

YEAR 1 and 2 NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term 1 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Autumn Term 1. Thank you for your continued support, positivity and understanding as we journey through the beginning of new term. A tremendous thank you to all the children who have relentlessly carried out their home learning, embracing online teaching and learning.

Our goal this half term is to 'Review, Revise and Consolidate' all our learning and then gradually move into teaching new concepts. Our topic for this half term is '**Live and let live**'. We will be learning about animals and plants and their habitats.

May we remind you that parents input at home is very important. By ensuring that you are constantly encouraging, supporting and helping your child, you will help them to develop their minds and attitudes positively. Please also support us by ensuring your child knows the expected behaviour when they are at school. We are available to discuss any issues you may have, so please feel free to arrange an appointment.

To conclude we would once again like to focus on "**Growth mind-set**." This has enabled our children to unlock their ability to learn and grow especially during this uncertain time. We believe we all will be stronger when we come out on the other side of the COVID-19 Pandemic! Just to remind ourselves that history is being written! We hold the pen to **write the BEST story for our children!**

Mrs Gurdas, Ms Twumasi and Mrs Ayodele

WHOLE SCHOOL DIARY DATES

September

WB 7th Secondary Transfer Power Point to be sent out

WB 14th Meet the Teacher video to be sent out

October

9th Harvest Assembly - Y1&2

WB 12th Parents Evening TBC

16th Diwali Assembly - Y3

23rd Inset Day - School Closed to pupils

26th - 30th Oct HALF TERM

November

2nd School open to pupils

WB 16th Anti-bullying Week

December

Christmas concerts dates TBC

18th End of term (own clothes day) 2pm finish

PE

Beech (Year 1) Thursday

Willow (Year 2) Friday

Laurel (Year 1 and 2) Friday

- Red t-shirt
- Navy blue shorts or leggings
- Plimsoles or trainers

Value of the Month

September: Diligence

October: Respect

PATHS

In our PATHS programme we will be:

- Establishing a positive classroom environment
- Focusing on our feelings and behaviours.

HOMWORK

Homework will be posted on Google Classroom on a weekly basis. More information will follow regarding access and due dates. (If you do not have online access your child will be given a homework book)

Spellings will be set as part of the homework. Please practice these regularly (not just once) to give children the best chance of learning them for their test!

How to help your child

- Read every day.
- Join the library.
- Complete homework weekly.
- Practice spellings regularly.
- Talk about and discuss their day with them.