

## October Newsletter 2018

Dear Parents

I can't quite believe it is time to write this Newsletter- where did September go? The children have all settled well into the new year. We have an amazing 37 children on role this year- we haven't been that big since 2003! And of course, we also have Nursery children on top of that figure. Life just got very, very busy!

### **Support Group**

Many thanks for your donations on Walk and Breakfast day- we raised £50.58. Thank you to Lorraine too, the kitchen was very busy that day.

It was great to see some new faces at the meeting. We now have a new chair, or should I say 2 chair persons- Charlie and Nicola Sproson have agreed to take on the role together. Being such a small school, we have significant financial pressures. The budget we have doesn't even cover the cost of the staff, so I'm afraid we do have to live with the idea of fundraising. It is important to share the load, so please complete the signing up sheets on the notice board. The next fund-raising event is on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at the Hodgson Brothers' Relay. We still need help on the day and more cake! The event takes place in King George V Playing Field from 7am until 4pm.

### **Digital Wellbeing/ Internet Safety**

We are running a workshop for parents on internet safety and staying healthy whilst using the internet. This is a really important topic for ALL our children (even the very young) and we would like everyone to attend if at all possible. To make this easier to attend, we are running the workshop twice in one day. It will be on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at either 2pm or 6pm. Please sign the slip below to state which session you will be attending.

### **Harvest Festival**

Lucy Storer (George's Mum) has kindly offered to lead a Harvest Festival in school on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am. You would be very welcome to stay and join us.

### **School Bank**

For those of you that are new to the school, I would just like to tell you about our school bank. The idea is that children learn a little about money and can use the bank to save money for themselves, or (as some have chosen to do) save for school trips such as the residential trip to Fellside in the juniors, or even the year 6 ski trip.

Children are given a bank book in which savings, withdrawals and deposits are recorded. The bank is run by year 6 children under the careful supervision of an adult.

To withdraw money, the children need to request a withdrawal form, which needs to be signed by their parent. Amounts over £20 will be paid by cheque to a nominated account.

### **Safety on and outside the school site**

Because we have more children in school now, it is even more important that the gates are kept shut and that people park responsibly outside school (see attached letter)

### **Dates for your diaries:**

- Year 5 and 6 Liverpool trip 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> October
  - Hodgson Brothers' Relay Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October
  - Digital Well-being Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October
  - Finance Committee Meeting (Governors) Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct at 3:45pm
  - Football Tournament (Junior Team) Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October PM
  - Netball Tournament (Junior Team) Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October PM
  - Full Governors' Meeting 3:45pm Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October (NO MULTI SPORTS CLUB- THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> INSTEAD)
  - Harvest Festival Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am
  - Year 1 and 2 to Patterdale Hall Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October AM
  - Nasal flu vaccination Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October PM
  - Multisports Club (instead of Monday) Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October
  - Clothes Recycling Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October
  - Half -term 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> October inc
  - School Health and Safety Audit Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October
  - Parent Consultations for reception and any children new to school Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October
  
  - Curry Night at Inn on the Lake?? tbc
  - Theatre by the Lake trip to see Beauty and the Beast – whole school Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec
  - School Play Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 2pm and 6pm
  - Christmas Dinner Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December
  - Christmas Party and Break Up! Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December
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I will be attending the following digital well being workshop

2 pm

6 pm

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_