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School Council 2016-17

Congratulations to our newly elected School Council: Jayson Basa, Danica Monreal, Megan Ndasi, Preston Makepeace, Jayda Charles, Lexie Springer, Charlie Gillas, Ann-Marie Lawrence, Casey Davies, Ethan Digweed, Alba Del Prado, Liam Jelly, Irene Garcia, Jesse Addai-Bosompem.

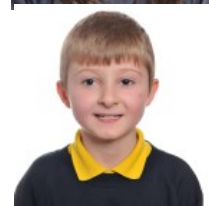
The School Council will meet regularly throughout the year to talk about things that we might do to help children in our school learn better and enjoy their playtimes more. Sometimes Mr Cosgrove will ask the School Council questions to find out what the children think about particular things.

At our first meeting this week we elected the officers: Chairman: Jayson Basa, Vice-Chair: Danica Monreal, Secretary: Megan Ndasi.

Next time we will be discussing:

- Do we have too many non-uniform days?
- Should we change our uniform shirts in the summer because yellow attracts bugs?

Please let your school councillors know what you think about these and any other matters that are important to you.



Friday 14th. October

Harvest Mass 10.00 a.m.

Donations of food are invited and will be delivered, after Mass, to Readifood, Reading's food bank.
Parents are warmly invited to join us for Mass in the church.

First Holy Communion 2017

Information evening for parents
Tuesday 11th. October

7 p.m. in the school hall

If your child is a baptised Catholic in Year 3 or above and you would like him or her to make their First Holy Communion next summer please come to the meeting.

Allergies

In the past two weeks on three occasions a child with known allergies has suffered an allergic reaction: we think these reactions have been due to others bringing in products, like chocolates, that contain nuts. Please could all parents be vigilant? Always read the packaging and the labels on things you buy to send in to school. If the label says: "may contain nuts" the product should not come into school.

**Please Remember:
No nuts in school**

We have several children who are allergic to nuts.

We started our week in Greek and finished in Chinese.

Kalimera

Ni hao



Congratulations to...

Emily McAuley, who took part in yet another Irish dancing *feis* last weekend—this time in Nottingham and came away with 10 super medals!

Very well done to Emily.

Apologies to Connor McNiffe, whose Kick-boxing belt is purple, not orange as stated in last week's newsletter. Well done and apologies to Connor.



Thank you

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Raised last week for MacMillan Nurses

The generosity of our school community, parents and children is amazing. Thank you all—and particularly the parents who donated cakes and then bought them back!

Blog of the Week

Our School blogs are becoming famous. Hundreds of people have viewed them in the past couple of weeks. 298 people have visited Miss Kerrigan's class blog alone. We have had visitors from the USA, from Qatar, New Zealand, Spain, Mexico, Denmark, Finland, Pakistan, Japan, Germany, Ukraine and a host of other countries: people from 14 different countries have logged on to see the work from Mr Krasnopolski's class.

What our visitors see is a brilliant showcasing of the work our children do in school. This week Miss Hollows' class posted a video showing the children developing fine motor skills; Miss Kerrigan has put up pictures of her class developing their number bonds; Miss Asker's class showed us some beautiful Art work they have done; Miss Clarke's class has a great account from Olivia of her trip to the Dominican Republic, where her parents had a hotel room with a Jacuzzi in the middle of it!

But for the sheer quality of the writing, Blog of The Week this week is won by Mrs Kassam's class. Keeley and Jamiellyn's accounts of their trip to Reading Museum are super, and there are plenty of other first-rate entries on the blog.

Check out our blogs at: www.ctkreading.net

Parents may also be interested to know that a button on the blog website allows instant translation into any of 100 different languages. This could be very useful if you have relatives who live in other countries who wish to read our blog.

How can I help my child do well? 5

SHARE STORIES

Stories help children to make sense of the world.

Sharing stories helps children with their reading and their writing, and of course it helps children to develop their vocabularies.

Stories also allow children to think about things from different points of view; they help children to predict how other people might act; they allow children to explore unfamiliar situations and settings in safety. For this, the stories don't have to be in English. The power of story to help children works in every language.

Scientists have found that stories shared with parents are much better for children than either films or TV.

So read to your children; read with your children; and - if you can - tell your children stories. It will help them to do well at school.

Parents often ask how they can help their children do better. So every week this term we will print a simple tip.



Pokemon Cards

Pokemon Cards and other toys should not be brought into school. They distract children from their work and often cause problems between children. We would be very grateful for parents' co-operation with this.

World Mental Health Day

Monday 10th October

This World Mental Health Day, MHFA England is calling on everyone to 'Take 10 Together'. Check in on someone - a friend, a family member, a colleague or student - and have a 10-minute conversation with them about their mental health and wellbeing.

Reception Parents' Workshop

For Reading and Phonics

Tuesday November 8th.
9 a.m. in the school hall.

Come and find out how we work with your children, and how you can help them to do well with their reading and phonic skills.

Make sure you always receive our weekly newsletter. Join the growing number of parents who receive their