



# Friday Letter for Parents and Carers



18th October 2019



## Headteacher Update

### Dates for your Diary

#### October

22nd Hawks and Falcons Kingswood Class Assembly  
 24th Halloween Dress up/Disco 2.30-3.00pm EYFS, 3.30-4.15pm KS1, 4.30-5.30pm LKS2, 5.45-6.45pm UKS2  
 28th-1st November Half Term

#### November

6th Flu Immunisation  
 14th Children in Need Dress up in Spots  
 15th Training Day  
 21st Parents Evening Times TBC  
 29th Christmas Fair

Any changes/additions will be marked in red

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach our half term break I would like to thank you for your patience and understanding whilst the Ascot Way entrance has been closed. Unfortunately due to delays on the construction site the gate will remain closed until the end of November, apologies for the inconvenience.

This half term, under the leadership of Mr Willson, staff have been working hard to develop our teaching of maths. I'm sure the parents of our new starters will have heard all about 'Numberblocks' and 'Numberland'! As part of this work I have been lucky enough to have been given the opportunity to visit schools in Shanghai. As you read this I will be on my very long

flight heading to China. Mrs Thompson will take the reins next week with the support of Mr Willson and Mr Stevens.

Have a happy half term and I can't wait to see the photos of the children enjoying the Halloween disco.

*Debbie Cousins*



We would like to announce the exciting news that Mr Willson has welcomed his new baby daughter Amelia into the world followed swiftly by Mrs Walker who has welcomed her first baby Archie William. We wish them all our congratulations.



Archie William

After half term we will be handing out poppies to the children. If you would like to make a donation to help support the Armed Forces and their families please send it in with your child. We will be collecting donations for the poppy appeal during the run up to Remembrance Sunday.

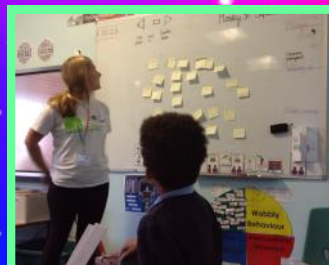


## Puffins

Team Puffins have had a brilliant start to Year Four. We have been very busy learning about our community; the things that make it special, the issues that affect it and how we can make it an even better place!

We started off by using Footpath Flowers to inspire poems that we used on postcards which invited people to our community cafe. We had a fantastic afternoon meeting new people and eating delicious treats. We even managed to raise £81.62 which will be shared with two local charities, SASH which helps young homeless people find a safe place to stay and Caresent, they run a breakfast centre for homeless and unemployed people.

You may have seen us out and about learning how to stay safe on the roads during pedestrian training. It's really important that we all: Stop, Look, Listen and Think before we cross any roads.



Thank you to everyone for their kind food donations towards this weeks Harvest Festival. This year we donated our goods to York Food Bank where it was gratefully received.



Friends Of Hob Moor Federation

Drinks Cups 10p  
Sweet bags 10p  
Snakes 20p  
Crisps 20p

**TUCK SHOP**

Tickets cost £1.00 and are payable on ParentPay

**ALDI'S KIT FOR SCHOOLS**  
Get together | Get collecting | Get active

Please help us collect stickers to complete our poster and we'll receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win £20,000! We're nearly there! Stickers need to be in school by 4th November 2019.

**Information**

We recently sent home Student Update Forms for parents to check and return to school. To ensure we hold the correct contact information and parental permissions for your child please check the details and amend if necessary. Please return forms to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

*Bereaved Children Support*

The next drop in session will be on Saturday 2nd November 2-4pm  
Oaken Grove Community Centre, Reid Park, Oaken Grove, Haxby, York YO32 3QW  
For more information email [info.bcsy@gmail.com](mailto:info.bcsy@gmail.com)

*Bereaved Children Support*



**Stars of the Week 4th October**

- Ducklings** George for coming to Nursery with a smiley face, trying all the different activities and starting to make friends.  
Thomas for following instructions and paying greater interest in the games of his friends.
- Swan** Mariama for settling in so well and making lots of new friends
- Robin** Jayden for his fantastic reading in phonics this week!
- Parrot** Ruby-Mai for always being the first ready to learn and giving her best in every lesson
- Toucan** Lacie-Mae for being an all round superstar! Always being ready to listen, a wonderful attitude to her learning and being a role model for the whole team.
- Woodpecker** Bella-Rose for being a super role model!
- Razorbill** Madison for consistently applying herself in every lesson.
- Albatross** Evie for showing her understanding in maths through showing her working out.
- Puffin** Tyler for brilliant explanations and reasoning in maths.
- Osprey** Emi for her super kind attitude towards her team
- Eagle** Kathryn for being extremely supportive to her peers and having some great ideas about the Prime Minister and Brexit!
- Hawk** Lizzie for showing a positive attitude in all she does and meeting challenges head on.
- Falcon** Summer-Mae for her fantastic attitude and effort in maths

**Lunchtime award**

- Leona for being so kind and caring to her peers and for always eating all of her dinner
- Kaden for being kind to his peers, and inviting everyone to sit together at lunch
- Mrs Cousin's Headteacher's award**
- Harry for being so efficient when helping with the computer in our assemblies. You are brilliant, thank you Harry
- Wellbeing Award**
- Nancie for making me smile and showing such maturity.

**Stars of the Week 11th October**

- Ducklings** Lexi for settling back into Nursery and trying really hard to talk with the adults and children.  
Alexis-Mae for settling into Nursery and joining in imaginative games. .
- Swan** Mason for a brilliant attitude towards his maths work.
- Robin** Maya for her fantastic effort in phonics, and beginning to read and write words.
- Parrot** Oliver for super effort in writing
- Toucan** Charlotte for her amazing attitude towards all of her learning and being a wonderful role model.  
Lexi-Rose for her brilliant explanations in maths.  
Charlton for his amazing work in his independent writing.
- Woodpecker** Evie for being a kind and caring member of our team who always looks out for everyone in the team and supports them in their learning
- Razorbill** Thomas for brilliant learning, focus and determined attitude in all lessons, especially swimming this week!
- Albatross** Libby for having a fantastic attitude to all aspects of her learning and being a fabulous role-model
- Puffin** Keren for great enthusiasm and fantastic work in all subjects.
- Osprey** Grace for a brilliant attitude to maths.  
Freya for her stunning writing
- Eagle** Leo for showing a mature attitude when discussing the importance of being a team player in PE.
- Hawk**
- Falcon**
- PE star**

**Lunchtime award**

- Connie is nice to her peers and polite and helpful to others
- Harry always offers to help and is very kind and polite
- Mrs Cousin's Headteacher's award**
- Holly for being a mature responsible Year 6 pupil
- Wellbeing Award**
- Lacie for being a super friend and always being kind
- Angel for being such a lovely friend
- Allessa & Ginger Bear for being so brave at her new school

