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Remember to book your child's school dinners for the coming week

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Last week's attendance was: 99.2%

Dear parents/carers,

This week the children have been developing their understanding of what makes a good friend. The children have explored the qualities a good friend has through discussions about the good qualities their friends in school have and show towards them. Our PHSE lessons have also looked at bulling as part of anti-bullying week and the children through role play have explored different scenarios and talked about what they would do if faced with that situation.

Staff have also carried out a questionnaire with the children to find out what they feel about school and their friendships, emotional well-being and mental health. Staff are currently collating the results from our questionnaire which will be published in next week's newsletter. The sports leaders and school council teams will then explore some of the findings further with the children and put in place strategies to help support children who are struggling with their friendship groups. A huge thank you to those parents who have placed an order for their child's Christmas/winter cards, the closing date is this Monday 30^{th} November.

We know the children are keen to bring in Christmas cards for each other. This year due to our Covid restrictions, we ask that cards are brought in Mon-Wed only which means we can leave them in a special Christmas post box to quarantine for a few days before the school council deliver them on a Friday afternoon.

Have a great weekend. Mrs Cook

Christmas Card Orders

Reminder: If you would like to order a Christmas card pack (£3) designed by your child, please return the order form (sent home with your child last week) & payment to the school office by **Monday** (30th November). 50% of money raised from card sales will go to the charity 'Crisis at Christmas' with the other half being raised for school.



Christmas Jumper day

On **Friday 11**th **December** we will once again be raising money for 'Save the Children' by donating £1 to wear our Christmas jumpers/non uniform to school.

Christmas Performances

Unfortunately, due to Covid we are unable to perform our usual nativity this year. The children have been practising some traditional and festive songs which we hope to film and share with you before the end of term. We will film this on our Christmas jumper day, which is Friday $11^{\rm th}$ December, with the recordings shared with parents on our dojo sites on the last week of term.



Congratulations to the following children for achieving their gold star certificates!



BRONZE STAR

Class 2

Amelie

Grace F

Winnie



SILVER STAR

Class 1

Ollie

Class 2

Charlie D

Sienna









SUPER LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Class 1

All of our reception children have been fantastic at retelling the story of 'The Gruffalo' using the story language that they have been developing with Mrs Walter. They have also created their own story board together and performed the story to the rest of the class. Well done Esme, Ellie, Dylan, Freddie and Zac.



Class 2

Winnie has been very proactive with her learning and taken the initiative to do extra maths learning at home. We are extremely proud of your efforts Winnie and can see the difference it is making to your confidence to learning in the class. Keep up your super learning attitude.



Christian Ethos-Peace

Class 1

In the playground this week, Freddie displayed peace when making choices to ensure everyone was included when playing with the bikes and trikes outside.

Well done Freddie!



Class 2

Grace F has been noticed being a superb, caring friend this week. When she had spotted that other children have not seemed themselves, she has offered them a listening ear so that they can feel at peace. We are really pleased with your mature peaceful aurora Grace. Well done!

