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This week our attendance was... 94.2%

Oh no - Let's get to 96%

24th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you again for all your support with Children in Need last week. I can confirm that we raised £142.90 – Well done everyone! Today, we have also had some very excited year 5 and 6 children as they prepare for their week at Waterpark on Monday. Have an amazing time everyone – I know you are all going to be amazing!

Drumroll please...our winner is:

Our long-awaited Story in a Jar winner has been decided by our fabulous teaching team this week. The winner is - The Princess and the Pea created by Holly in 2B. Congratulations Holly!

Thank you so much for all of the entries, we now have some beautiful jars to decorate our new library space with.



Christmas Fair:

It is that time of year again when we are starting to think about our Christmas Fair in school which will be held on Friday 15th December. As always, we are going to be holding a number of non-uniform days in the run up. This will start next Friday where we will be asking for all children to come into school in nonuniform with a donation of chocolate. Thanks in advance for all your support.

Sporting fun:

This past Monday, our Mereside football team played a friendly game against Armfield Academy. Whilst they came up short on the scoreboard in this game, all of the children worked excellently as a team and represented our school fantastically. Similarly, our amazing indoor athletics team also performed brilliantly this week and were an absolute credit to the school. A huge well done to all involved and a massive thank you to all staff involved in the organisation.

Family Hub updates:

*MERESIDE COFFEE MORNING with our **BLACKPOOL FAMILY HUB CONNECTOR***. Please join us on Wednesday 29th November in our children's centre from 8.45am to 10.30am.

Blackpool family hubs offer support and advice, promoting the start for life offer of supporting from conception up the age of 2 years old and then the hubs offer support for 0-19 year olds and up to 25 with additional needs, they also signpost to any services families may need. They will bring timetables of sessions available to all families, registration forms, vitamins for you to take home and support information -*Please do come along... Refreshments, Clothing and Shoes are always offered free to all our Mereside families.*

And finally, this week's superstars are...

Nursery – Theo for coming back into nursery settled, exploring and engaging in activities independently and **Albie** for playing so nicely with his friends. Well done both of you!

RT – Arlo for trying really hard with his letter sounds and blending and **Cameron** for incredible sounding out and writing his words. Well done both of you!

RM – Felix for trying really hard with his reading. Go Felix! **Eryk** for going above and beyond with his homework, you should be so proud of yourself. Well done both of you!

1M – Halleigh and **Evania** for some fantastic drawings in history. Well done both of you!

1/2G - Hannah for trying really hard with her writing and book presentation and Tine for always trying her best to help others. Well done both of you!
2B - Bella-Rose for great effort and engagement in music and Lilly for an excellent effort and a positive attitude in all areas. We are so proud of you both – Well done!
3B - Nora for having a positive attitude to learning and giving it her all in every lesson and IJ for always being kind, helpful and having a positive attitude to learning. Well done both of you!

3/4D – Lola and **Georgia** for being so resilient and trying so hard in all lessons. Well done both of you!

4FB – Jasmine for trying so hard with her times tables and **Jonyla** for a fantastic 2 page spread in science all about forces and magnets. Well done both of you! **5W – Lucas** for being resilient in his learning, especially in swimming and **Oliver** for being a supportive peer and helping others with their learning when they get stuck. Well done both of you!

6JP – Charlie for trying so hard and **Mylee** for being an always person. Well done both of you!

6HP – Max for showing such enthusiasm during RE and for sharing his views and opinions in a mature and sensible manner and **Shanequa** for an excellent effort when using modal verbs to give advice in Literacy. Well done both of you!

A big well done to everyone!!

Upcoming dates for your diary:

(Please note this will be updated with new dates as the term progresses)

Monday 27th - Friday 1st December - Waterpark Residential - UKS2 Wednesday 29th November - Family Hub Coffee Morning Friday 1st December – Non-uniform Day – Chocolate donations please Tuesday 5th December - Year 3 and 4 Creepy Crawly Day and Creepy Crawly Roadshow visit Wednesday 6th December – No pens Wednesday Mini Choir performing in Tesco Friday 8th December – Whole school panto Christmas Jumper Day – Bottle donations please Monday 11th December - Christmas sing a long for our 2-year-old provision -All parents welcome in the Children's Centre 2.15pm **Tuesday 12th December** – Early Years production – 2pm Wednesday 13th December – Early Years production – 9.30am Friday 15th December - Christmas Fair - Non-uniform day - Cake donations Monday 18th December – Early Years Christmas party Tuesday 19th December – Years 3 and 4 Christmas party KS1 production – 2pm Wednesday 20th December - KS1 production 9.30am Whole school Christmas dinner **Thursday 21st December** – KS1 and Upper KS2 Christmas party Friday 22nd December – Christmas celebration assembly and sing song School closes for Christmas at 1.30pm

Any questions please don't hesitate to ask; thank you for your continued support,

Ms S Upton Headteacher

Coming up next week...

Date	Event	Time
Monday 27 th November	Painting Club – Years 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
P.E. – 3/4D		
4FB	Storytime Club – Reception	3.15pm – 4.15pm
	Languages Club – Years 1	3.15pm – 4.15pm
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		3.15pm – 4.15pm

WATERPARK RESIDENTIAL ALL WEEK

	Sing and Sign – Years 5 and	
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Tuesday 28 th November	Seasonal Crafts – Year 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
P.E. – 1M	Dance festival – Years 1, 2, 3,	3.15pm – 4.15pm
1/2G	4, 5 and 6	
2B		
3B	Christmas Arts and Crafts –	3.15pm – 4.15pm
5W	Years 3 and 4	1 1
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6JP		
Wednesday 29 th November	Mini Choir – Years 1 and 2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
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P.E 2B	Manga – Years 5 and 6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
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6JP	Family Hub Coffee Morning	8.45am
Thursday 30 th November	Craft Club – Reception	3.15pm – 4.15pm
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P.E 3/4D	Crafts and Art – Years 5 and	3.15pm – 4.15pm
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5W	Piano – The same children as	3.15pm – 4.15pm
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Friday 1 st December	Football BFC – Years 5 and 6	3.15pm – 4.15pm
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P.E. – Reception 1M	chocolate donation for the	All day
1/2G	Christmas Fair	