

Head of School: Mrs J Eddy

Friday 21st May 2021

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are well. We have had another

exciting and busy, if somewhat wet and windy,

week in school.

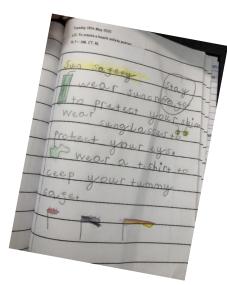


Year 1 have started their topic 'Under the Sea'. In English, the children have been learning about sun and sea safety and as a result have created their own sun/sea safety posters. These posters are to warn others of the risks and teach people

how to be safe in the sun and in the sea, especially with summer just around the corner! The children have really enjoyed learning about how to keep themselves safe.







Reminder

Friday 28th May and Monday 7th June are inset days that extend out the half term holiday. Please note that school will be closed to pupils on both of these days.

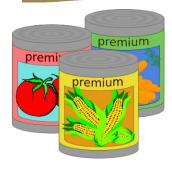
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Food Bank Items

A reminder that we have a box in the front reception area, just inside the door, where families are more than welcome to come and help themselves to any items they require. You do not need to ask or speak to anyone, please just help yourselves. There is a selection of tinned items, boxes of cereals, tea bags etc.

<u>Parking</u>

Please can we kindly remind parents/carers to be respectful and courteous to the local residents and other road users when dropping off and collecting your children from school. We have received reports that drivers have been driving too fast past the school and parking inconsiderately across residents driveways and on double yellow lines.

Meal Booking and ParentPay

Thank you to all those parents/carers who make use of our online meal booking system, ParentPay, to order their child/children's meals. We are however, still finding an increasing number of children ordering their lunches in school each morning and also asking to change the option booked by their parent/carer. To assist the catering staff, we are politely requesting that all meals for the whole week be booked in advance using the online ParentPay booking system. This will enable the kitchen to plan more efficiently. Bookings close at midnight and so we would encourage parents/carers to book meals for the week prior to midnight on a Sunday. Thank you all for your support.

COVID-19 Asymptomatic Staff Testing Programme Across Aspire Academies

Every primary school in England now has access to rapid coronavirus testing for staff only. This testing, known as lateral flow testing, for our staff, is now taking place twice a week.

Please be aware that in a positive test scenario, you may receive communication of a bubble closure (if your child is in school) at extremely short notice, before school, on the morning of the closure. You will be informed by text so please check your text messages from 8am onwards on a Monday and a Thursday morning.

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Reporting Positive COVID-19 Test (out of hours)

If you receive a positive COVID-19 test, in the first instance please contact the school office by phone. If the office is closed, please complete the form at the link below to report a positive test.

http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/coronavirus

<u>Attendance</u>		
Our school target for		
attendance is 96%		
1st Place	Year R	99.3 %
2 nd Place	Year 1	96.7 %
3 rd Place	Year 2	96.6 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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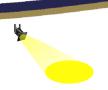
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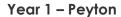
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Year R - Sophie

For independently writing an impressive fairy tale, using her phonic knowledge to write full sentences.



For his fantastic attitude to work and for creating a super sea safety poster. Well done Peyton!



Year 2 - Kiani

For writing a detailed description of Queen Elizabeth II and transferring her new phonics words into other writing.



For his enthusiasm, laughter and hard work when designing and making his Puppet Theatre.



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Year 4 - Charlie D

For his resilience and perseverance in everything he attempts. Charlie always gives 100% and particularly in PE this week, when finding things tricky he showed a fantastic growth mindset. Well done Charlie – keep it up!



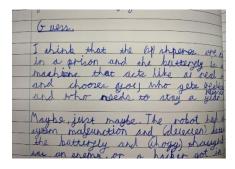
Year 5 – Beth and Holly

For the way in which you challenge and support each other to improve every day. Your creative writing reflects the detailed discussions you've had to create an appropriate tone for the task.



Year 6 - Viktoras

For his superb creativity and imagination. Viktoras is able to think of new, wonderfully brave ideas which he displayed this week when predicting the end of the Robot and Butterfly film.



Performer of the Week

Callum in Year 5

This is awarded for recording the greatest number of steps in a week using the new Moki Fitness trackers. Callum's total was 30,339 steps. Well done Callum!

Kind Regards,

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