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Urmston Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers…
Have a lovely weekend!
Best wishes from us all at UPS

Reading…

We want our children to read as much as possible. The love of a good story (or a nice bit of non-fiction) is such a wonderful thing and is a habit that we want our children to enjoy and be enthusiastic about. We know that we are competing with all sorts of stimuli (usually screen based!), but as always, we ask for your support in encouraging your children to read. Please communicate with us via the reading records and chat to us if you need to about your child's reading. It really is one of the most important keys to unlocking our children's learning...and their enjoyment for learning! Thanks for your support.

WELLBEING

Looking out for one another's wellbeing is essential for us all. Below are a couple of links to how we can consider how we connect, follow routines and raise self-esteem. They are about both child wellbeing and, essentially, parent wellbeing. Do take a look!

Child Mental Health & Wellbeing- 10 Top Tips for Parents | SSS Learning Ltd (ssscpd.co.uk)
Your Mental Health & Wellbeing- 10 Top Tips for Parents | SSS Learning Ltd

BOOK FAIR

It's that time of the year again. You should have received a reminder that you can pay for books via email and we'll remind you here that we get hefty commission, which goes back into our own stock of engaging books for our children!

Trafford Thrive…

…have created a newsletter for Men's Health Awareness Month which is November 2023 with a focus on men and boy's mental health. Please find the link below…

https://www.canva.com/design/DAFwezRZwNE/lGuUkGAhUi87VaVv1qXqAg/view?website#4

MIDDAY JOB

We have a job going as a midday assistant. If you're interested…do give it a look here and come and have a chat!

https://www.greater.jobs/search-and-apply/job-details/TF85183/

BEING MORE!

Some super 'being more' this week! First up we have Oriel and Everly. They've been so kind and responsible in helping at their Grandma's Save The Children Fund coffee morning. They decided to run a stall which was guess the name of the toy dog and guess how many sweets there are in the jar. They made an amazing £170 and overall the event made £930. They were so polite and respectful too! Brilliant stuff girls!

Secondly, Elizabeth has been showing her kindness , generosity and thoughtfulness. A few weeks ago her great aunty's was visiting Malawi she told Elizabeth about the boys and girls who don't have any toys or stationary. Elizabeth went through her bedroom and gave lots of her own teddies and toys. My Aunty sent a few pictures of the children with their toys to show Elizabeth. She was extremely happy that she had made someone else happy. You should be really proud of yourself Lizzy!

Next up, Georgia should be proud of herself too! She was busy during the half term making cakes and helping out at her Grandma's coffee morning for MacMillan Cancer Care- a charity that has touched on so many lives and will increasingly. She raised a massive £170! Brilliant 'being more' Georgia!

Then we have Will! He's been growing his hair (for a very long time!) He's facing the chop today and is raising money for the Little Princess Trust and Little Warriors Wardrobe too. You can support Will here: https://gofund.me/487e7732 Great stuff, buddy!

And last, but by no means least, a huge well done to our Reception litter-picking heroes! Children from Infant Class 7 have raised an amazing £445 (and counting!) for the school in a group litter pick last weekend. This was for the half term sponsored litter pick to raise funds to pay for the Air Conditioning installation in the Hornby building. You guys are amazing—thanks so much for helping the environment...and helping us 'chill-out' a little (in the summer that is!). Well done guys...great being more!

AND...whilst we're on this...a big thanks TO and FROM our PTA who, with the help of these guys above, and many others, raised a huge £2700 towards the cost of the aircon at school. That's almost 1/3 of the total needed! Another £80 for the Halloween necklaces helped too! Brilliant stuff and another reminder of why our PTA is so important to us at UPS! Thanks, as always, guys!

SEND FORUM

Please join us here at 2.30pm on Thursday 16th November to discuss all things SEND. We realise that this time may not suit all but there really is never a good time, is there! If you can't make it but would like some thoughts discussed or questions answered, please do let us know! We hope to see you then.

THE LITTLE GREEN SOCK PROJECT

We will be collecting donations for the Little Green Sock Project. The following is a message from them so do please donate what you can and go to www.littlegreensock.org…

With the colder weather coming in now there is a demand for warmer clothing and we are short of clothing in the following age-groups:
-warmer items for all age 4+ age groups boys and girls… hats/gloves and scarfs for older kids also hugely appreciated (for all you keen knitters out there!).
-5-6 boys - we're completely out of trousers/bottoms!
-All girls clothing age 7+ (short of all ages, especially warm clothes and PJs)
-All boys clothing age 4+ especially age 5-6 and 8-9 that we are down to our last bundle on!
-Footwear is always in great demand and any donations of size 10 and 12 boys trainers would be greatly appreciated.
-Also in need of high chairs and baby play gym mats which we have run out of!
If you're kids have recently outgrown these age-groups and you no longer have use for them please consider donating them.
Thank you!

CLASSROOM ACTION…

Another busy week...we've been...learning about algorithms; experiencing the stone age(!); creating symmetrical and asymmetrical shapes; printing illuminated letters, inspired by the Anglo Saxons; practically solving our number stories; presenting our homework projects; learning about materials and their properties; finding out about how communication has changed throughout UK history; creating stained glass windows, showing messages or gospels about Jesus …and much more!