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## Newsletter 3

Dear Parents



You may have noticed the amazingly beautiful planters at the front of school. We are very grateful to Mrs Atrill for organising this. but we would also like to extend a huge thankyou to **Whitehall Garden Centre at Whitchurch** for donating all of the compost and plants. When all fully established they will look even better! Please do consider a visit there as they are very knowledgeable about plants and the best ones to pick...along with a wonderful Christmas display already!

Now that the more unpleasant weather is coming, we are fully aware that for some of you, there is a wait in between collecting or dropping off siblings. With this in mind, there are a number of areas that you are able to use to shelter, as long as it is done with adequate distancing in mind. You are welcome to use the covered area outside Reception class or the covered area by the gates to the MUGA. You are also welcome to use the covered areas outside year 1 and year 2, once those classes have either fully arrived in the morning (8:40 for Y1 and 8:50 for Y2), or after they have all left at the end of the day (3:00 for Y1 and 3:10 for Y2).



We are also planning our **Harvest celebration** for this year. We are hoping to collect items as usual to help those families in need, and there will be more information on the specific items requested next week plus the dates that we will be collecting. We are hoping to celebrate harvest with the children, but as we are unable to worship fully together or sing collectively, each class will be creating something that you will be able to see on your way into school during the final week of this term.

### Lollipop hours

We are aware that the contracted hours for Shirley to help cross the road does not quite cover the staggered entry and exit times of all year groups.

With this in mind, we have reviewed our provision and Shirley will be on duty at the following times:

**8:35-9:05 in the mornings**

**3:00-3:25 in the afternoons**

This should just about cover all year groups on their entrance and exit from school.



### It is definitely Autumn!

To keep an airflow, windows and doors are open far more in the school at present. Similarly, we are still hoping to use the outdoors in all weathers. Please be mindful of this and ensure that your children are wrapped up warm enough and have rain-proof coats.



### Covid updates

Thank you to everyone that is arriving at school at their allotted time for drop-off and collection. This is really helpful in order to get each class in separately to prevent overlap of bubbles within each class.



To meet with our risk assessment, we are requesting that no parents should be in the school building, either before or at the end of the day (except the walk through entrance for years 1, 3 and 4). This means that any meetings with teachers will need to be via Dojo or telephone, and children will need to be able to sort out themselves and their belongings once through the school door. I apologise if this causes any inconvenience, but it is a necessary measure.

### Football Club

For those parents with children at either football club, the car park gate will be open for you to collect your children at the end.

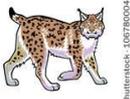


### Jumper naming

We have already spotted a number of nearly new jumpers without names! This means that we cannot return them if found, so please can you check that all school uniform is named.



### Celebration Assembly Certificates

<p><b><u>Lion</u></b></p> 	<p>I'd like to nominate the whole class again this week - for an excellent first full week at school. Everyone has coped really well including doing lots of new things such as starting phonics lessons, PE and Forest School. The whole class are really working hard and have taken all of our new routines in their stride. Keep up the good work for the rest of the term!</p>
<p><b><u>Leopard</u></b></p> 	<p>Sam- For showing super enthusiasm in maths. When completing our group learning task, Sam was engaged and confident with his answers and could explain his thinking well. Well done Sam, it was great to see a happy, enthusiastic face.</p> <p>Daniel - Every day you come to school with a smile on your face and are willing to put in your best efforts throughout the whole day. Alongside this, you are always super polite and respectful to everyone. Well done Daniel!</p>
<p><b><u>Panther</u></b></p> 	<p>Henry - For working really hard on his maths this week. We've been learning about fact families and Henry has shown good understanding and perseverance when working out all the related number facts.</p> <p>Mia - Mia has also really impressed with her focus and concentration in maths. She's becoming more confident and has a really good understanding of numbers and place value.</p>
<p><b><u>Tiger</u></b></p> 	<p>Harriet - For being so kind and respectful to everyone. Harriet often helps others and is generally very caring, for example, in the playground the other day, Harriet stopped and took the time to try to teach another member of the class to tie a bow on their coat.</p> <p>Dillion - For putting 100% into his work. Dillion really tries hard and perseveres even when he comes up against a challenge. He will seek help when he needs it. Dillion also contributes enthusiastically to class discussions. Well done and keep this up!</p>
<p><b><u>Jaguar</u></b></p> 	<p>Reggie - Has focused and listened very carefully this week to produce excellent writing with perfect punctuation and spelling! He tackles Maths challenges with confidence and takes a great sense of pride in his work and presentation. Keep it up, Reggie!</p> <p>Millie Ch. - For showing a fantastic and positive attitude with maths earlier this week. She still found it challenging, but didn't let that put her off and showed great perseverance and determination.</p>
<p><b><u>Lynx</u></b></p> 	<p>Rosa - Working so hard and trying new things, taking on challenges with a huge smile.</p> <p>Elise and Lily-Mae for working really well and supporting each other in maths to solve some really tricky problems.</p>
<p><b><u>Puma</u></b></p> 	<p>Lola: for showing enthusiasm and contributing to our maths investigation on spotting patterns in factors of larger numbers related to division.</p> <p>Phoebie: For demonstrating excellent editing skills in here creative writing based around being an evacuee in WW2.</p>
<p><b><u>Footballers of the week</u></b></p> 	<p>Footballer of the week: For excellent defensive play, staying on her feet and not diving in, enabling her to make several crucial interceptions and blocks - Lottie</p> <p>Footballer of the week: For great goalkeeping and some powerful shots - Charlie F</p> <p>Footballer of the week: For an all action midfield display and getting far more involved in matches - Talia</p>