



Newsletter:

26th November 2021

Value: Helpfulness

# Seven Fields Primary School-Newsletter

### Dear Parents/Carers

As we reach the end of November, I can see the twinkling lights in houses starting to be put up in preparation for the festive season. This week we are discussing helpfulness as a value and there is no doubt that this has two meanings. We can be of benefit or advantage or useful to each other which is a very practical and important aspect of helpfulness. For example we are grateful to our PTA for stepping into the road safety at the start and ends of the day during Martin's planned absence. However, a perhaps more important explanation of helpfulness is around cooperation, kindness, support, assistance, sympathy, friendliness, rallying round, neighbourliness. These are values that we try to engender within our pupils in school just as much as you do within the home and between you as neighbours. I'm sure over the next month there will be times when we will all need to draw on each others sympathy, kindness and support. These values are the best gift anyone could receive.

### COVID-19

There is still concern over the mutating versions of the virus. Please be vigilant with social distancing and handwashing at home as well as encouraging your children to do the same in school. Ventilation is key and this week we received CO2 monitors from the government to place in classrooms. We already have automated windows for such situations but again, its a useful safeguard. Even though its cold at the moment, ventilation in the home is just as important. In school we have been advised this week to continue with the current measures we have in place. Across Swindon, rates are higher amongst 10-14 year olds. Let's please remain vigilant and get PCR confirmation when needed.

### Uniform

It looks like the weather is about to change with the forecast for wind and colder temperatures next week. Please do make sure your child has a coat in school. It was good to hear parents collecting their child's uniform from the office. Our supplier is very reasonable.

#### **Educational Visits**

I was delighted to support children in puffins and Kingfishers this week with their visit to the discovery centre in Bracknell. We have not been able to do such an event before but it was fantastic to welcome the children back to school on Wednesday with faces filled with awe and wonder. My thanks to all the staff for organising such a splendid occasion.

We are looking forward to welcoming two support and challenge partners from the River Learning Trust next week. It is always useful to get recognition and acknowledgement of the things we are doing well but also to get guidance on what we can do better. We have come so far in the last 2 and half years and the school improvement journey does not stop.

### Christingle

We hope to continue to ensure pupils fully engage with these traditions of Christmas but acknowledge their predominant Christian connotations. Please do contact us if you do not wish your child to participate for religious reasons. Children should be coming home with their oranges and their dolly mixture creations next week.

Have a fantastic weekend everyone.

D Booth



### This week's certificate nominations are as follows:

Butterflies AM and PM	Myla for always being a Seven Fields superstar	Josh for being kind and helpful to his friends
	Saphire for listening to adults and settling to play quickly	Daniel for joining in with our singing actions on the carpet
Bumblebees	Oscar for settling to learn quickly	Boe for working hard to listen to adults
Robins	Isaac for settling to learn quickly	Macie for being kind and looking after her friends
Sparrows	Jae-Jay for producing a wonderful piece of artwork	Harry for producing amazing writing this week
Wrens	Jack for always trying his best	Rayyan for working hard and improving his handwriting
Puffins	Ollie for fantastic work on capital cities in Geography	Alex-May for working hard on column subtraction in Maths
Kingfishers	Scarlett for having confidence to try new challenges on our trip	Michael for having confidence to try new challenges on our trip
Hummingbirds	Freya for always being polite and well mannered	Daisy for her fantastic effort with her explanation text
Falcons	Martin for settling to learn quickly	Darcy for persevering with her maths this week
Eagles	Samual for showing a great attitude to learning	Rico Jones for excellent playground behaviour
Kestrels	Michael for settling to learn quickly	Brandon for completing his phonics
Special mentions	Puffins for being absolute superstars on their school trip	Jake for being a good friend this week especially at lunchtimes

This week's winners of the Dojo cup are:

Wrens

## Dojos gained this week

Class	<b>Total Dojos</b>	<b>Class Winner</b>
Miss Mitchell	1278	Boe 89
Miss Goss	800	Macie 69
Miss Bickle	665	Muhannad 52
Mrs Wright & Miss Neville Miss Smith &	1419	Jack 91
Miss Roberts	914	Eira 42
Miss Jessop	992	Abdul 60
Miss Peapell	1075	Isabelle 61
Miss Martin	981	Martin 55
Miss Grimwood	345	Samual 34
Mr Donnelly	806	87





Attendance	
Bumblebee Class	93.00
Robin Class	89.11
Sparrow Class	83.94
Wren Class	88.46
Puffin Class	94.10
Kingfisher Class	79.63
Hummingbird Class	91.19
Falcon Class	95.38
Kestrel Class	79.63
Eagle Class	95.83

And the attendance cup goes to

Eagles







# House points totals this week:

Snowdon 58

Slieve Donard 74

Ben Nevis 66

Scafell Pike 66



This weeks behaviour cup winners are:

Laison for making the right choices in lessons and Isla for always being a fantastic role model.



They are back! Hot chocolate Fridays have returned and we would like to say a huge well done to the following children for receiving the most dojos in their class this week:

Martin, Abdul, Isabelle, Muhannad, Jack, Caelan, Samual, Eira, Macie and Boe













We would like to congratulate Harry from Year 6 and his wonderful achievements during a dance competition he took part in a few weeks ago. He wanted to share with us his accomplishments for which we are very proud of him for.

Well done Harry keep up the good work!

### 1st fast solo

1st starter of starter category

### 1st fast pairs

1st u12 team

2nd slow solo

2nd slow pairs

2nd rock & Roll

2nd street pairs

4th black night

4th big & little (out of over 60 pairs)





Sparkle dance championships 2021







# **EXPLORE**





# **DISCOVER**



On Wednesday the children in Puffin and Kingfisher class were very lucky to go on a school trip to the lookout discovery centre in Bracknell. It looks like they had a great time.





















Peace at Lasy
JILL MURPHY

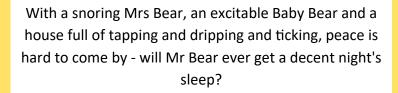
Butterflies have spent this week reading the wonderful story called Peace at last.

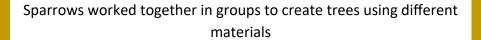


















## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

## **FUN FRIDAYS:**

3rd December: House colours and bring a bottle of anything

10th December: Wear Christmas colours red/gold/green or all three

17th December: Christmas jumper day

The chocolate and bottles will be used in a tombola the PTA will be putting on.

Date tbc

We have been lucky enough to have been supplied with stamps this year for Christmas post from the scouts. These stamps are 30p each making them a lot cheaper than buying from the shop. Pop to the office if you wish to purchase some and pop your post into the scout post box for delivery.



## **Christmas dinner days:**

Tuesday 7th December
Wednesday 8th December
Thursday 9th December

We will confirm the actual dates for each class nearer the time

We understand this time of year can be busy and very stressful. If your family is experiencing difficulties at home, we would like to provide additional support at school. We understand that you are not always able to share details and that is okay. If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning or weekend please text us

"Handle with care"

Nothing else will be said or asked.

This will let us know that your child may need extra time, patience or help during the day. We also understand that parents may need some extra support too so please do not hesitate to come and ask for help.

