



NEWSLETTER 12 – 26th November 2021

A quote: "Promise me you'll always remember you're braver than you believe, you are stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week children have been focussed on many different assessments that have been taking place. Each big term we have to share data with ODST and these assessments help drive what we share – this sits alongside the work produced in class as well. This has proved to be a little trickier with the Covid cases and illnesses that we have had and we will aim for children to catch up in the coming weeks if they have missed any - (I know some have had copies sent home).

I will continue to send a daily email next week to you all regarding Covid/Illness in the school. Mrs Hughes' 10 days finish on Sunday so we are welcoming her back on Monday.

KS1 children had a fabulous trip to the Pantomime this week to see Rapunzel. This was a tale of love conquering evil and there were plenty of traditional pantomime parts with the children having a thoroughly enjoyable time – thank you to all the staff who made this happen.

This week was meant to be the second Parent forum but for a number of reasons this could not take place. One area that I am keen to develop is the communication and combined work with parents and school. We have held a couple of curriculum evenings as part of this and will continue next term too with them. If you feel you could offer 1 hour once a term as part of the parent forum then please do let the office know.

Talking of the Office it has been an unfortunate week with both staff members off sick. We have as a school pulled together to man it and respond to emails and calls.

The Final of the Cross Country took place today and despite the fairly unsettled weather children were fantastic in representing the school. A report is overleaf.

Next week its December! We will launch the festivities on Wednesday with Christmas Jumper Day – this is in exchange for a PTFA item and we also have Let's make Christmas Afternoon. We have the Christmas Tree festival also and fingers crossed for our PTFA Bazaar – do look out for revised details about this early next week.

I hope you all have a great weekend,

Mrs Smith, Headteacher

Other useful information:

All **school run clubs** finish week beginning 29th November – this is except for Rugby which due to Mr Pemble's absence will run for an extra week.

The **flu immunisation** will take place on Monday 13th December - further information from the School Health Nursing Team has been emailed today with the newsletter.

Diary Week: 29th Nov

Mon	
Tues	
Wed	Christmas Jumper Day for PTFA donation. Let's Make Christmas afternoon
Thurs	
Fri	Toucans and Herons Swimming Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's PTFA Bazaar 5-7.30pm

Attendance: Let's just say that understandably this was low this week!

NO NUT PRODUCTS IN SCHOOL Please could you ensure that no items that contain nuts are sent into school due to the fact we have children with serious nut allergies – this includes peanut butter, nuts as a snack and some breads may contain nuts too.

Plea! If you have any **spare swimming clothes**, we would grateful for these as spares please. Also, we are setting up Lego therapy and would appreciate any donations of unwanted **Lego**. Thank you.

We have 2 job vacancies currently in the school:

Handy person/caretaker role - approx.12 flexible hours p/w asap
Front of House Administrator - 35 hours p/week needed for Jan 22

Please look for details on the website – Our School, Vacancies

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Owls	Sehr Y for great maths skills when counting amounts, then practicing during free flow exploring Kitty Rose for super singing and doing the actions as we learn our new songs.
Puffins	Olivia R for really exploring the learning environment and having a go at every activity with care and focus Myles O for being a really helpful member of The Aviary, always looking to what jobs need to be done
Penguins	Zoe F for showing lovely imagination in the small word area pretending to be Rainbow Fish. Ivy D for demonstrating great enthusiasm in a maths task where she had to put the correct number of scales onto Rainbow Fish.
Flamingos	Imogen MK for a positive approach towards her learning in all subjects this week. Mylo O'H for making good choices in the classroom and for being courageous with friendships
Peacocks	Freddie S for challenging himself to keep working through tricky problems Bella CB for sharing great ideas in our RE work this week
Woodpeckers	Ollie P for super maths work and making different values using coins Trixie H for always showing a positive attitude to her work and trying her best
Hummingbirds	Lily R for being determined during her writing test to produce her best work. Finley B for showing perseverance to rebuild his Stone Age home twice.
Parrots	Mikhail D for making excellent progress with his reading comprehension. He reads the text carefully and offers good ideas to discussions about our texts. Rudy K for working so well with his partner in during our science investigation this week. He concentrated hard to measure accurately and made good observations.
Toucans	Ryan M for developing his confidence to answer questions and helping his friends this week Talia WE for being determined in Maths this week and solving tricky word problems
Hérons	Aiden WE for participating really well in French today. Herons Class for showing great determination and perseverance in their assessments this week.
Kingfishers	Hugo S for inspired contributions in Literacy writing this week. Zac G really working hard in maths in long division and showing superb calculation skills.
Headteacher Value Awards	None this week

HOUSE POINTS: [This week's winning house was Mulberry](#)

[Online #Wakeupwednesday-](#) This is an information page produced by National Online Safety about key reminders for parents relating to online safety. **This weeks theme: CryptoCurrency**

Out of school achievements- Shout out and well done to:

Lauren W for achieving her Silver Swimming Challenge Certificate and badge
Matteo G for achieving 2 medals in Karate after competing in his first competition.
Ted L for achieving his first Gold at Archery – not once but 4 times!

Primary School Applications

Parents of children born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 (inclusive) need to apply for an infant or primary school place for September 2022.

Key dates for applications:

2 Nov 2021

Applications open.

15 Jan 2022

Closing date for applications.

To apply online please click [here](#)

Cross Country Final at Sibford School

Friday 26th November 2021

We all did really well despite the terrible weather. It was still good fun though but we did all have to work really hard.

Mollie M came first out of all the year 3/4 girls which was amazing!

They Year 3/4 boys team came first overall as well.

We all did really well.

I enjoyed it a lot because I love Running.

By Rose W

3 certificates were awarded for determination. These went to Vinnie, Marine and Racel.

Thank you to the staff who attended, braced the weather and supported the children being able to go.