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16th October 2020 – End of Week 6 - Autumn Newsletter #8

Dear Parents,

This week we've had a school focus on our *kindness* value. We started the week sharing some examples of kindness from children and staff. We remembered Miley's Punk Kitchen from lockdown to help people who didn't have enough food, Dylan's cheese cakes for charity and Mr Thomas's volunteering to make our orchard a special place. More recently, we shared Mr Tullier's kindness in nominating Miss Pritchard for a special national teacher's award.

Have a look on our [writing blog](#) this week to see Year 2's homemade dream catchers that they will be using to inspire their instruction writing next week.

Family Meal Kit

We are working in conjunction with Feed a Child Torbay who is able to provide our school with an emergency family meal kit and recipe idea, for parents who are in financial difficulty and struggling to provide a family meal at home. At the moment this will continue until December 2020.

Please contact school directly, in the strictest confidence, and we will organise a meal kit for you to collect, either during the school day or if you would prefer, at the end of the day when the school is quieter.

Feed a Child Torbay can also provide 2 family meal kits for each week of a school holiday, if you are finding it particularly hard to provide a meal for your family during Covid19. You just need to tell us how many are in your family and then Feed a Child Torbay will drop the two kits off to the school. October half-term is just around the corner and if you need two meal kits please contact us as soon as possible to enable us to organise this for you.

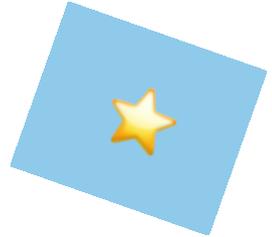
Have a lovely weekend.

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Tim Hughes (Headteacher)



Attendance Stars –for 16th October 2020



Whole school for last week: 98.3% (end year school target is 96%)

Class stars: **Apple and Birch Class with 100%** - that means just 2 more class stars needed for an Apple or a Birch Class non-uniform day!

Individual stars of the week...

Beech	Jack for trying so hard to improve his handwriting this week. You used the outside area to continue practising your letters. We must not forget your amazing rocket creation as well!!
Pine	Lola for taking responsibility for her own learning over the past few weeks. She has been joining in with the class routines with a big smile on her face!
Oak	Evie B has been showing all of our core values this week. She is always taking responsibility for her learning by listening well and joining in with activities, she shows respect to others and she is a kind friend to the children in the class. A true star!
Apple	Over the past few weeks Alfie T has settled into our daily routine really well and he has tried so hard to produce work he is proud of. He listens to the instructions and when completing writing tasks he thinks about all of the sounds he has learned in his phonics lessons. Well done Alfie!
Birch	Thomas - For your fantastic behaviour and enthusiasm for learning this week! Keep it up!
Rowan	Poppy T - for being incredibly aspirational in all subjects including Google classroom; you are an inspiration to others around you.
Cherry	Adam for being a very diligent member of Cherry class. He displays fabulous concentration and works with quiet determination to complete all tasks set. This week he has shown a clear understanding of the difference between formal and informal language.
Hazel	Madiha- she is always polite and friendly! She stands out for her superb attitude and respectful nature- Mr Mayling has also mentioned her fantastic work in gymnastics this half-term! Well done, Madiha!
Willow	Evelyn- I've spotted Evelyn being super kind on a few occasions this week in particular I noticed her during a maths lesson. Evelyn had finished her calculation on her whiteboard and she noticed the child next to her was struggling with their column addition. Evelyn quietly leant over and helped them, explaining where they had made a mistake! What a super learner!
Holly	Jameson has helped other children during our computing lessons this week by sharing his knowledge and demonstrating how to access and use programs when other children have found it difficult. He has been a valuable assistant! Thank you Jameson.
Maple	Leon- your participation has been unbelievable this week! You have worked so hard and have really impressed us with your responsible attitude to learning. What a brilliant week, Leon!
Hawthorn	Noah- you have a wonderful attitude and have been a superb role model for Hawthorn class this week. You show kindness and respect to everyone, and have continued to push yourself in all areas of learning. Keep up the great work!

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