



NEWSLETTER NO 4 - Monday 21st October 2019

	Term Begins	Finish	Half Term	Return	Term Ends
Autumn 2019	Wednesday 4 September	Friday 25 October		Tuesday 5 November	Thursday 19 December
Spring 2020	Tuesday 7 January	Friday 14 February		Monday 24 February	Friday 3 April
Summer 2020	Monday 20 April	Friday 22 May		Tuesday 2 June	Tuesday 21 July

Inset Days: 4 November 2019, 6 January 2020, 1 June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

The half term break is nearly upon us but, most importantly, we are looking forward to seeing you all at the Learning Discussion evenings this week to share in your children's learning so far this year. These evenings continue to be a great opportunity to reinforce the collective learning responsibility we have as pupils, parents and staff - we value that face to face time.

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Congratulations

Well done to our latest Celebration Certificate recipients:

Year R	Rosi, Ted, Ollie, Jonathan, James	Year 3	Frankie, Tilly, Samantha, Owen, Ethan, Vova
Year 1	Cailin, Alfred, Josh, Charlotte	Year 4	Ebony, Isabelle, Annabelle, Oliver B, Alex, Tilly
Year 2	Toby, Ellie, Leo, Nancy, Elliott, Emily, Libby, Charlotte	Year 5	Lilyella, Katie, Filip, Daanish, Florence, Akshath
		Year 6	Henry, Ruby, Sorrel, Oliver, Megan

School Vision Tree

We are delighted to share our new school vision - a tree which symbolises the growth the school has enjoyed and will continue to do so with the children's best learning interests at heart. Not only does the tree echo the Growth Mindset approach we continue to use, it reflects our rural setting. A copy of our Vision Tree and statement have been attached for your information but we will be providing hard copies for you at the Learning Discussion evenings. This vision has grown organically (pun intended) over the past 18 months and is a collaborative effort between the children, yourselves, staff and governors about what makes our school special and successful. All future decisions and developments for our school will be rooted in this vision and I ask you to support us in making this a clear, common identity for our school as we juggle the many expectations from the community, the Diocese, the local authority, Ofsted and beyond. In summary:

- the trunk (Spirituality, Community, Inclusivity & Christian Values) provides a strong foundation on which the school grows
- the branches (Learning, Skills & Knowledge) stem from this foundation and give us purpose
- the leaves (Creativity, Pride, Curiosity, Challenge, Love & Joy) are the fruits of our efforts and should be evident in all of us

School Site Safety

Please can we remind you about various aspects of safety on school site, not only in the interests of the children but for us as adults to set an example too. Whilst I appreciate, as adults, you are responsible for your own safety, the children copy and follow what we ourselves do. Therefore:

- Please do not cycle or scoot **anywhere** on the school site. Pavements and access are already limited and we want to avoid clashes between pedestrians and any vehicle.

- Please do not walk or travel through the staff car park due to the limited visibility. Access for the school taxis and bus must be prioritised at drop-off and collection times and they all frequently manoeuvre/reverse across the car park and disable parking bay.

Charitable Support

A huge thank you to all our parents and children who have been immensely generous by supporting the shoebox appeal and Phoebe's treatment. We have been able to assemble a staggering 68 shoeboxes for the Methodist Chapel who now have the mammoth task of transporting them - groups of our children will be walking them around to the chapel on Friday to join the other boxes already waiting. We look forward to hearing the latest from the Williment family and all their efforts but please remember their 'Go Fund Me' page at www.gofundme.com/zy6gfn-vbt-surgery-for-phe.

House Point Success

We have reached that point in our celebrations where the children's House point teams have been reaching and nearing the top of the respective tubes. Birch enjoyed their reward day last week and **Redwood will be celebrating with a non-uniform day this coming Friday 25th October**. I have a feeling Maple could be following on just after half term... Thank you for your support on these occasions, the children really enjoy the chance to act smugly around their peers - a healthy show of competition!

Aldi 'Kit for Schools' Stickers

The school continues to collect promotional stickers from Aldi for their 'Kit to Schools' initiative; giving us the opportunity to win sports equipment and a possible £20k prize! Stickers will be available in store until 3rd November, so please keep on collecting and bring all stickers to school by 18th November please. Thank you.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

The Year 6 House Captains will be selling a variety of Poppy Appeal items to children at lunchtimes from tomorrow. These include: zip pull 50p, reflector poppy 50p, wristband £1 and snap bands £1.50. This will be on a first come, first served basis.

DATES FOR THE DIARY (New items or amendments in bold)

22 Oct	Game On Yr 3 & 4 Football Club Festival, Dundale School
23 Oct	Learning discussions, 4.00-7.00pm
24 Oct	Learning discussions, 4.00-7.00pm
25 Oct	Redwood House non-uniform day
25 Oct	Game On Yr 5 & 6 Football Match, at Long Marston School
26 Oct	PTFA Fireworks & Bonfire Night, gates open 6.00pm
w/c 28 Oct	HALF TERM
3 Nov	Last chance to earn Aldi Sports Kit stickers in store
4 Nov	INSET DAY
5 Nov	Children return to school
6 Nov	Game On Yr 5 & 6 Football Match, at Dundale School
7 Nov	Yr 5 & 6 Trip to Cadbury World
8 Nov	PTFA Elfridges order deadline
8 Nov	PTFA Santa's Grotto order deadline
11 Nov	War Memorial Gathering, 10.45-11.30am – parents welcome to join in us at the war memorial
12 Nov	Deadline for bringing Aldi stickers into school
12 Nov	Game On Yr 5 & 6 Football Match, at home
15 Nov	PTFA Shopping Evening
22 Nov	PTFA Non-Uniform Day, chocolate
29 Nov	PTFA Film Night
6 Dec	PTFA Christmas Fayre, 3.30-6.00pm
7 & 8 Dec	Wingrave Church Christmas Tree Festival weekend
