem to have found it! Please take care coming to and from school now the days are getting darker, and consider bright/reflective clothing for the walk home.

We look forward to IN PERSON parent/carer consultations on 7th and 9th November. **Please try to help the teachers keep to time.** Even one extra minute on each meeting can cause huge delays later in the evening, impacting others, including the teachers, who also have home responsibilities outside school.

School Council Update

The school council meet every Friday to discuss what is going on in the school. This week they discussed energy use, and wanted me to write to everyone to ask you to **bring an extra jumper to school**, so that we can delay putting the heating on and lower the thermostat. They pointed out this will help the climate as well as the school budget!

Diary Dates

(new dates will be in red)

- Wed 9th Nov Bedtime Story Club – cancelled as it clashes with parent consultation (sorry)
- 7th and 9th November times TBC Parent/Carer consultations
- Tues 15/Wed 16 new parent tours
- Wed 7th December School Christmas Dinner Day and dress as an elf day.

Christmas performance dates coming soon!

Nettleton Court Parking

Please DO NOT park in Nettleton Court, and please be courteous to the residents. We have heard reports of swearing and spitting and this is not the behaviour we want modelled to the children.

Learning Round-Up



Year 2 have been designing cars for the future, thinking about how to make them more eco-conscious, as well as fun (cars with swimming pools on them, anyone?! – Dr Mitchell?). They have been consolidating maths skills of adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers with the column method – do ask them to teach you as this will help cement their learning.

Year 1 have started their new topic, 'Once upon a time' and had a go at writing a story using all the things they already know about fairy tales. In history they have started to learn about communication and how it has changed. In the recent past, this newsletter would have been photo-copied and sent out, not delivered by e-mail!



Reception have been learning about Diwali and why it is important to Hindus. Happy Diwali to any of our families celebrating! They have had their first handwriting lesson, learning to write the letters i and l. They are learning how to be a good friend and enjoyed the story 'Meesha Makes Friends' by one of our favourite authors, Tom Percival.



Chair of Champions

Kingfisher: Nella, Arnie; **Hedgehog:** Rex, Yiyi;

Fox: Sugar, Sophia; **Puffin:** Jobe, Ben;

Turtle: Cora, Lonnie, Ruby, Irene; **Starfish:** Ezra, Sofya, Erin, Aria H

Dolphin: Stanley, Zion, Harrison; **Seahorse:** Harper, Ruby, Nimalan, Layla

Squirrel: Milo, Cerys, Molly, Jasper Leo

