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## Headteacher's Note

It has been another busy few weeks in school with lots of exciting learning taking place. The children have been busy preparing for our 'Winter Festival' which I hope you will join us in watching. Can I remind you about the exciting 'Outdoor Learning' developments taking place in school. **We have had very few children bring a pair of wellies in and all children need too! Please will you bring a pair of wellies in as soon as possible.** Some of the children have brought in some super Home Learning projects this week, thanks for your support.

## Pikes Go Round the Bend!

Once again Pikes Lane Parents are invited to raise money for Bolton Hospice. This year we will be doing a 5 mile sponsored walk on **Thursday 6th December**. Water will be provided and we will be giving everyone a hot snack at the end. Last year we raised £681... please come and help us beat our record!

Sponsor forms are available from Mrs Lowe and the office.



## Spotlight on Year 4

This term, Year 4 have been focusing on outdoor learning. A scary Viking invaded the school and left behind some clues! The children worked collaboratively and built their own Viking trap. Using our great writing skills, we wrote instructions to inform Year 3 on how to successfully trap a Viking.

In Maths, we calculated the area of various shapes to crack the Anglo Saxon code. The children had to work out the area and match the answer with the correct letter. They cracked the code - Edward the Confessor.



## Road Safety

We are holding a Road Safety Assembly on **28th November 2018 at 2.30pm**. Our student ambassadors have planned it all and will be delivering the assembly themselves. We hope you are able to attend.



## Interfaith Week

Last week was interfaith week in school. We learnt about different faiths and valuing diversity. Some children went on a special trip to meet different faith leaders from the community. They even had chance to meet the Mayor!



Just a reminder that our Toy Library is now up and running! You are welcome to come from **9am-10am on Thursday mornings in the Community Room**, and borrow up to three toys (with no charge) for up to a month. **All welcome!**

# Attendance

It's cool to come to school!

Caterpillars AM	93%
Caterpillars PM	91%
Butterflies AM	92%
Butterflies PM	91%
Ladybirds	96%
Busy Bees	96%
1CM	94%
1GF	98%
2LW	98%
2JH	97%
3SB	98%
3OM	99%
4AH	99%
4RW	97%
5AJ	99%
5HM	100%
6MP	97%
6NW	100%

**Congratulations to 5HM and 6NW who both had 100% attendance last week!**

**Whole school attendance was 97%**

## Children in Need

Thank you to all of our parents who helped their children to participate in our pyjamas/spots day. **We managed to raise £405 for Children in Need** which is an amazing amount of money and will help lots of children in the UK.



# Our Calendar

Please note these dates are subject to change. Further details about specific are on the website, including a full holiday list.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Road Safety Assembly ALL WELCOME!**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 assembly – Please stop for a drink and a biscuit afterwards.**

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Friends of Pikes Lane Charity Walk**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Reception Christmas Performance 10.30am and 2pm**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 2-3.20pm**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance 2-3.20pm**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Year 5 and 6 Christmas Performance 2-3.20pm**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party Day – WHOLE SCHOOL – PARTY CLOTHES TO BE WORN**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Non Uniform Day for school funds - School will close at 1pm**

**Christmas Holidays: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2018 to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 inclusive**

## Health & Wellbeing Day



On **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November**, the whole school took part in a Health and Wellbeing day.

**Nursery and Reception** had a parent workshop on teeth brushing and everyone got sent a toothbrush home! They looked at different types of food and making healthy choices.

**Years 1 and 2** took part in a road safety workshop with Mrs Lowe, investigating the benefits of physical exercise, and learning about their emotions.

**Years 3 and 4** learnt how to administer basic first aid. Nuffield Health came in and the children took part in a workshop on Healthy Eating.

**Years 5 and 6** took part in yoga and identified ways to break any bad habits. They compared good and bad drugs and their effect on the body.

## Spotlight on PE!

### 2018 / 2019 House Captains

Each year, two pupils, from each house are chosen to be the house representatives for the whole school. House captains have numerous responsibilities throughout the year. This half term they are being trained by Mr Higgins to lead soft archery sessions. Next half term they will deliver some soft archery session to Y3/4 pupils.

Here are our House Captains for this year.



### Competition Fixtures

#### Event: ESSA UKS2 Tag Rugby competition



We are very proud of our tag rugby team, we finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. We won our first game against Heathfield Primary (6 – 0). Just narrowly missed out on a draw against Bishop Bridgeman losing (4 – 3), and our final game was against St Michaels which we unfortunately lost (4 – 2). We never gave up and we fought to the last whistle. Well done!

#### Event: Bolton School Games UKS2 Basketball competition

We are extremely proud of our basketball team! 18 schools competed over two days. We faced 8 other teams, placing second overall. Fantastic effort by the entire team! Pikes Lane lost 2, drew 1 and won 5 matches. This was the first time Pikes Lane has competed in a basketball competition. Great effort!

#### Event: EFL UKS2 Boys Football competition



We are very proud of our Y5/6 boys Football team! Out of over 45 school teams, we finished in the top 8.

This is the first time Pikes Lane has reached the quarterfinals in this competition. We finished second in our group and went through to the knockout stages where we beat Beaumont Primary 1 – 0. Unfortunately we lost in the quarter finals to Mytham Primary (4 – 0) who were the defending champions. Well done to the team!