

Newsletter Date: 1st December 2017

2nd Autumn Term – 8 weeks (Week 5)

Dear Parents,



Attendance

Whole school attendance for the last week of term was **91.9%**. **Let's try and reach our whole school target of 97.5% this week. Please be reassured that if your child is not well during the school day, we will phone you so that they can go home. If they have a fever or a headache when they wake in the morning, they may feel better after some medicine, and able to come in school. Well done to Caterpillars PM – The rest of EYFS really need to improve their attendance.**

The winner for best attendance this week is **3LW** - Well done to this class in particular.

Class	Caterpillars AM	Caterpillars PM	Nursery AM	Nursery PM	Busy-Bees	Lady-birds	1CM	1LW	2JH
Lates	0	0	2	4	5	3	3	3	3
Attendance	90%	97.5%	86.2%	75.2%	89.1%	87%	93.7%	93.2%	95.7%

Class	2SL	3LW	3OM	4AH	4RW	5AJ	5NW	6LMC	6MP
Lates	3	4	0	6	7	2	4	7	4
Attendance	89%	98.7%	96.9%	97.3%	97.2%	96.5%	81%	93.7%	87.9%



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 **1CM**, and the winner for Key Stage 2 is **3OM**. **Well done everyone!**



This award is given to classes that have shown an outstanding attitude to learning or behaviour. The winners this week are **1LW, 3OM and 6LMC**.



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 **Rahima Kadir (1CM) and Uzair Patel (4RW)**. **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:

Look after our school and everything in it

Pikes Hike to the Pike

We are holding a 5km sponsored walk for parents, to raise money for Bolton Hospice on **Thursday 7th December at 9am.**

The walk will be held on school grounds, and there is no entry fee, but we would hope that you could raise a minimum of £5 per person.

Sponsor forms are available from Mrs Lowe in the morning before school. Refreshments will be served on the day. Fancy dress optional!



Homework Club Workshop

The Homework Club Workshop on **Monday** will be linked to reading for Key Stage 1 and 2 (Years 1-6).

Remember: Homework Club must be attended by children and parents together.

Holidays

Please only take holidays during the holiday period.

Always check on the school website, not Bolton Council's website, as schools are allowed to choose their own holidays. The ones on the Council website are only a guideline for schools.

Reminder: Pashto/Farsi Speaking Parents

We would like to invite you for tea/biscuits and a chat on **Wednesday 6th December at 2pm.**



Year 1 and 2 (KS1) pantomime trip – Thursday 14th December 2017

Christmas Jumper Day £1 for Save the Children – Friday 15th December 2017

Years 1-6 (KS1 and KS2) Christmas Singalong – Tuesday 19th December 2017 (time tbc)

Caterpillars, Butterflies and Reception Christmas Singalong (EYFS) – Wednesday 20th December 2017 (time tbc)

Christmas Dinner Day – Wednesday 20th December 2017

Christmas party day (party clothes to be worn all day) – Thursday 21st December 2017

Non Uniform Day for school funds £1 – Friday 22nd December 2017

Christmas Holidays: Monday 25th December 2017 to Monday 8th January 2018 inclusive – Children return on Tuesday 9th January 2018

Year 2 Class Assembly – Wednesday 31st January

February half term: Monday 19th February 2018 to Friday 23rd February 2018

Easter Holidays: Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April 2018. Children return on Monday 16th April 2018

May Half Term: Monday 28th May to Monday 4th June inclusive. Children return on Tuesday 5th June 2018

Term ends on Friday 20th July 2018

Information from the Town Hall regarding Reception class 2018 for nursery children

The paper application forms for Reception 2018 starters will be sent out to parents next week (week commencing 4th December). **Any parents who have not applied on line will be sent an application form.**

The closing date for **all** applications is **15th January 2018.**

Parents applying under the faith criteria for a Church of England school have been asked to return the completed supplementary form direct to the school. Parents applying under medical grounds for their child will need to return the evidence by the closing date.

*Please note that just because your child attends Pikes Lane Nursery, it **DOES NOT** guarantee them a place in Reception class.

