



HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE



As part of their topic 'Awesome Australia', Year 1 had a very special visit from Mr Wheatley who moved to Australia when he was a little boy. Mr Wheatley answered lots of questions from the children about growing up in Australia, the animals he saw and the many differences between there and England. Mr Wheatley also showed the children how to play a didgeridoo and the children had a go themselves. Thank you to Mr Wheatley for spending the afternoon with us.



NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Program



As you know, the NSPCC visited our school yesterday and delivered their Speak out. Stay safe. assembly to years 1—6 inclusive, to share information with your child about how they can keep themselves safe from harm and get help if they have any worries. It was a very worthwhile and empowering session for both pupils and teachers. They spoke to the children and staff about the valuable work they do across the country, and talked about how important it is for everyone in our school community to join them in their 'fight for every childhood'.

Talking PANTS with your children

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website nspcc.org.uk/parents. The NSPCC's work in schools will help encourage conversations about staying safe – and they have a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'Talk PANTS', a simple way for parents to help keep children safe from sexual abuse – without using scary words or even mentioning sex.

The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone. You can find out more and download the free resources at nspcc.org.uk/pants

NSPCC Number Day

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in their Number Day on **Friday 7 February 2020**. The children all enjoyed working with Michelle from the NSPCC, who visited our school to teach our children about how to stay safe and the work of the NSPCC.

Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it. We are aiming to raise money for the NSPCC through a 'Sponsored Tables Test' (Years 2-6) and a Rainbow Challenge (Year R and Year 1). On Friday 7th February, the children are invited to come to school dressed in a maths or number related outfit. Children can wear any number related outfit ranging from a squad number on your football shirt to a costume to look like Thing One or Thing Two - or anything in between. On the day, the children will enjoy a range of maths activities and investigations throughout the morning and do their tables challenge (Year 2-6 only). We are looking forward to raising money to support the NSPCC and enjoying a morning of maths. Many thanks for your continued support with this event.

Parking and Road Safety

Please can we remind parents and carers that when dropping off and collecting your child/ children from school, to be considerate to our local residents and the school and wider community. Please do not block driveways or cause any obstructions. We have recently received some reports of some inconsiderate driving where children and parents have been put at risk as cars have mounted the pavements on Mutton Hill.

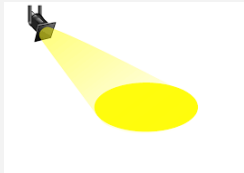
Mrs Eddy

ATTENDANCE

Our school target for attendance is 96%.

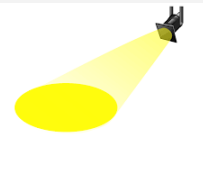
1st Place	Year 2	96 %

SHINE AWARDS



Our next Shine Assembly is on **Friday 24th January 2020**, at 2.40pm.

Parents of the children below are warmly invited to attend.



Please come along to main reception no earlier than 2.35pm. A special well done to:

Reception	Emilie-Rose	For making fantastic progress in all areas of her learning, in particular her reading.
Year 1	Lola	For always giving her best across all her subjects, especially in phonics, reading tricky sentences.
Year 2	Hugo	For your effort and commitment in all areas and especially for your imaginative ideas in written and design activities.
Year 3	Ella	For gaining lots of confidence and working hard on English and maths challenges to take her learning further.
Year 4	Molly	For the care, effort and determination that she puts into all of her work. Molly is a great role model for others.
Year 5	Leo van Pelt	For the precision and care that go into each piece of work that Leo produces. We are all proud of his work.
Year 6	Niamh	For contributing increasingly to class discussion and for outstanding work in all areas.
Writer of the week	Max Year 2	For writing an exciting weather poem using rhyme to engage the reader.
YR & KS1 Reader of the week	Kiani Year 1	For reading consistently every night and moving up a book band.
KS2 Reader of the week	Chloe Year 5	For her reading skills and management of our reading area and topic table.
Mathematician of the week	George Go. Year 4	For fantastic behaviour for learning and challenging himself every day.
Performer of the week	Courtney Year 6	For great enthusiasm during PE and for doing a fantastic job being hot seated as an evacuee.
Citizen of the week	Caitriona Year 3	For outstanding support to her friend when learning about volcanoes