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Dear Parents and Carers.

And here we are at the end of another half term and what a half term it has been. Lots of testing and assessments but we have still managed to have lots of fun in school as we always aim to do. Well done to all our amazing pupils who continue to make us proud all the time and a big thank you to all our staff who have worked harder than ever to support all the children and keep everything calm in school. It was the best ever turn out so far at our Drop In this week. It is so lovely to get to chat with you all and talk about what we can improve, what activities you would like school to offer and to answer any questions that you may have. It is very informal and relaxed and you can even get your blood pressure checked!!! If you haven't been along to any so far please come along and join in the conversations. I would like us all to work together to help us make our school even better! I have tried to put all the dates on the newsletter for the rest of the school year. Many of the events will need more explanation or detail and this will come out nearer the time. In the meantime, please feel free to email me or ring school if you have any questions.

We will be working on our school website over the summer and we would love your thoughts. We know there are some changes that need to be made but would love to know what you would like to be on there and what would make it easier for you to use. We really want it to be one of the main points of communication moving forwards. There will be a box at reception for you to drop your comments into or come along to one of our Drop Ins.

## <u>Attendance</u>





19/5/23

Group	% Attendance
Cherry	90.0
Willow	90.3
Beech	94.8
Oak	91.3
School	91.8

A move in the right direction for the whole school. Let's see if we can improve it further next half term! Ten minutes of extra playtime go to Beech Class again and I think as they are so close to the 95% mark they can have another letter towards their Halebank Attendance Treat. A continued well done to Reception who are maintaining a much better weekly attendance!

Cleanest class award goes to Cherry Class so treats are coming your way from Mr and Mrs Boon.



# STARS OF THE WEEK



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Lincoln	Mason	All of Y2	Robin	Lacey	Lexi	Louis B

Lunchtime Awards – Top Table

Cherry	Class	Willow Class		Beech Class		Oak Class	
Naya	Phoebe-k	Oliver - S	Vinny	Marley-S	Sofia-B	Scarlett-T	Noah



#### READING CHAMPIONS



Cherry Class	Willow Class	Beech Class	Oak Class
Bobby	Warren	Georgie	Reece

#### WRITING CHAMPIONS

Cherry Class	Willow Class	Beech Class	Oak Class
Naya	Alice	Miah	Amelia

### **MATHEMATICS CHAMPIONS**

Cherry Class	Willow Class	Beech Class	Oak Class
Imogen	Elilia	Molly	Noah

# Parent Information

FSM Vouchers for the upcoming half term will be issued on Monday May 29th.

All parents of children in Willow class need to give consent for their Castle Trip using the school Gateway App. Payments can be made this way too, in instalments or one payment.

We are still looking for somebody to be a parent Governor at Halebank. This is a crucial role and we are keen to recruit in time for September. There are some time commitments associated with the role but it can be incredibly rewarding too. Please contact school if you are interested and would like to find out more about this role.

A plea – if you have any complete chess sets (or other board games) that you no longer use, would you be willing to donate them to school? We have a few aspiring players and a few desperate to learn so we would like to set up a lunchtime club.



School closed - INSET May 26th June 5th **School Reopens** Website Photos (and Reception and Y6) June 5th June 7th **Drop In session** June 8th SIAMs Keeping in Touch Day June 9th Year 5 Drumming Performance (parents invited) June 12th - 16th Phonics Screening (Y1) Willow class to Hoghton Tower June 13th June 14th Y1/Y2 AIM HIGH WRITING DAY June 14th Leaver's Service at Liverpool Cathedral June 15th KS1 Poetry Buzz with Paul Delaney June 16th **Gambling Workshop Y6** June 19th – 23rd Arts Week June 21st - 23rd Year 5/6 Residential Trip June 26th **Coffee Morning** June 26th – 30th Halebank Book Fair June 27th Infant Music Festival June 28th Y5/6 Aspirations day with paul Delaney June 29th New Starter Stay and Play session with parents July 3rd - 5th Saint Peter and Paul and OCA transition days for Year 6 **Halebank School transition** July 5th SEND Drop In (more info to follow) July 6th **Poetry Buzz** July 6th New starter home visits start July 10th and 11th New starter transition days in Reception July 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Halebank Does Eurovision July 17th **Sports Day** July 18th **Leavers Party** July 18th Leaver's Service School Finishes for summer 1.30pm July 19th

## Our Prayer for half term:

## Dear god,

Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun. Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term. We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents and a community that cares for us. May we always be conscious of you in our lives.

#### **Amen**

From all the staff at Halebank may we wish you a happy holiday. See you all on June 5<sup>th</sup>. The photographer will be in school to take some new photographs for our website. Any of the children may be selected for photographs on the day.

Mrs C Warner Headteacher