

Newsletter Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

2<sup>nd</sup> Autumn Term – 8 weeks (Week 1)

Dear Parents,



### Attendance

Whole school attendance for the last week of term was **95.2%**. **Let's try and reach our whole school target of 97% this week.**

The winners for best attendance this week are; Key Stage 1, **2JH**, and for Key Stage 2, **4RW** - Well done to those classes in particular.

Class	Caterpillars AM	Caterpillars PM	Nursery AM	Nursery PM	Busy-Bees	Lady-birds	1CM	1LW	2JH
Lates	1	0	1	0	1	5	2	1	0
Attendance	77.5%	97.5%	96.7%	68.9%	89.8%	94.7%	96%	95.9%	97%

Class	2SL	3LW	3OM	4AH	4RW	5AJ	5NW	6LMC	6MP
Lates	2	4	1	0	5	1	1	3	3
Attendance	96.3%	98%	96.3%	99%	100%	97.4%	95.3%	96.7%	94.9%



This award is given to the classes with the fewest amount of late children in a week. The winner of **Beat the Bell** last week for EYFS & Key Stage 1 is **2JH**, and the winner for Key Stage 2 is **4AH**. **Well done everyone!**



This award is given to classes that have shown an outstanding attitude to learning or behaviour. The winners this week are **2JH and 5SH**.



This award is given in the Achievement Assembly on the previous week, and is awarded to two children who had 100% attendance that week. Last week's winners were **Binyamin Ghanchi (1LW) and Maryam Bux (4AH)**. **Well done!**

### Pikes Lane Promises

Every month we will share with you one of the promises that we are focusing on in school. The promise this month is:

**Respect ALL others and always react and respond calmly**



We are having an increasing number of children being taken out of school for appointments. **Please try to make appointments out of school time.** Every minute that a child is out of school means that they are missing valuable learning time, and it is disruptive not only to the child going to the appointment, but also to the other children in the class, when we have to collect your child and interrupt the lesson.

**If you have a Nursery am/pm children it is essential that you make their appointments out of school time.** They are only in school for 3 hours a day, and have a number of holidays. Nursery children can get very upset when a different member of staff has to collect them, and take them through school to their parents.

If your child or your family need to go to the dentist please make routine six monthly check-ups in the school holidays. Whilst we appreciate that it is difficult to get a dental appointment, it is possible to arrange a number of months in advance for a check-up in the holidays.

We also understand that hospital/paediatrician appointments cannot always be rearranged for the holidays, and emergency dental treatment must be done as soon as possible.

If an appointment is unavoidable we must see proof of the appointment, and **children must only be out of school for the total length of the appointment.** If a child has an appointment at lunch time, they **must** come in school in the morning, and then be brought back straight after the appointment.

If it is absolutely essential that you take your child out of school for an appointment, please let the office staff know in the morning to ensure that your child is not in an assembly. **A proof of appointment must be seen, or your child will be given an unauthorised absence. When a child receives a number of unauthorised absences the parents are subject to a fine from the local authority.**

# What's Happening

**Children in Need £1 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

**Year 1 and 2 (KS1) pantomime trip – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Christmas Jumper Day £1 for Save the Children – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Years 1-6 (KS1 and KS2) Christmas Singalong – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Caterpillars, Butterflies and Reception Christmas Singalong (EYFS) – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Christmas Dinner Day – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Christmas party day (party clothes to be worn) – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2017**

**Non Uniform Day for school funds £1 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017**

**Christmas Holidays: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2017 to Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 inclusive – Children return on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

**February half term: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018 to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018**

**Easter Holidays: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Children return on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**May Half Term: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May to Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June inclusive. Children return on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**Term ends on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

## It's Good to Talk Day!

Next week on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November** we will be having a whole school fairy tale themed day. Children are welcome to come in fairy tale outfits, or bring a teddy or favourite fairy tale book, but please do not feel that you have to go out and buy an outfit if you don't already have one. If they do not have an outfit, they can just come in normal school uniform!

