

Harvest Festival



It was great to see so many of you in church yesterday for our Harvest Festival. We're sure you'll agree that the children performed excellently and we would like to thank Reverend Mark Cantrill for his part in making the afternoon a success.

We would also like to say a huge thank you to all of you for your incredibly kind donations for the Bassetlaw Food Bank. You have been very generous and today we sent 24 bags of food to the charity and 7 packs of nappies!



Always Always Tea Party

Today, the 'Always Always' children were invited to attend a tea party with Mrs Cowell-Clark in her office. These children are considered to always be kind and well-mannered, always be hardworking and always be considerate throughout their time in school. Each week the teachers nominate children to be added to the 'pot' and Mrs Cowell-Clark pulls out one name per class from year 1 to year 6 each half term to attend the tea party. Congratulations to Lydia E, Lola W, Joey S, Olivia M, Daisy A and Grace H.



Retford Rotary Club

Retford Rotary Club are promoting Polio Eradication and the purple crocus campaign by offering every Primary school in Retford and the surrounding districts a kilo of crocuses to plant! There will be a prize of £100 for the best display (can be a really interesting or whacky design) when they flower in the Spring. We are taking part in this and can't wait to see the results!



Fundraising sale

During the week commencing 4th November and week commencing 18th November, Classes 3 and 6 will be selling goodies at first break in order to raise money for their upcoming 'Amazon and Beyond' Workshop. In the first week they will be selling cereal bars at 50p each and in the second week they will be holding a bake sale. These will be priced at 50p each too. If your child wishes to buy anything during these 2 weeks, please send them to school with their money in a named purse/wallet or envelope.

Poppy Appeal

During the week commencing 4th November we will be selling merchandise for this year's Poppy Appeal. You will be receiving a Parentmail with the poster detailing what is for sale and the suggested donation of each item. If your child wishes to buy anything, please send them with their money in a named envelope or purse/wallet. These items will be on sale during first break each day.



Parent Consultations

You will have received a Parentmail message telling you that Parent Consultation bookings will be going live tonight at 8pm. You can go in to the system and select which day and time you would like to see your child's teacher. Please note that appointments are strictly 10 minutes and teachers will be bringing the appointment to an end after this time. If you need longer then you must arrange a different appointment with the teacher at a mutually convenient time.

Mrs Russell Celebration Assembly

As you know, we are holding a celebration assembly for Mrs Russell on Thursday 14th November at 2pm. We will be having a collection in order to buy her a leaving gift. If anybody would like to contribute to this, please feel free. Just pop the money in to the office. There is absolutely no expectation for you to do this, but if you wish to do so, donations will be gratefully received.



Clocks

Just a reminder that the clocks go back on Sunday 27th October. Let's hope the children have the extra hour in bed!



Sport

This week our children have attended 2 different sporting events. The first was on Wednesday and was Tag Rugby at Retford Oaks Academy and the second was on Thursday and was Sports Hall Athletics, also at Retford Oaks. The children all performed brilliantly and showed their resilience skills, well done everyone!

On the 16th of October some members from class 5 and 6 went to a tag rugby tournament at Retford Oaks. We played 6 games. We drew two, we won two and we lost two. We all played brilliantly together with our amazing teamwork and running/dodging skills. We all scored at least two goals each. Everybody had a great time at this excellent experience and we would definitely like to go next time. The people who took part were: Isaac, Matthew, Matty, George, Charlie, Ella, Olivia, Tillie and Faith.

By Olivia and Ella in Class 5.

On the 17th of October some members from year 5 and 6 went to athletics at Retford Oaks. The people who went were: Tillie, Faith, Charlie, Olivia, Ella, Isaac, Matthew, Tehya, Emilia, Freddie S, Zak and Reuben. Firstly we did the field events which were: speed bounce, triple jump, long jump, javelin, chest push and shot put.

After all the field events we did the track races, which we were amazing at. We managed to win the majority of them.

However we didn't perform great in the field events so when those points were added to the track events we finished in 4th place overall.

Well done to all the children who took part.

By Olivia and Ella in Class 5

New Kit

As a school we have received a football kit kindly sponsored by McDonalds. We would like to thank Mr Beeharry for helping to support the school. Look out for us wearing it in our football fixtures after half term.



Halloween Safety

Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to child safety. There are several easy and effective behaviours that parents can share with kids to help reduce their risk of injury.



Top Tips

1. Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colours. Since masks can sometimes obstruct a child's vision, try non-toxic face paint and make up whenever possible.
2. Get children you use glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers
3. Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision.
4. When selecting a costume make sure it is the correct size to prevent trips and falls, and flame resistant
5. Never enter anybody's home, accept sweets from outside
6. Respect people's homes and only knock if houses are lit. Don't knock repeatedly
7. Remember your manners
8. Above all be safe and have fun!

Bonfire Night Safety

The following website is excellent and has some great tips for a fun and safe Bonfire Night

www.bonfire-night-safety.co.uk



Star of the week

The 'stars' for week commencing 14th October are:

Class 1	Isla O
Class 2	Daniel B
Class 3	Gracie-May W
Class 4	Joseph T
Class 5	Lucy H
Class 6	Holly E



Attendance

Week ending October 11th 2019

Class 1	97.14%
Class 2	96.88%
Class 3	96.25%
Class 4	98.33%
Class 5	95.88%
Class 6	100%



Well done to Class 6!

This half terms attendance is won by Class 4, great job everyone!

House Points

This week's House Points running totals are:

Attenborough
Wilberforce
Pankhurst
Hawking



Unfortunately house points have not been calculated this week.

Half-termly awards:

Accelerated Reader 'Smashers' for this half term:



Class 3	Leah B, Saffron B, Sarina B, Joel F, Anya H, Arthur L, Molly M, Luke O, Ruby P, Kai S, Joey S, Emilia W, Isabella W
Class 4	Isabella B-B, Freddie G, Olivia M, Rose P, Chloe R, Amelie S, Hera W
Class 5	Charlie A, Freddie A, Emilia A, Daisy A, Zara B, Tehya B, Lucy H, Laurie L, Rosie L, Olivia O
Class 6	Holly E, Matthew H, Grace H, Tillie M, Malachi R, Carla T

Merit:

Class 1	Isabella R
Class 2	Lola W
Class 3	Molly M
Class 4	Harrison McB
Class 5	Lucy H
Class 6	Matthew G



Courtesy:

Class 1	Maisie-Lou S
Class 2	Charlotte C
Class 3	Arthur L
Class 4	Lily T
Class 5	Reuben M
Class 6	Carla T
Office	Daisy H
Breakfast Club	Grace H



Lunchtime Superstars:

Reception	Freddie O
Class 1	Casey T
Class 2	Piper O'C
Class 3	Arthur L
Class 4	Lily T
Class 5	Zara B
Class 6	Carla T



Out of school achievements

Just a polite reminder that the deadline for anything you wish to appear in a newsletter is 4pm on the Thursday of that week. Anything later than this will be included in the next week's newsletter.

Congratulations to Annabelle H in Nursery for performing brilliantly in her first dance show at the Majestic Theatre in Retford. Super work Belle!



A big well done to Freddie G in Class 4 for being awarded 'Trainee of the week' at football training last week. Freddie trains twice a week with Blyth Bombers.



A huge well done to Grace H in Class 6 for passing her Stage 9 swimming award this Week. Awesome work Grace!



School dates for your diaries:

October

18th Last day of term
21st Half term begins

November

4th Autumn 2 term starts
Environmental arts week
8th Pop-up exhibition
12th Parent consultations
13th Parent consultations
14th Flu vaccinations – Reception to year 6
Mrs Russell's celebration assembly 2pm – all welcome
15th Children in Need Day – non-uniform £1
21st Key Stage 1 (Class1 & 2) assembly. All parents/carers welcome, 3pm start

December

3rd Scholastic book fayre begins
5th Year 6 Christingle making
10th Scholastic book fayre ends
12th Foundation stage Nativity
13th Foundation stage Nativity
Key Stage 1 Nativity in church 2pm
Christmas Jumper Day £1
16th Key Stage 1 Nativity in school 2pm
17th Key Stage 1 Nativity in school 9.30am
18th Key Stage 2 carols around the tree 3pm
19th Christmas Fayre (time to be confirmed) **NEW**
Last day of term for pupils
20th INSET day

January

6th Term begins

