

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

# NEWSLETTER No. 5



## *Believe, Trust and Be Ready*

*“That they may have life, and to the full” John 10:10*

Dear Parents and Carers,

We’ve had another very busy week in school and it’s good to see how enthusiastic and hard-working the children are across all areas – both curricular and extra-curricular with football and netball matches, Mad Science assemblies, a visit to the Council offices and Year 1 balance bikes to name but a few.

## *Spotlight on ..... Year 6 Prefects*



In September I received applications from our Year 6 pupils for the many jobs and responsibilities around school. The standard of these applications was amazing. With staff support I had the challenging job of assigning each child to a role. The children shared their new roles with the rest of the school during our open assembly this morning. I am sure you will join the staff in wishing them luck in their new prefect positions for the year ahead.

### Awards

**Good Conduct Award** – Excellent attitude in all aspects of school life.

**Courtesy Award** – Good manners and polite behaviour.

**Merit Award** – Super work and effort in a particular area of the Curriculum.

Year Group	Good Conduct Award	Courtesy Award	Merit Award
Reception	Ivan L	Edward C	Jane M
Year 1	Elissa B	Alec E	Malachy C-J
Year 2	Arthur L	Olivia E	Daisy H
Year 3	Rohanna D-C	Jamie R	Annie B
Year 4	Patrick C	Tom N	Hester H-S
Year 5	Georgie M	Giorgio V	Alice H
Year 6	Theo B	Harry M	Oscar L

### Attendance –

<b>Reception</b>	92.4%	<b>Year 4</b>	99.7%
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	97.9%
<b>Year 2</b>	96.6%	<b>Year 6</b>	99.3%
<b>Year 3</b>	98.4%		

**WELL DONE YEAR 1!**

### **Parent Governor Election**

I wrote to you recently to invite nominations for the vacancy for a parent governor. I am delighted to say that there are 2 candidates for the vacancy – Andrew Quicke and Grant Stuffins. This means we must now hold a ballot. Information and ballot papers will be sent home this evening with your child. Closing date for the ballot is 9am on 14<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Plastic free Knutsford**



School councillors from Year 6 went with Miss Liddy and Mrs Watson to talk to the Major about how Knutsford could become plastic free. They were joined by other Knutsford schools.

“Last Monday we went to Knutsford Town Hall to discuss making Knutsford plastic free. Lots of other schools met their as well as the Major. We came up with lots of ideas such as writing a letter to all businesses in Knutsford to stop them using unnecessary plastic. We really enjoyed going and learnt lots.” by Bethany and Noah.

### **Congratulations**

On the 19<sup>th</sup> September Mr and Mrs Jones welcomed their beautiful baby daughter Sophia Annabelle into the world. Congratulations to all the family and wishing them all health and happiness.

### **Open Assembly**

Next Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> October will be our second open assembly of this academic year. At this assembly the children will be explaining what they have learnt in our multi-cultural week. All parents are welcome. The assembly is at 9.15 am in the school hall.

### **Harvest Festival: 2.15pm Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

If you know of anyone who would benefit from a harvest gift from our Harvest festival in the community please could you inform the school office.

Letters are being sent home today regarding this year’s Harvest Festival. Each year our school holds a Harvest Festival and Harvest parcels are distributed to parishioners and some of our neighbours who would appreciate and benefit from such a gift. These parcels are provided by your generosity in sending in items of food – with many of you very kindly presenting such gifts in decorated boxes or baskets. The gifts are displayed in the hall and on the Tuesday afternoon each class provides some ‘Harvest’ entertainment for those parents/family members who can attend. Following the entertainment, parcels are distributed to the parents/family members who have volunteered to make a delivery. Each year your generosity is staggering and I know that our parishioners and neighbours who benefit from the gift and, more importantly, the visit, appreciate it so much and we always have lots of cards and letters of thanks expressing such appreciation. Any gift is welcome, no matter how small.

### **Diocesan Building Fund**

Thank you to those families who have made their contributions towards this very important fund. The total amount received to date is £440. Our optimum amount of £3045 so we are still £2605 short. The Diocese request a voluntary contribution of £15 per child per year and each school is given a target income based on the number on role. When the income from parents falls short of the target, the school has to make up the difference from its own budget thus reducing money that goes directly to the children. Please do make a contribution, no matter how small.

### **School Football Team**

Last night we welcomed Bexton primary school in the 2nd game of the autumn football league. Bexton started brightly and quickly found themselves 3 goals up, half time came and the team talk was really positive, the children had belief and were determined to give it everything. St Vincent's launched wave after wave of attack and managed to pull 2 goals back but the comeback ran out of time! I was really pleased with the teams "never give up" attitude and that will serve them well in future games. Congratulations to year 5 pupils Tom, Jack and Alex on making their school team debuts last night, they were joined by Noah, Zack, Theo, Alex, Seb and Daniel. Goals: Noah – Zack. Player of the match - Tom

### **Competition reminders**

**Parking poster** - Children are invited to design a poster no bigger than A5. Closing date is Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October. This is being co-ordinated by our Community support officer Chris Pountain.

**Site safety poster** – Run by Read Construction - This is to be A4 size with information about how to keep the Pre - school site safe. The closing date is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Swimming Caps**

Knutsford Leisure Centre have made it compulsory for all children to wear swimming caps for their school swimming lessons. They have therefore provided the children in Y5 and Y6 with a swimming cap each which they are bringing home with them today. Each cap has the child's initials written on them. Please ensure that they bring the cap with them for every swimming lesson going forwards.

### **Swimming**

Thank you to all parents who have sent in their payments for autumn term swimming lessons. Can all outstanding payments please be sent to Mrs Corrigan before half term. Thank you.



At the AGM on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September the following committee members were voted in:-

Chair: Kirstie Drake  
Secretary: Zoë Paul

Vice secretary: Becky Fairhurst  
Treasurer: Chrissie Strong  
Social media: Emma Lees

**Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> October, 7:30pm at The Legh Arms for 1 hour!** We will be holding our first PTA meeting for the new academic year. We'll be talking about some exciting events coming up in the next few months, so we hope you'll be able to join us to share ideas and help us get the planning underway.

**Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October** – We will be holding our KS1 & KS2 Disco. Ticket letters are coming home this afternoon.

It would be really fantastic if we could get a couple of parent representatives from each year group, attending. It makes organising events and disseminating information throughout the classes so much easier.

## The Week Ahead Multicultural Week

Subject	Start Time	End Time
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019</b>		
Y4, Y5 & Y6 Wider Opportunities Music – please remember instruments		
Multisports – All Years (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
KS2 Drama and Dance (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019</b>		
Sports from Around The World – (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
Gymnastics – All years (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
Netball v Yorston Lodge (away at Egerton School)	15:30	16:30
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019</b>		
Parent Readers Y1 and Y2 (not Reception)	09:00	09:20
Swimming – Years 5 & 6 remember swimming kits!	AM	
KS1 Football (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
Athletics – All years (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
<b>Y5/Y6 Gardening Club (please email Mrs Watson if you wish to join)</b>	15:15	16:15
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019</b>		
Reception 'Stay and Learn'	9:00	10:00
KSSP Primary Cross Country at Knutsford Academy	15:55	16:45
Y4-Y6 Netball	15:15	16:15
Dodgeball & Basketball (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
KS1 Musical Theatre (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
Y5/Y6 Football v Bexton (home)	15:30	16:30
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019</b>		
Y1 Balance Bikes	AM	
KS2 Football (DR Sports)	15:15	16:15
Y1 Board games club	15:15	16:00

Have a lovely weekend.



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Newsletter attachment:

- Disco letters
- Parent governor ballot letters
- Wednesday Word – Reception , Year 1 & Year 2
- Harvest Festival letters