



Weekly Newsletter

2nd November

Discussion of the Week

It has been a busy first week back in school, as always. Children have come back focused, working hard and challenging themselves to be the best that they can be. At the end of this half term, Learning Values badges will be awarded to worthy winners of two of the learning values that have been our focus since September. These are 'Resilience' and 'Respect'. This will be, as always, a difficult decision for staff teams, and a proud moment for the recipients.

Y6 Residential

I hope you have had a chance to look at the many and varied blog posts that have been posted from Osmington Bay this week. The children have had a fantastic week, pushing and challenging themselves through a wide range of activities, as well as eating and sleeping well. The children have represented our school brilliantly over the whole week and we are proud of what each and every one of them has achieved. The memories that they have made will last through into the Y6 leaver's assembly and beyond, I am sure! My thanks go to the team of staff who have supported them during the week.

Y1 and 2 Outdoors Day

On Thursday, Y1 and 2 took their learning outside. Maths, phonics, art and continuous discovery about Autumn happened throughout the day, which thankfully, stayed mainly dry for the occasion. A blog post will follow. This is a great way of us sharing all of the wonderful things that are happening around school so that you can keep up to date with daily life in school.

Behaviour Focus

I hope the children have talked to you about how hard they have been working this week in school. All children have shown a determined focus to make their movement around the building even better. Staff have seen an increase in children walking in perfect, quiet lines to and from playtime, assembly, the library and the music room. This has been brilliant to see, and the children have been very proud to receive the praise from all of the adults who have noticed this. This will continue next week, along with another challenge.

Community links

During this half term, we will be supporting some local and national community events in order to continue to build our links beyond Kings Copse. Upcoming opportunities for children and families to be involved in charity fundraising activities if they wish are as follows:

Friday 16th November – **Children in Need**

Friday 21st December – Save the Children **Christmas Jumper Day**

Tuesday 30th October – Friday 9th November – **Rotary Club Christmas Boxes**

The first of the Christmas boxes have started to be brought in to school. This is a fantastic opportunity for children to be involved in providing a small gift for children in other parts of the world whose Christmas will undoubtedly be different to ours.

Have a great weekend!

Hayley Ferguson

What does 'consequence' mean?

Merits

Bronze – Sophie (Y5)

Silver – Oscar (Y5)

Gold – Grace (Y4) & Noah (Y4)

Ruby – Eleanor (Y3)

Platinum – James (Y5)

Well Done!

Dates for Diary

6th Nov - Open Day for New YR parents 9.30am

7th Nov - Open Day for New Yr parents 1.30pm

7th Nov - School Photos

14th Nov - Phonics Session YR & Y1

21st Nov - Parents evening

23rd Nov - Inset Day Friday (School Closed)

26th Nov - Inset Day Monday (School Closed)

Be the best you can be!

Tyler (Y3) achieved a medal at his football and cricket day during half term

Well done! We are proud of you!



LEST WE FORGET

School Councillors will be taking the box of poppies round to each of the classrooms each day next week. Poppies will remain on sale until Friday 9th November. On this day, the children will be part of a Remembrance Assembly and will honour the 2 minutes silence at 11am.

Letters sent out this week

Christmas Shoebox Appeal
Portsmouth Historic Dockyard Y3 & Y4
Re-arranged Phonics Workshop
YR & Y1
PTA Newsletter
Autumn Day Y1 & Y2

This week's winning team

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