

# **Bishop Wood C of E Junior School**

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## Welcome to Week 3!

## Parent Reps Wanted!

This year, we will be hosting a termly parent forum. As part of this process, we would like to have a parent representative for each class to join us at the forum to discuss parent views. If you would like to be a parent representative, please email the school office your name and the class you wish to represent by Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Names will be put in a hat and chosen at random. We will announce the names in the Newsletter next Friday!

## Meet the Teacher

We had a fantastic turnout for the Year 5 meeting on Wednesday. Thank you to those who were able to come along! The final meeting date is detailed below. We aim to start the meeting as soon as all the children have arrived and been registered. The Year 5 parents did a magnificent job of waiting patiently and signing in efficiently. We look forward to seeing more of you as the weeks progress.

Year 3 – Friday 27th September at 9.15

#### **Big Cat Books**

If you happen to have any Big Cat books (our reading scheme books) at home, please return them to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. House points available to parents who remember to bring them in on Monday!

#### Year 6 Wise Up Day

Year 6 had an incredible day of team-building and problem-solving activities on Wednesday this week, as part of their Wise Up Day. They were excellent examples of our school values, showing readiness to listen to each other and give everyone an opportunity to share their views before working together to find a solution to the practical problems.

## **Behaviour for Learning Champions!**

Congratulations to the following children who were the Behaviour for Learning Champions last week!

6M Poppy M

6C Freddie S

5DR Maria P

5H Nate CF

4PE Alex G

4A Alice G

3I Mabel T

3S Arthur S

## Celebration

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – Isla L & Luca T

3S – Arwen K & Winnie M

4A - Hazel W & Bethany C

4PS – Ava T & Tess N-S

5DR – Isabelle H-W & Lucia L

5H - Mollie C & Charlie S

6C - Freya T & Will H

6M - Wills A & Annabel H

### **Other Honours**

Pom-Poms – 6C

## **Lunchtime Leader Awards**











Theodore T 3S Olivia W – 3I

#### **Outside Honours**

Hayden S – Medal Seb B – Player of the Match

#### **House Points**

This week:

Saturn - 240

Mars - 205

Jupiter - 171

Venus - 153

Running Totals are on the website

## **Around School**

#### This week

Year 3 have enjoyed talking about their emotions and learning about the Zones of Regulation in their PSHE lesson. Year 4 have drafted their own journey narratives based on Zeraffa Giraffa. Year 5 enjoyed starting their myths and legends topic by listening to the story of Beowulf and Grendel. Year 6 really enjoyed the Wise Up Day.

#### Next week

Year 3 are looking forward to using mirrors in their science lesson to investigate reflection. Year 4 will be finding out who built the pyramids in ancient Egypt. Year 5 are looking forward to sharpening up their rounding skills in maths and Year 6 are looking forward to learning about factors in maths.

#### **Mrs Guest**

It is with a mixture of gratitude and sadness that we announce that Mrs Guest, our dedicated SENDCo, will be leaving the school at the end of this term. Mrs Guest has been an invaluable member of our school community for many years, and her contributions have shaped the inclusive environment we are proud of today.

Mrs Guest joined our school in June 2007 as a class teacher and quickly became known for her commitment to ensuring that every child was supported to reach their full potential. In September 2015, she took on the role of SENDCo, just as the Department for Education released the SEND Code of Practice 2015, which is still in place to date. Her dedication and expertise in this area have been instrumental in embedding a whole-school approach to special educational needs and disabilities.

Thanks to Mrs Guest's tireless efforts, our school has developed a consistent and compassionate approach to SEND, working closely with parents and external professionals to provide universal and targeted support for all pupils. Her passion for inclusivity and her gentle, fair approach have left a lasting impact on our entire school community.

We wish Mrs Guest every success as she embarks on new challenges and hope that she will stay in touch with us. She will be greatly missed by staff, students, and families alike.

## **Monday Gate Task**

Well done for reading to the end of the newsletter. To prove that you read to the end, say 'Konichi Wa' ('hello' in Japanese) to Mr Patten and Mrs Adams at the gate on Monday morning.

Thank you and best wishes Mr Patten