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Term 1 2018-2019 – Week 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

The term is flying by and with only 2 weeks until half term there is quite a lot going on. If you have any questions regarding events raised in the newsletter please contact the school office who will be willing to help.

The weather is starting to get colder so can you make sure that your child bring s a coat into school every day.

Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to, Underwater, High Peaks and Jungle who have had Attendance Bear over the last two weeks. Our school target this year is 96.5%.

	Underwater	Bugs	High Peaks	Jungle
Week 4	100%	97.5%	100%	95.2%
Week 5	93.8%	98.8%	96.5%	99.2%

REWARDS

Congratulations for starting the new school year with their next Pupil Point certificate go to...

400 points- Bugs – Arlo, Delilah, Malakai

500 points-Bugs Rhea

600 points- Bugs- Madison

STAFF CAR PARK

Please be aware that some of our support staff are using the staff car park until 8:40 in the mornings. Whilst they take great care when parking, there are a number of children who run across this area as they come into school. If you are entering the school via the staff car park please could you ask your children to wait for you before crossing it to ensure their safety.

Please also avoid using it as a turning point. Many thanks.



SKIPPING WORKSHOP

We are having a skipping workshop day on Tuesday 6th November. Each class will have a session with a skipping coach and parents are welcome to come along to an assembly at the end of the day at 2:30p.m where

some children will share the new skills they have learnt.

Diary

October

9th –Individual school photos

16th - Parent Consultation at 3.30pm-6.30pm

16th – Harvest Festival at 2.30pm

17th - Parent Consultation at 3.30pm-5.30pm

19th – End of Term

29th – Children return to school

31st – LSA Hallowe'en Disco

November

16th- Take Over Day

16th- Children in Need

16th- Flu vaccinations YR R-5

19th- Open afternoon 2-3pm

21st -Open morning 9.15-10.15am

28th -Big Sing for Jungle class

December

7th-KSI Nativity

11th- Christmas Concert at 2pm

12th –Christmas Lunch

19th –Christmas church service at 2pm

19th – End of Term

SOCIAL MEDIA

We recognise in today's world that social media can be an efficient way to communicate with groups and has a huge amount of benefits, however please can we make sure that if you are part of an online social network group to not discuss staff, other children or incidents in school. This can be really upsetting for staff, parents and children. If you do have any concerns regarding your child with another child please contact their class teacher first, for their help. Many thanks.

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ECO GROUP

Thank you to all those children who have applied to be an Eco Warrior for this academic year. We have extended the closing date until Monday 8th October at 3:15p.m. The form is attached with this newsletter. Thank you.

KS2 FOOTBALL



We are delighted that Mr Vening (a parent volunteer) is coming in on Wednesday lunchtimes to help to run a football club with Mr Sidebottom supporting.

The club will run for 30mins from 12.15pm-12.45pm and the children will eat afterwards.

We have had approximately 20 children from KS2 showing an interest in the club. If children are interested in taking part could you please send them in with appropriate clothing and footwear, on a Wednesday. Trainers would be ideal (no studs please).

Due to the timings of the club, it would be great if children taking part in the football could bring in a packed lunch for Wednesday, which they can eat after they have finished playing.

We are hoping to arrange a match with Firle soon.

NUTS IN LUNCHES

We do have children in school with severe nut allergies. Please can you make sure that you do not give your child any food containing nuts in their packed lunch. Thank you.



HARVEST FESTIVAL ASSEMBLY

We will be having our Harvest Festival Assembly on Tuesday 16th October 2:30p.m. All parents and carers are welcome to come along. The assembly will be led by High Peaks Class. We will be collecting non-perishables which can include toiletries for the Uckfield Foodbank.

PARENT CONSULTATION

The sign-up sheets for our parent consultation meetings are in the foyer. Please make sure you have signed up and if you are unable to come into school then contact the school office who will do it for you. Thank you.

SPIRALS OF INQUIRY

Last Thursday Mrs Brown and I attended a conference on Spirals of Inquiry. This is a programme that was founded in British Columbia to close the gap between learners and has been successful in a number of other countries. Both Laughton and Firle have piloted this programme this year which has been funded by ESCC.

The programme involves finding out from the children how they feel about their learning by asking 4 set questions. The responses are then analysed to get a hunch of what may be impacting progress. The staff then use action research to find out more about possible strategies and then implement a change in school to see if it impacts on progress.

Last year Mrs Coakley started a Critique wall in her class for children to comment on each other's work and give valuable feedback on how it could be improved. This has helped them become reflective on their own learning and become more specific in using words to explain how a piece of work can be improved. We found this really supported children and it has been further developed this year. Our aim was to encourage children from an early age to accept feedback and next steps and see them as being positive for their learning. We now hope to share this practice across the school.

We have put a display up in the corridor, which you are welcome to look at.



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MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON

Thank you to all of you who supported our Macmillan Coffee afternoon last Friday. Thank you, also, to all the staff and parents for the delicious cakes. We raised an awesome £277.29. Well done!



Kind Regards

Mrs Rachel West, Mrs Vicki Brown