



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

'Wow starts' have been the highlight of this week!



Lots of the Year groups have been fortunate enough to take part in a range of different starting activities to launch this half term's topic. This is part of our new curriculum that started in September and it has been pleasing to see the children enjoy taking part in a wide range of activities and then talking about this outside of the classroom. The year groups have taken part in or are planning to take part in the following:



	Topic	Activity
EYFS	Do cows drink milk?	Food and drink tasting
Year 1	Moon Zoom	Scavenger hunt on the playground
Year 2	Street Detectives	Studying different types of houses and shops
Year 3	Tremors	Earthquake
Year 4	Playlist	Disco
Year 5	Time Travellers	Time Travellers afternoon tea
Year 6	A child's war	Evacuation

Today the children enjoyed a visit from a visually impaired lady and a guide dog. It was so lovely to see the children listening so carefully about living with a visual impairment. They also asked lots of good questions in order to find out more information. The dog, Shannon, was also a huge hit for everyone in the school.



If you have a child starting school in September, don't forget that the deadline for applications is

The deadline for primary school place applications is 15 January



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Monday 15th January 2018! We have been showing families around school since October and the last tour was today! Please remind your friends and relatives especially if they are going to apply to Arthur Bugler!

Next Thursday the kitchen staff have planned another themed lunch. This time it is 'Build-a-burger' and we know that this will be another popular school dinner. All children are invited to have a school dinner and we are hoping for as many children as possible to sign up for a school lunch. Remember that all children in classes 1 – 6 are entitled to a free meal everyday!



Next week will be 'Multicultural Week' in school and the staff have planned a number of exciting and creative activities. The children will move around the school visiting different countries including, Thailand, Mexico and Hawaii. In each class the children will carry out an activity linked to the country. I am sure the children will enjoy the many activities on offer across the school and I am sure they will tell you all about it when they get home. There may be some food tasting activities. Please remember to inform us of any allergies that we may not be aware of.

Have a lovely weekend!

J. A. Bryant
Headteacher



This week the **Attendance Trophies** have been awarded to

KS1

Class 5

Mrs Cooper

97%

KS2

Class 11

Mrs Matthews

99.35%

Congratulations to all classes!

Whole School Attendance

95.09%



Silver Headteacher Award

Today I presented a Silver Headteacher Award to Charlie Mahoney for receiving 10 Headteacher Awards. He is now the proud owner of a pen to go with her pencil. Well done Charlie!



Bronze Headteacher Award

This week I presented 9 Bronze Headteacher Awards to Owen Hallisey, Chloe Strutt, Alfie Stevens, Alfie-Lee Banister, Sonny Cast, Bella Price, Sonny Cast, Poppy Welsh, Dylan Crawford and Lewis Corrie. They collected their sticker and pencil in assembly. Congratulations to all of them!



Children coming into school Late

This week the amount of learning time lost by 6 children combined was 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Children can enter school from 8.30am and there are some learning activities for them to carry out the moment they enter class. Registration closes at 8.55am and the first lesson starts at 8.55am. If children are late they potentially miss the start of the learning process and over time this can mount up.



Bike Store

Last week a child's bike was damaged by some of our children at the end of the day. The cameras show a number of children standing around a bike and tampering with the seat. This has resulted in a substantial amount of damage. Can I please remind parents and carers to ensure their children do not use this as a play or waiting area.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



Parking

Last Friday a local resident could not get his car off of his driveway due to a car blocking him in. Please take care when parking your car at the end of the day and think of the local residents.



Clubs

All clubs start next week. Please collect your child from the main reception area. For all internal clubs you will have received an email from Mrs Lee confirming if your child has received an allocated space. If you have any questions please come to the school office. A huge thank you to Mrs Lee in the office for working hard to ensure this was ready for next week. It is never an easy task but she has mastered it to ensure the children can enjoy a range of activities.



Menu Change

Because of the 'Build a burger' day on Thursday there is a change of menu on Monday, so there isn't two burgers in one week.

Menu for Monday as follows:

Red: Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Blue: Quorn Chilli with rice

Green: Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings



SAVE THE DATE!!!

'Stranger Danger in the 21st Century' Workshop for parent/carers – Wednesday 7th February at 7.00pm

We have been fortunate to secure another date for an online safety workshop for parents and carers. This is the third time that this event will run and I know that everyone that has attended previously has found it extremely informative and useful. We will run a 'movie night' for those parents/carers who need support with childcare. Please put the date in your diary and do your best to attend.

More information to follow...



Big Question

Every term the school focuses on a 'Big Question' which is linked closely to school improvement. This term the question is 'How is the curriculum exciting and engaging?'

There will be a questionnaire for parents/carers as well as some activities in school for the children and staff in order to move this area forward within the school.



Grandparents Celebration

This will take place on Monday 29th January and Tuesday 30th January. All of the children will have the chance to perform with their class and more information will be sent next week in a letter. It is always a lovely afternoon and I am sure this year will be no different.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



January

Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th	Multicultural Week
Wednesday 17 th	SEND Parent/Carer Meetings (Invites to be sent)
Thursday 18 th	SEND Coffee Morning (9am)
Thursday 25 th	Year 5 Sex & Relationships Education Talk To Parents (time to be confirmed)
Monday 29 th	Grandparents Celebrations (PM)
Tuesday 30 th	Grandparents Celebrations (PM)

February

Friday 2nd	Year 5 IOW Payment of £50 due (April 2018 Trip)
	Year 6 PGL Payment of £50 due (July 2018 Trip)
Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th	Safety Week
Tuesday 6 th	Internet Safety Day
Thursday 8 th	SEND Coffee Morning (9am)
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th	Holiday
Monday 19 th	Return to school
Monday 26 th – Friday 2 nd March	Reading & Writing Week