

**Headteacher: Mr Jonathan Rodd**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

In our KS1 Celebration assembly this morning, we celebrated the following pupils:

Gainsborough: Isaacc, Verity, Adalynn and Isabella

Medlycott: Lewis, Charlie, Eva and Jakub

Venn: Pippa, Louis, Rex and Alannah

I hope that you all had an enjoyable half term break. This half term will be a busy one as we build up to Christmas – only 51 days to go until 25<sup>th</sup> December! Mrs Minney and Mrs Carr have been looking at the KS1 Nativity and further information about this will be sent out soon.

I'm delighted to inform you that, following an increase in the number of bookings, After School Provision will be running from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Booking for the week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November is now open and will close on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Please book and pay for sessions using the ParentPay website and also email the School Office.

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, we will be marking the start of Anti-Bullying Week with a wear odd socks to school day. This is a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique. Normal school uniform should be worn on this day with odd socks, please!

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November we have Fraser Portraits coming into school to take photographs of the children. They are able to take group photographs, as follows:

- If you wish your children to be photographed together and you have younger children either in The Beeches or toddlers and babies, then please come to the school hall for 8.30am.
- If you have children who attend The Beeches but do not usually attend on a Tuesday, then please come to the school hall from 8.45am
- All children in The Beeches on Tuesday and at school, will then be photographed, including sibling groups within school. This will happen across the day.

I hope that you will be pleased with the photographs – they make great Christmas presents!

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we will be raising money for the BBC Children in Need appeal. The School Council came up with a range of fundraising ideas. We will have a non-school uniform day and the children are encouraged to wear something spotty (suggested donation £1.00), either an item of clothing or an accessory. Lemonade will be on sale at playtime (50p) and there will be some competitions that the children can take part in, such as 'Guess the number of sweets in the jar' (20p a go). Last year, the school raised £351.24 so it would be wonderful if we can beat this total on November 17<sup>th</sup>!

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Kind regards,

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Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Medlycott class trip to Trent
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	KS2 Celebration Assembly
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week starts. Wear odd socks to school day
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual and family photos – please see above
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Inspire Morning – Kingsbury Class (9.00 – 10.00 am)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	KS1 Celebration Assembly Children in Need – please see above
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Parents' Evenings for Gainsborough Class
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole school Celebration Assembly, including Sue Laughton award
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	KS2 Celebration Assembly
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Celebration Assembly
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	PTFA Winter Fayre <b>11.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.</b>
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity <b>10.00 a.m.</b>
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service in Church at <b>2.00pm</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity <b>1.45 p.m.</b>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole school Celebration Assembly, including Sue Laughton award End of term