

Friday, 15th November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers



Children in Need

On behalf of the Pupil Parliament, I would like to thank you for supporting Children in Need. Many children designed creative and imaginative sports kits for Pudsey as part of the school competition and the standard was very high! Class winners were announced in collective worship this morning and all pupils who participated received a special Pudsey sticker. The Pupil Parliament would like to thank everyone for sending in their entries and for taking part in the **BIG MORNING MOVE** earlier today. After all that exercise, I think everyone is ready for the weekend!

Parents' Afternoon/Evening

Thank you for attending this week's Parents' Afternoon/Evening. It was great to see so many of you in school, meeting with class teachers and having a look at the children's work. Staff managed to see almost everyone which is good news. If you were unable to attend, please speak to your child's teacher or contact the school office as soon as possible.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Class 1	Lily: for using her phonics knowledge in her writing
Class 2	Summer: for working hard using number bonds to 10, 20 and 100
Class 3	Romily: for super methods of addition
Class 4	Evie J: for beautiful art work and consistent hard work



Remembrance

If you haven't seen the lovely remembrance poppies that the children have created, do have a look. Each child made and laid a poppy near to the school gates. They look really effective and appear to be weatherproof; thankfully, they have survived this week's wild winds and torrential rain! I would also like to thank the families who attended the Remembrance Parade on Sunday and the children who proudly carried our school banner and laid our wreath.

School Uniform

I know from talking to you and listening to your feedback that you value the importance of the children coming into school looking smart in their school uniforms. This week we have noticed a few children wearing trainers rather than school shoes. I would be grateful of your support in this matter to ensure that there is fairness and consistency across the school. The school's uniform guidelines stipulate black school **shoes**. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



ATTENDANCE HEROES



Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Whole School
92.4%	93.0%	95.8%	97.3%	94.7%



Foodbank Thanks

We have received a thank you message from the Widnes Foodbank following your kind donations and our Harvest celebrations:

*To all at Halebank Primary School,
THANK YOU for supporting Widnes Foodbank. Your recent Harvest donation was the equivalent of 211 meals; that's 11,495 altogether since you started supporting us. WOW! Fantastic! Your support is making a BIG difference to local people in crisis.*



25th November: Classes 1 and 2 visit to Farmer Ted's

5th December 6.30 pm: Family Bingo (in school)

11th December 1.30 pm: Christmas performance (afternoon)

12th December 6.30 pm: Christmas performance (evening)



Anti-Bullying Week

This week, all children in school have been reviewing their understanding of bullying. Across the school, the children have participated in activities to help them make 'small changes that can make a big difference' to their school and home relationships. As part of the week, Class 1 pupils led a fantastic collective worship for the whole school where they shared some of the pledges they have been making to one another. They even performed a beautiful rendition of 'You've got a friend in me' which delighted us all!

The theme for this year's national anti-bullying work in schools is '**Change starts with us**'. We have talked about our shared responsibility in making school a safe and happy place where everyone has the right to learn and play together. The children have been practising the use of positive language and they may want to try this out at home with you:



I hope you all have a fantastic weekend. See you on Monday!

Yours sincerely

Richard Harley

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