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> Thought for the Week Be A Person You Can Be Proud Of!

## Headteacher's Message

Our Reception children have finished their first full week at school and I can see by their faces as I walk around that they are having a fantastic time. They even had their first PE lesson today. I think they will sleep well this weekend!

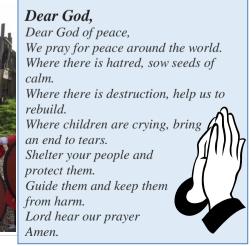
A surprised group of children were invited to my first 'Proud as Punch' party this Wednesday and we had a lovely time tucking into some delicious fruit and a milky cocktail. At last week's staff meeting we discussed children's presentation in their writing and a number of children were mentioned for their efforts – hence the invitation. Of course, this is only one of a number of ways we congratulate children's achievements in school but it is clearly a hit. I'm now looking forward to celebrating with many more of our children over the year.

The PTA had the first meeting of the year on Wednesday. We started to organise the firework display, which will be on November 4<sup>th</sup> this year. Please keep the date free – I am sure it will be as brilliant as ever. Gates will open at 5pm so there will be an opportunity for you to eat and have a look around before the fireworks. As you can imagine, it is essential that we have as much help as possible to adhere to Health and Safety regulations so please put your name down when the board goes out - nearer to the event.

Another date for your diary is the Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning next Friday (September 29<sup>th</sup>). The PTA will be hosting this great event in the school hall. It is always a great opportunity for parents to meet one another while raising funds for such a worthwhile charity. Parents are invited to attend at 9.15am, followed by the children. All donations of bought and homemade cakes can be brought in on Thursday 28th after school. For safeguarding reasons please ensure cakes DO NOT CONTAIN NUTS.

Tomorrow, the Governing Body will be holding their annual Welcome Event for all parents new to the school, the doors open at 5.00 pm and close at 7.00 pm. Mr Shuffles will be on hand to entertain the children and there will be wine and cheese for the parents. It is a terrific family entertainment for a donation of £5.

Year 4 children had a brilliant day on Wednesday at Murton Park. They dressed as Roman soldiers for the day, learnt all about their daily lives as well as how to use swords and javelins and create a battle formation. It was a super day. They were certainly exhilarated on their return to school staff were exhausted!







Mrs Ventress has started a new club in school which is proving very popular. Minecraft is a Lego style adventure game where the children can create their own structures and contraptions out of cubes. The theme for this half term is Rome so they had to build a pizza in 10mins. There was lots of variation and everyone did really well. There were two quick builds that were voted the winners this week, Josh and Carys. Well done to them – I think they need to teach the staff some of their skills.

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## **Mobile App**

I am pleased to say that our school Mobile App is almost ready. We are still at the test stage but you can download this to your Smartphone in preparation. We will make everyone aware when it is fully up and running and advice on how to use it.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the expected good weather.

**Mrs Jane Hainsworth** 

PTA NEWS!

It is the final few days for supporting school when shopping at Asda, Holt Park. Please remember to put your green tokens in our supporting box. Thank you The PTA Committee

**Attendance and Minutes Late Report** 

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance (5th September 2017 – 15th Sept 2017)	99.58%	99.46%	99.23%	99.26%	99.81%	95.91%	98.03%
<b>Minutes</b> <b>Late</b> (11th – 15th Sept 2017)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of children arriving between 9.00 - 9.05am (11 <sup>th</sup> - 15th Sept)	0	0	2	3	0	1	6



Last week's On Time Award goes to:

Reception, Year 1 and Year 4

## Golden Book Tuesday 19th September 2017 – this week's Golden Stars!

Year 1 Staff Vote	Ruby for demonstrating different types of rolls in gymnastics. You had a really helpful manner towards others. Savannah for trying really hard with her handwriting. Your concentration during our phonics sessions is good.			
Year 2 Staff Vote	Sophie for a fantastic effort in her spellings, phonics and reading. A brilliant start to the year.			
Year 2 Pupil Vote	Ava for her brilliant demonstration in gymnastics to help the class.			
Year 3 Staff Vote	Jake for showing an excellent attitude to learning since starting in Year 3.			
Year 3 Pupil Vote	Lander for helping Mateen up when he fell down.			
Year 4 Staff Vote	Tristan for a super attitude to his learning since coming into Year 4. Keep it up!			
Year 4 Pupil Vote	Billy for being a good friend and helping in guided reading			
	Annie because she makes sure I'm part of the game and helped me in guided reading.			
	Darcy for being a great friend.			
Year 5 Staff Vote	Halle for her outstanding attitude to her learning since coming back from the summer holidays.			
Year 5 Pupil Vote	Isla for being a great friend.			
Year 6 Staff Vote	Matthew for always trying his best – he is keen and ready to learn always.			
Year 6 Pupil Vote	Hema and Ethan for being helpful partners in maths.			

## Dinner money is now due for this term. Please note the cost of school meals has increased from £2.05 to £2.10, per day.

Parents paying weekly should always send dinner money in each Monday morning. Cheques should be made payable to Leeds City Council. Thank you. Anyone wanting to change from school meals to packed lunch and vice versa, the office requires a half terms notice.

Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2		
5 <sup>th</sup> September-20 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	30 <sup>th</sup> October – 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2017		
£71.40	£73.50		

Dates for the Diary (New Dates added in red)

Saturday 23 September 2017	Governors New Parents Welcome Event 5-7pm
Thursday 28 September 2017	Year 3 trip to 12 Apostles
Thursday 28 September 2017	Abbey Grange Open Evening – 6.30pm
Friday 29 September 2017	Macmillan Coffee Morning – see details in main body of newsletter
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Year 6 residential to Carlton Lodge
Sunday 8 October 2017	Adel Parish Church Harvest Festival 10am – Young Voices attending
Wednesday 11 October 2017	Year 5 trip to Temple Newsam
Friday 13 October 2017	Harvest Festival at school – all welcome 9.15am
Tuesday 17 October 2017	Individual class photographs
Friday 20 October 2017	Last day of term
Monday 30 October 2017	First day of Autumn term 2
Monday 30 October 2017	Parents consulations board in entrance
Friday 3 November 2017	Year 1 trip to Flamingo Land
Saturday 4 November 2017	PTA Bonfire extravaganza (option 1)
Tuesday 7 November 2017	Parent consulations – whole school
Wednesday 8 November 2017	Parent consulations – whole school
Wednesday 8 November 2017	Reception 2018 – Open morning – 9.30am
Saturday 11 November 2017	PTA Bonfire extravaganza (option 2)
Monday 13 November 2017	Anti-Bullying Week – Blue Monday - details to follow
Thursday 16 November 2017	Nasal Flu Immunisation Reception-Year 4
Friday 17 November 2017	Children in Need
Thursday 23 November 2017	Reception 2018 – Open morning – 9.30am
Thursday 23 November 2017	Year 4 – Rewind to Christmas – South Prade Baptist Church
Friday 1 December 2017	Whole school walking to church for Advent – 9.30am walking volunteers needed
Tuesday 5 December 2017	Evening Performance of Nativity KS1 & Reception 6.30pm
Wednesday 6 December 2017	Afternoon Performance of Nativity KS1 & Reception 1.45pm
Friday 15 December 2017	Christmas Collective Worship – 9.15am all welcome
Friday 15 December 2017	Carols around the Christmas tree – 2.45pm all welcome
Friday 15 December 2017	Last day of term
Tuesday 2 January 2018	Whole school training day
Wednesday 3 January 2018	First Day of Spring Term 1
Thursday 4 January 2018	Reception 2018 – Open afternoon – 1.30pm
Wednesday 25 July 2018	Whole school training day

2 more training days still to be arranged