

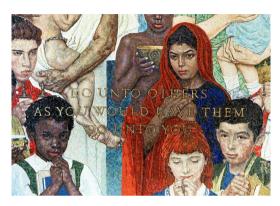
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Dear Parents and Carers



Stars of the Week

This week's Stars of the Week have been linked to our collective worship theme of respect. We have continued to look at one of our school rules, 'We are respectful'. We have focused in particular on the importance of valuing everyone and expressing our ideas and opinions sensitively. Perhaps you could talk to your child about the words in the Golden Rule mosaic (left): 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you'. Well done to the following

children for showing respect throughout the week:



Reception	Darcie-Rae: for always treating others with kindness		
Year 1	Sofia: for showing respect and listening to others		
Year 2	Oscar: for always thinking of others		
Year 3	Lyla: for being a kind and caring member of Class 3		
Year 4	Quin: for always thinking of others		
Year 5	Poppy: for being kind and respectful to everyone		
Year 6	Maddie: for being helpful and having a good attitude to work		

Staffing News

I am delighted that our permanent class-based staff will all be with us next year, although there will be some shuffling around for 2021-22. Our class and staffing structure for the new academic year will be as follows:

Class/Year group/s	Teacher/s	Teaching Assistant
Class 1: Reception	Mrs Power	Mrs Harris
Class 2: Year 1/2	Mrs Draper	Mrs Gibson
Class 3: Year 3/4	Mrs Bennett	Mrs White
Class 4: Year 5/6	Mrs Eley (Mon-Thu) Mrs Griffin-Jones (Fri)	Mrs Jackson

We are planning to provide opportunities on Monday and Tuesday next week for the children to meet and work with their new classes in order to support the transition process. The children should continue to come in and out of school through the same doors and at the same times at the start and end of the day.

Mr Washington

In other staffing news, we will be saying goodbye to our caretaker at the end of the school year. Mr Paul Washington will be retiring in August and we will be very sad to lose him. We are currently in the process of recruiting a new caretaker and I will keep you posted when this has been completed.

Covid-19 Update

Attached to this week's newsletter is a 'How do I tell the difference between hay fever and COVID-19?' leaflet from Halton Borough Council. Schools have been asked to share this with their families. Public Health have advised schools that a recent study highlights that positive cases increase around birthdays. Parents and carers are asked to remember that social activity continues to be safer outdoors and that indoor mixing should take place in well ventilated areas.

We are expecting to receive updated guidance from the Department of Education before the end of term regarding the easing of restrictions, including the organisation of class bubbles and the staggered start/end of the school day. I will confirm any changes to you as soon as I can in time for September.



Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
Thomas W	Lottie	Amber	Lucie

As We Approach the End of the Year...

I finished last week's newsletter with a note that the children are in need of as much rest and relaxation as possible over the weekend. It is worth saying again that this has been a strange and exhausting year for the children in school; there has been a great deal of uncertainty and, unsurprisingly, all of this is continuing to have an impact on their learning and wellbeing.

Some of the children are very tired now and really do need to rest as much as possible during their evenings and weekends. Staff are working extremely hard to ensure that the children are working well with their peers, and that they are kind and respectful to one another. Please find the time to talk to your child about his/her school day; ask about the positives and the successes. We know that this has been a difficult time for many children in our school and we want everyone to get the most out of these final weeks. Thank you for your continued support.

I hope you and your families have a restful weekend.

Yours sincerely

Richard Harley

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