

Dear Parents and Carers

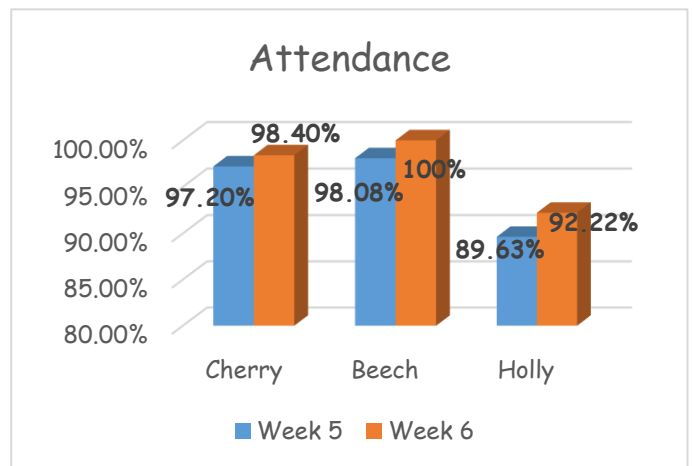
We have had a busy couple of weeks, so hope you enjoy finding out about what we have been up to. Please make sure you are signed up for parents evening next week. The session is limited to 10 mins to ensure there is a time to discuss each child. The sign up forms are by the double doors in the foyer by the school office. The teacher will share how your child has settled into to the term and their targets.

Please be aware that we have set the following INSET days this year.

Monday 18th November Friday 20th December Monday 24th February Wednesday 22nd July.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Cherry and Beech. Our school target this year is 96.5%. Please can you make sure that your child is in school for 9.00 a.m. as a late registration affects their classes' attendance figures. Thank you



GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to the following children, who have been mentioned in our Golden Book, which is shared in our Celebration Assembly.

3rd October 2019

- Beech** **Tabitha** - Maths Mentor, Support others and being proud of her own achievement
Georgie - consistently working hard, listening and staying focused.
- Holly** **Jayem** - great teamwork
Fergus - always pushing himself to try difficult work
Esther - not giving up when she finds things hard

10th October 2019

- Cherry** **Tallulah** - for being really independent with maths and writing.
Winter - For trying really hard with all of her work.
- Beech** **Henry** - Perseverance in his work. Always wanting to do his best and striving for the best!
Bea. G - Determination and always trying her best in class.
- Holly** **Phoebe** - Really accepted challenges a risen to them. Wonderful kindness.
Elsie - Determination to succeed, even when it is tricky.

DIARY DATES

OCTOBER

- 14th Harvest Festival 2pm
 15th Parent Consultations 3.30- 6.30pm
 17th Parent Consultations 3.30-5.00pm
 23rd FoFs Meeting at the Ram 7.30pm
 24th Holly Class to Michelham Priory
 24th Spooky Disco
 28th - 1st Nov Half Term

NOVEMBER

- 4th Flu Vaccinations
 18th INSET

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

The sign-up sheets for our parent consultations on 15th and 17th October are up in the foyer, by the school office. Please come and make an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher. If you are unable to come into school then please contact the school office who can arrange a time with you. Thank you.

DINNER MONEY

Please note that from Monday 4th November, Chartwells will be moving to the on-line cashless 'ParentPay' system and you will no longer be able to pay in school. ParentPay activation code letters will be sent home with your child at the end of October. Please make sure you register online. If you do have any problems, you will need to contact ParentPay directly. Please ensure that any outstanding amounts for dinners are cleared by Thursday 24th October so the kitchen can update their records.

PARENT FORUM

Following on from the planned Parent Forum, we have attached our Behaviour and Discipline Policy that was ratified at our governor meeting last night. The Golden Rules, which the children follow, are at the end of the policy in Appendix 1. Unfortunately, no one attend the forum at Firle so there are no minutes to share.

FLU VACCINATIONS

By now, you should have received a consent form for the flu vaccination, for your child. The vaccines will be administered on Monday 4th November 2019. However, the forms are being collected this coming **Monday 14th October**. If you have not yet returned your form, please do so by Monday morning at the latest.

CITY MISSION ASSEMBLY

City Mission came in to lead our worship. They did a play for the school about Harvest through the years. The children enjoyed the performance. **Flynn and Felix (Holly)**

WEAR IT YELLOW

We had a very colourful day yesterday when children came to school with any item they had yellow in. This ranged from hair ribbons and hats to princess dresses and even teddy ears. It was lovely to see so many involved. The main aim was to raise awareness of mental health. All monies raised will go to Young Minds. A fantastic total of £51.50 was raised, thank you to all who contributed.

PARKING

We have had another complaint about parking from our neighbours. Please be considerate of others when leaving your car to collect your children. If another family member or friend is picking up your child please can you let them know not to park on the private road. Many thanks.

HOLLY CLASS QUIZ AT BRIGHTON COLLEGE

Some children from Holly Class went to an inter school quiz at Brighton College aimed at Year 5 and 6 children. There were five different rounds of 10 questions each and these covered things like places, word games, general knowledge, music from films and catchphrases. One of our Holly Class teams came an impressive 3rd place. All the children behaved impeccably and enjoyed the evening. **Flynn and Felix (Holly)**

We are so proud of them all for working collaboratively together at the quiz and representing the school so well. Well done to all those who took part.

HARVEST FESTIVAL CHURCH SERVICE

Please come along to our Harvest assembly on Monday 14th October at 2p.m in the church, everyone is invited. We will be supporting the City Mission Foodbank so please bring in donations of tins, toiletries, packets and pet food in the morning. After the Harvest service there will be a collection for Starfish Malawi. Children can be taken home straight from the church, after the service.

COATS

The weather is definitely turning more autumnal and a little wetter. We still have a number of children coming to school with no coat. We encourage children to go out to play as much as we can, even in drizzle. Please, therefore, ensure that your child brings a coat to school, every day, as the weather is very changeable.

Equally, children doing Forest School will go out come rain or shine so please ensure that children come prepared, with old clothing, waterproofs and appropriate footwear. If children are not dressed for the weather the decision may be made to leave them at school with another year group.

FRIENDS OF FIRLE SCHOOL

FOF now have an email address that all members of the committee have access to.

If you cannot make the meeting and have any ideas you would like to put forward or any skills relevant to helping out please do get in contact at friendsoffirleschool@gmail.com

FOF invites you to the 'SPOOKY DISCO ' ...our first event of the school year!

Please come along for dancing, crafting and feasting fun on Thursday 24th October straight after school until 5:45 (poster attached).

There will be a permission slip going out next week with full details so please keep an eye out in book bags!

Any help to set up for the disco would be much appreciated; we will be setting up in the school hall from 2 o'clock on 24/10/19.

Thanks to everyone who joined us at the ram on Wednesday for our meeting, great turn out.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 23rd October 7:30 at The Ram Firle with the Christmas fair being top of the agenda.

Minutes from the first meeting (2/10/19) are also attached.

Thank you

Lucie Crago & Helen Sadler

Co-chairs Friends of Firle School