



Dear Parents/Carers,

Respect

This term's value is Respect and the children have been working hard on all our values in the classroom and around school. We have talked about different ways of showing respect and this week's assembly focused on kindness. I talked to the children about random acts of kindness and the importance of manners i.e. saying please and thank you, holding the door open for someone, moving to one side in the corridor when people are walking past and paying someone a compliment. We also talked about helping others, such as with jobs or when a friend is hurt or feeling sad. I hope you are seeing some of these things at home too.

NSPCC-Speak out. Stay safe

We have delivered the pre-recorded virtual assemblies to our children in school and the follow up lessons with engaging pupil activities and resources provided by the NSPCC are being delivered next week. On Friday 9th February our Y2, Y3, Y5 and Y6 children will part in face-to-face workshops delivered by trained NSPCC staff. This is a valuable programme that is rolled out to schools annually.

Battery Collection Box

We now have a battery collection box for you to recycle your old batteries. The box is in the school entrance so please do pop in and discard any batteries for recycling. Thank you.

A few reminders:

- Please ensure you telephone school each day that your child is poorly to inform the school office. If you anticipate they will be off for a few days, please let the office know on 01522 730244. Also, please telephone school (not Dojo message) to let us know of any last-minute changes to end of day collection.
- Please ensure long hair is tied back during the school day-this helps prevent headlice being passed around the school.
- The school doors open at 8:45am and close at 8:55am. Registers are taken at 8:55 so it is vital that children are in school. We have had a number of 'late' attendees to school. **Being 5 minutes late to school every day adds up to 3 days of lost education per year.**
- *Please remember that if children are ill with vomiting and/or diarrhoea, they need to be off school until 48 hours after their last episode.*

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Diary Dates

Tuesday 3 rd February	Maple class trip to Creswell Craggs
Friday 6 th February	FOIS Disco
Tuesday 10 th February	Oak class trip to Holocaust Centre
Friday 13 th February	Waterstones Children's Festival Year 5/6 End of Term 3
Monday 23 rd February	Start of Term 4
Thursday 2 nd April	End of Term 4
Tuesday 21 st April	Start of Term 5
Friday 22 nd May	End of Term 5
Monday 1 st June	Start of Term 6
Wednesday 22 nd July	Leavers Assembly End of School Year

Mrs Burrows

It is Mrs Burrows' last day today in Y5/6 before she begins her maternity leave. I know you will all join me in wishing her well-she will be missed. Mrs Burrows is planning on returning in the Autumn term.

As always, please do pop and see me or catch me at the gate if you have any queries or concerns. Have a lovely weekend.

K A Hutchinson

Mrs Hutchinson
Headteacher