



Thank you for all your kind donations to our Harvest baskets. We have had a huge number of food items coming into school throughout the week. They will all be packaged up and ready delivery to Wellspring. We will post some photographs of the harvest baskets on our Twitter page next week.



We will be having a non-uniform day on the last day of half term and after the success of the last event, it will be another Break the Rules Day. The MHSA will send out more information about this early next week as well as sharing news on a Bonfire Night competition.

MHSA Lotto Club – Just £1 per month!

Our 'Lotto Club' has proven popular with both parents and staff alike.

With a draw every month, you are in with the chance to win a great cash prize.

Entry forms, available on request from: mhsa.lottoclub@gmail.com or if you make a payment via ParentPay an entry form will be automatically sent to you via email.

Just £1 per month buys you membership (a ball to be entered into the draw) half of all money raised will go to the MHSA for school funding, the other half as prize money for the monthly draw. Payments can be made monthly by standing order, or annually via Parent Pay, Standing Order, Cash or Cheque.



All the school councilors have now been elected and I will be sharing the representatives from each class in a special recorded assembly for the children early next week. I will share these children with you next Friday.



Can you spare a few hours a week to become a reading helper at our school?

Our school is working with a charity called Coram Beanstalk and are looking for volunteers who can spare an afternoon or two a week to come in to school as a reading helper. Holding reading sessions with some of our children on a one-to-one basis, giving those that need it extra support to practise reading skills outside of the classroom. It's a fun role that's about much more than just listening to children read.

Coram Beanstalk help children become readers; equipping reading helpers to help children switch onto reading, learn to read and become confident independent readers. Reading helpers are trained in a proven approach and will lead sessions for each child that bring fun and enjoyment to the reading experience, ultimately wanting the child to choose to read and be enthusiastic about it!

Reading helpers read to the child, talk about what they have read, check understanding and encourage thinking and conversation based on a book. They use fun book based activities to reinforce understanding, develop vocabulary and further cement enjoyment through a positive reading experience. We know this approach works and raises reading attainment, with 1-1 sessions bringing additional benefits of improving confidence, self-esteem and attitude to learning.

If you would like to become a reading helper at our school, or you know someone, perhaps a grandparent or a neighbour who would like to join our friendly school community please do consider this role.

For more information or if you want to apply online, visit the website at <u>www.corambeanstalk.org.uk</u> and complete an application form.





18th October 2021 What's going on this week?



This year's Nobel Prize winners have been announced and include two American scientists, who discovered how we feel physical pain and pleasure, winning the 2021 Nobel Prize for medicine. The annual awards take place in Sweden and there are six subject areas: Physics, Chemistry, Medicine, Literature, Peace and Economics. Each Nobel award comes with a gold medal and a prize of 10 million Swedish krona (about £840,000).

Things to talk about at home...

- How many different types of prizes and awards can you think of? These can be at home, at school or somewhere else.
- Have you ever won a prize for something? How did it feel? Have you ever wanted to win a prize but not won, how did that feel?

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