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Lighting a spark in every child"

October 2nd

Dear Parents and Carers,

Headteachers Awards

Congratulations to all those who received Headteachers Awards today.

Swans	Riley, Mason, Lyla
Kingfishers	Alfie, Emily, Harrison
Puffins	Isabel, Lennon, Cristian
Penguins	Anabelle, Jenson, Lottie
Toucans	Ellie H, Esther, Jamie
Robins	Eve, George, Rachel
Wrens	Katie, Seth, Elliot
Kestrels	Kaeghla, Brody, Mabel
Condors	Savannah, Lindiwe, Logan

Teaching Learning and the Curriculum

CW and RE

Harvest

Friday October 9th

If you are able to please would you donate a tin or packet of food for Harvest on Friday (you can send food items in before then as you wish). This will go to the food bank and to the local homeless night shelter. We want to help those in Nepal too who have encountered food shortages, earthquakes as well as Covid. If you are able we would recommend a £1 donation for the families of Nepal. Thank you for your generosity as ever.

PE Bikes and learning to ride a bike with Sustrans went really well. Well done Year 1 who had a great day. Thanks for getting their bikes into school.

Literacy - National Poetry day was yesterday – see if your child can remember the rhyme or poem they learnt in class. Year N and R enjoyed Nursery Rhymes too.

MFL European languages Day We had fun learning a new greeting a European language at the start of this week. Again see if your child can remember a greeting in another language that they learned this week.

Music lessons and Musical opportunities. Bedfordshire has one of the best Music service in the country. Please **read the flyer attached** from Inspiring Music. They are the people who provide excellent music provision in our school.

- If your child would like to learn an instrument, try the **free Musical Superstars session on Saturday.**

- Your child can access the **Musical Explorers session for those with SEND needs free on Saturday too** (please see the flyer) and these are super sessions.

Coming in times Now the children have managed so well with coming in **we are moving the Year 1 coming in time forward so the children can come in at 8.45 by the front gates from Monday** which we hope will be a help to all. **If you have a child in Year 2 as well they can come with the Year 1 sibling via the front gates** as they will go to rooms via the walkway outside or the hall which will be unused at that time.

Staff have been reviewing how the children have settled into learning and a few things they may need a little practice at. We will let you know what will help next week.

Some good news for our school re Covid! Unlike Donald Trump we still have good news from school re Covid tests. **All new test this week have been negative test results.** Please help us all to keep on going, **we are all getting weary of working at this but we mustn't give up! It's working for the children!** Let's keep minimising risk for the children so we can keep this as our own good news story.

Clothing layers for children We understand it is getting chillier!

We do need to keep as much ventilation and as much outdoor time as we can for children to minimise risk so please can you plan for your child to wear or have layers with them; for example, they may soon want

- a vest or under T shirt
- you may send in an additional school blue (navy) fleece for your child
- your child will need a hat and gloves on strings or elastic ideally through their coat for winter time.
- Wellies are great as we can then keep them playing outside which they much prefer.

Please start planning ahead for these things for your child as we will need to keep windows open!

Wrap around Club (Before and after school)

Please remember WAC (Wrap Around Care) from Monday 5th October will be at TCC for Year 1 if you have booked at place. Year 3 and Year 4 will be in school if you have a place booked and Year 2 sadly cannot be accommodated in school to half term. TCC will hope to provide all WAC after half term for all so please contact them if you need WAC after half term.

Flyers that give you good information for you and your child

Attached there are flyers about

- Local Covid numbers
- Free Music opportunities
- A Parent course that looks really helpful
- Walk to school week next week

Have a good weekend and thank you for your continued support of school,

Jane Spencer

Head teacher

