

Friday, 25th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Covid-19 Update

While restrictions have been lifted across the country, the virus continues to be in circulation and we have had several positive cases confirmed within the school community. I am aware that a number of schools in Halton are also experiencing an increase in cases. If your child does display any of the three main symptoms and/or tests positive, please inform the school as soon as possible and we will offer support and guidance. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Personal Development Strengths



This week's personal development strength is **empathy**. Please talk to your child about the importance of cooperating with and understanding the feelings of others. Maybe you could play some games together this weekend to promote turn taking and fairness. Well done to the following children who have demonstrated their ability to understand and think of others first:



Reception	Jessica: for understanding how friends feel when they are sad and for helping them to feel better
Year 1	Emelia: for showing empathy and forgiveness to her friends
Year 2	Robin: for being a role model of empathy in Class 2
Year 3	Marley: for showing empathy and being a considerate member of class
Year 4	Lexi: for being empathetic and looking after her classmates
Year 5	Reece: for putting the needs of others first
Year 6	Collina: for always being aware of others and wanting to help

Parents' Evening Appointments

The staff are looking forward to meeting with you all to discuss the children's progress and achievements next week. Please arrive promptly for your appointment/s and sign in at the main entrance prior to entering the school building. Please help the staff by sticking to your pre-booked **10 minute** appointment slot, so that other parents and carers are not left waiting. Thank you.



READING CHAMPIONS



Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
Dotty	Lyla	Lyla	Poppy

Red Nose Day

Thanks to your kind donations, the school has raised **£100** for **Comic Relief**. If you'd like to add to our total, there are still a couple of days left to make a donation:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/halebank-school>.

Summer Term After School Clubs

The system for booking next half term's after school clubs will go live early next week and will close at **5.00 pm** on **Monday, 18th April**. Clubs will start during the first week of the summer term, immediately after the Easter break.

Easter Service: Thursday, 31st March at 9.30 am

We are going ahead with our planned Easter Service which will be led by Reverend Roland and Class 4 pupils. On this occasion, **we are only inviting parents of Class 4 pupils to the event** (no more than 2 guests per child, please). We plan to record some of the children's songs and readings which we will share with you virtually at the end of term. We feel that keeping visitor numbers relatively small when we are still experiencing some positive cases of Covid is the safest and most sensible option at the current time.

Mrs Draper

At the end of next week, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Draper as she begins her maternity leave. We wish Mrs Draper and her husband all the very best for the exciting months ahead and we will keep you posted with any news as and when it arrives. Mrs Draper is planning to return to the Halebank team some time next academic year.

Prayer of the Week: Praying with open hands



Dear Lord,

Thank you that you forgive us completely.

When people hurt us, please help us not to bear grudges,
and instead, ask for your strength to forgive.

Amen

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend and that all the mums have a lovely Mothering Sunday!

Yours sincerely

Richard Harley

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Headteacher