

Updates and Praise

18th October 2024



Dear Parents and Carers

Alex Ballinger MP Visit

Today the Labour MP for Halesowen, Alex Ballinger attended school to launch our Parliament Week with KS2. The visit included an assembly where the children found out about the role of Parliament and how we have democratic systems in school. Our School Senate shone, asking questions to find out how they can be more effective within their roles. Alex was delighted with how students took their leadership roles so seriously.

World Poetry Day Competition

All of the acrostic poems for World Poetry Day were fantastic - the winners of our competition were Lily (Year 2), Esme (Year 4) and Megan (Year 6). Enjoy spending your Book tokens! Thank you to everyone who was involved, we thoroughly enjoyed reading your Tenterfields poems!

Parents Evenings

As a reminder we are running parents evening on Tuesday 22nd October from 15.30pm-17.00pm and Wednesday 23rd October 16.00pm-19.00pm next week.

To ensure smooth scheduling, please be aware of the following important details:

- **Appointment bookings:** All appointments must be made through the Arbor system.
- **Appointment duration:** Each slot is **limited to 10 minutes**. We kindly ask all parents to respect this time limit, as this ensures fairness to everyone attending. If a discussion needs more time, we will look to arrange a follow-up appointment
- **Exercise books:** Your child's exercise books will be available outside the classroom for you to browse before your appointment. Once your time comes, you will be called to discuss them with the teacher.

School Disco and Pumpkin Carving Competition

Be sure to purchase your school disco ticket from Arbor, for the Halloween School Disco on Thursday 24th October. Alongside this we are running our Pumpkin Carving Competition, details of which can be found on our school blog - [Pumpkin Competition - Click Here](#)

School Menu

Next week's school menu is week **two** - please see the school website which shows the school menu for different weeks, including the dates that menus are held on - [School Dinners - Click Here](#)

On Friday 25th October we will be holding a special Halloween Menu, for more information see our blog post here - [Spooky Halloween Menu - Click Here](#)

Harvest Collection


As a reminder, we are collecting for the Black Country Food bank during Harvest. If you are in a position to donate any items, please send them to school with your child by Monday 20th October. On Wednesday 23rd October, Life Central Church will be visiting our Harvest Festival assembly to collect our donations and talk about the importance of the food bank.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the autumnal weather.

Mr Dominic Simpson
Headteacher



Praise!

| Whole school attendance for week commencing 14th October | | |
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| Reception | 86.83% |  <p>This means our Attendance Trophy this week goes to:</p> <p>Year 5</p> <p>Well done and congratulations!</p> |
| Year 1 | 94.74% | |
| Year 2 | 90.23% | |
| Year 3 | 92.86% | |
| Year 4 | 96.77% | |
| Year 5 | 98.21% | |
| Year 6 | 98.06% | |

| Praise Certificates | | Praise Comments |
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| Nursery | Ella | Ella has been resilient in her self help skills this week. She is now searching for her own name each morning from the name basket and on the nursery pegs. She also showed resilience when getting her trainers and PE kit on independently. Ella has also worked on her emotional resilience and now knows that she can play with her brother Billy at lunch time but remains happy when it is time to leave him to continue her learning. |
| Reception | Freya N | Freya has a very resilient nature and always approaches life with a smile! She overcomes challenges or upsets quickly and will ask for help when needed. It is lovely to see her positive attitude and we are very proud of her. Well done Freya. |
| Year 1 | Ethan | Ethan consistently approaches his work with a positive attitude, always smiling and staying focused. He sets a great example for his classmates, consistently making good choices and showing exceptional politeness. With his excellent manners and a willingness to assist others, Ethan is truly a role model. Keep up the fantastic work, Ethan! |
| Year 2 | Arthur | Arthur has been a superstar at showing his resilience to hard tasks! Sometimes Arthur can find maths a little tricky, but this week he has blown me away, he tries his hardest and always asks for help if he needs it! Because of this Arthur has already made amazing progress. Well done Arthur. |
| Year 3 | Edward | Ed has been making sure he is consistently the best he can be. He is always organised and on task making sure he is using tools around the room to help him. He always comes into school with a smile on his face. He has built up a lot of resilience since coming back and is really engaging with his learning. |
| Year 4 | Lily | Lily has shown brilliant levels of resilience, particularly in Maths. Lily sometimes can find Maths tricky but she has really persevered this week and has asked lots of questions to |

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| | | deepen her understanding. Due to this, Lily has been making excellent progress and I am incredibly proud of her! |
| Year 5 | Anaya | Anaya is a very reliant learner. She always pays close attention to the teaching so that she fully understands the learning and the task that she must complete. She uses 3B4T diligently; I don't think she's ever raised her hand to ask for help! As a result, she is an excellent learner and produces fantastic work. I have no doubt that she will achieve whatever she dreams of! |
| Year 6 | - | At the Pioneer Centre |

| Hot Chocolate Fridays | | Century Tech Nuggets Weekly Winner | |
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| Nursery | Freddie | | |
| Reception | Isaac | | |
| Year 1 | Luna | Year 3 | Nicholas B |
| Year 2 | Olivia C | Year 4 | Olivia S |
| Year 3 | Lila | Year 5 | Lila M |
| Year 4 | Bruce | Year 6 | - |
| Year 5 | Lola | Will you be a Century Tech Nugget winner? https://app.century.tech/ | |
| Year 6 | - | | |



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