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A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

What a busy week it's been! There have been some wonderful achievements this week including the awarding of our first Bronze certificates for earning 40 Achievement Points. Please do note the addition of dates for the **KS1 Nativity**, below, and details for how to sign up for a **parents evening appointment** for your child(ren). Teachers will focus on how the children have settled into their respective year groups, as well as – for KS1 and KS2 – a summary of attainment, attendance, behaviour and effort.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Fountain

Beech class Bikeability

This week, year 6 pupils took part in their Bikeability training in the school playground, then out into the streets around the school. As well as bike control, clear communication and road awareness, the children were also shown how to check their bikes for roadworthiness before heading out. Feedback from the coaches was excellent, who were thoroughly impressed with the exceptional behaviour of our pupils – well done year 6!



Workers of the week & St. Faith's crosses

Well done to our **workers of the week!**

George and Jasper	Oak
Sophia and Tommi	Silver Birch
Lucas and Mario	Willow
Harrison and Victoria	Maple
Oliver and Megan	Beech

Well done to our **St. Faith's cross** recipients!

For showing kindness and being helpful at all times	Isabelle
For tidying up so fantastically	Zoë
For being kind by including others	Henry
For being a kind friend	James
For excellent listening and manners	Annabel
For a consistently positive, hardworking attitude	Monty
For showing kindness to others on the playground	William
For showing an excellent learning attitude	Yasmine
For persevering with his presentation	Rory
For consistently being polite and helpful	Wolfie

Signing up online for Parents Evening

The end of Phase 1 parents' evenings will be held on **Tuesday 26th** and **Thursday 28th November**. The booking system is open for bookings. Guidelines as to how to make a booking are attached with this Newsletter. You will need to make an appointment to see your child's **year-group teacher**. Please, do ask at the office if you have any questions.

St. Cross Remembrance Service

This year's St. Cross Remembrance Service will be at the church on **Sunday 10th November**, starting at **10:50 sharp**, to allow observance of the 2-minute silence at 11:00am. Representing St. Faith's school, this year, will be Edward, Elspeth, Megan and Wolfie – we look forward to seeing you there, if you are able, and know that children and families from the school community will be stepping out at services across the city.



A message from the School Councillors

On Friday 15th November, we will be raising money for Children in Need. We are asking children to wear colourful tights and socks or odd socks and bring in a kind donation of £1. If children decide to join in, they need to give their £1 to their teacher on Friday 15th November.



We will also be doing a Pudsey drawing competition- children can make a picture of Pudsey and enter it for £1. The School Council will then award 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes. Entries need to be handed in to class teachers by the morning of Friday 15th November.

Children in Need helps children with difficulties and it would be fantastic to raise as much money as we can.

Thank you for your support!

St. Faith's School Council

Year R phonics 'stay and play' workshop

We were delighted to welcome parents of our year R pupils to a phonics workshop, with input from our Year R and Oak class teacher, Miss. Thorpe. Parents were introduced to the way phonics is taught here at St. Faith's using the Letters and Sounds programme of teaching. Parents were then re-joined by their children to experience a whole host of phonics-based activities which the children experience day-to-day in their learning. Learning took place, as always in Year R, both in and out of the classroom with a wide variety of experiences. Thank you to those who were able to attend. The QR code below will link to the video shared, featuring the correct pronunciation – scan the QR code with a mobile device, or use the link:

<http://tiny.cc/3mqyfq>



DT sewing project in Willow

Thank you to our army of helpers, who descended this week (and are returning next week – we hope!) to support the teaching and learning of DT in Willow class. The children have designed their own pencil cases, and have learnt some different stitches which they are using to assemble their creations from felt and other materials. A class of children with needles and thread is a daunting prospect, requiring great patience and perseverance from adults and children alike, and we – especially Mrs. Francis – are very grateful for your support.



A message from Mrs. Crump

Lunch money is now due for this half term for KS2 children only. Cheques made payable to H.C.C. or you are welcome to use the Scopay system.

Dates for your diary

10th Nov. St. Cross Remembrance service, 10:50am

13th Nov. Flu vaccine permission letters to parents

27th Nov. Flu vaccine administered to children

26th & 28th Nov. Parents evenings

17th Dec. KS2 Carol service at St Cross, 5.30pm

17th Dec. Infant Nativity, 9.30am

18th Dec. Infant Nativity, 2.15pm

19th Dec. Christmas Dinner day



Remaining INSET days for 2019-2020

Friday 22nd November 2019

Friday 31st January 2020

Monday 24th February 2020

Friday 19th June 2020