



Mr Meadows' Welcome

Thursday was a very special day at Sladefield because we were successful in achieving a Silver Award for the work we have done linked to the Rights Respecting Schools Award. This has been a long process, which started almost 2 years ago, and has taken a lot of dedication and commitment from everyone in our school community. We take pride in the fact that we promote the Rights of the Child, and so it is absolutely fabulous that we have been awarded this prestigious accolade. Many thanks to those parents that joined us at the meeting and were so good in explaining to the accreditor how their children could explain about their rights when they were at home, and how the school had embedded the Unicef ideals into the day-to-day running of the school.

Training Opportunity

Are any of our parents interested in taking a course to become a Teaching Assistant? Colebourne School are running a CACHE (QCF) Level 2 qualification in 'Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools'. The course starts in January and, for many people, will be free of charge due to eligibility criteria. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Trevina Edwards, Colebourne's Family Support Worker, via email on t.edwards@colebourne.bham.sch.uk or via telephone on 0121 675 8500. Please be aware that places are offered on a first-come-first-served basis, so please be quick in making contact.

Policy Parent Workshop

A couple of weeks ago, myself and Mr Ur- Rehman led a workshop for parents focusing on E-Safety at home; the school's updated Marking & Feedback Policy; the changes to the school's Homework procedures; an Attendance update. We were really overwhelmed to see so many parents attending with over 120 children being represented. Feedback from the parents indicated the following: 93% of parents felt that they had a very good understanding of our new and updated policies by the end of the meeting; over 90% of the parents who attended felt that the delivery of the workshop and the materials provided were excellent; 95% of those who completed the feedback indicated that the interaction with parents was great, too! Next time, though, we look into ways of making the speaking easier to hear, and that the contents are suitable for the exact audience, maybe even splitting for EYFS & Key Stage 1 parents. Many thanks for the parents who completed the feedback form; your responses are very helpful indeed!

Free Magazine

We are hugely aware that now, more than ever, children are accessing a digital world on their parents' mobile phones as well as on other digital devices. Whilst we can monitor the children's use of digital media at school, it is parents' responsibility to ensure they are monitoring their child's use at home. Today, you will have received a copy of 'Digital Parenting', a magazine that give you information, hints and tips as to how to ensure your child is accessing digital media appropriately. In particular, I'd like to draw your attention to pages 41-45 which explains about parenting controls - a very useful few pages...

To Pastures New...

It is with a feeling of sadness that I have to write to let you know that Mrs Moffat will be leaving the school for pastures new at the end of this term. Mrs Moffat has been at Sladefield for just over 3 years, and has sprinkled the school with her kind heart and loving nature. She has built up lovely relationships with both the pupils and the staff at the school, and her caring personality will be sorely missed in the school. I know that you will all wish her well in her future ventures; please feel free to say your 'goodbyes' to her over the next 3 weeks - I know she will receive them with kindness. Class 11 parents will have received a separate letter today to explain Mrs Moffat's leaving in more detail.

Dojo Superstars – who had the MOST DOJOS last week?

CLASS 1 Tasniim with 100 Dojo points	CLASS 2 Ibrahim with 85 Dojo points	CLASS 3 Zakariyya with 43 Dojo points	CLASS 4 Ma'Wa with 148 Dojo points
CLASS 5 Saahil with 56 Dojo points	CLASS 6 Yusuf A with 48 Dojo points	CLASS 7 Hammad with 45 Dojo points	CLASS 8 Isa with 43 Dojo points
CLASS 9 Hashim with 15 Dojo points	CLASS 10 Yahya & Zoya with 10 Dojo points	CLASS 11 Eiliyah with 43 Dojo points	CLASS 12 Amin with 27 Dojo points

Attendance



We have very much been struck down with two very bad sicknesses over the past couple of weeks which has led to a very low attendance figure.

The biggest group affected was the Reception unit, where attendance was only 66.2% over the week. The staff have worked really hard to ensure that all precautions have been taken to make the unit germ free, including a complete deep-clean and cleaning the toys, tables and tuff trays thoroughly. We hope that another weekend of rest and a chance to clear themselves of the bugs that they have will see a much higher number of children attending school this forthcoming week.

Whilst the biggest impact on attendance has been in Reception, figures in Key Stage 1 has also been very low, with an average attendance of 90.9%.

A number of parents have been concerned that this illness will lead to them receiving a letter about their child's attendance. Please let me assure you that we will take any sickness absences into consideration when we send out letters this month.

Class 1	91.7%	Class 5	84.3%	Class 9	61%
Class 2	96%	Class 6	91.3%	Class 10	67.9%
Class 3	91.3%	Class 7	87.3%	Class 11	63.3%
Class 4	91.3%	Class 8	94%	Class 12	72.7%

Dates for your Diary

Things to remember during Autumn Term

Monday 3rd December – Year 2 trip to Soho Road Gurdwara - Cancelled due to the bad weather, will be re-arranged.
 Thursday 6th December – Year 2 trip to Soho Road Gurdwara
 Monday 10th December – Jazz Crawford, British athlete, in school
 Tuesday 11th December – Nasal Flu Vaccination
 Tuesday 11th & Thursday 13th December – Reception trip to St. Martin's Church & Birmingham City Centre
 Thursday 13th December – Safeguarding Workshops (9.00am and 2.15pm)
 Monday 17th December – Stickman film for Reception pupils
 Monday 17th December – Year Choir and poets performing at Birmingham Library
 Tuesday 18th December – Year 1 Nativity to parents
 Wednesday 19th December - Reception Carol Service to parents
 Thursday 20th December – Polar Express (Year 2) & Snowman (Year 1) films

Things to remember during Spring Term

Monday 7th January 2019 – INSET Day – children are not in school
 Tuesday 8th January 2019 – first day back at school for pupils
 Thursday 10th – Wednesday 16th January – Year 1 Maths Workshops (10/01 – C7; 14/01 – C5; 15/01 – C8; 16/01 – C6)
 Wednesday 16th & Thursday 17th January 2019 – Reception classes visiting Ward End Fire Station
 Tuesday 22nd January 2019 –Year 1 Dance Performance to parents (2.30pm)
 Wednesday 23rd January 2019 –Year 1 Dance Performance to parents (2.30pm)
 Thursday 24th January 2019 – EYFS Dance Performance to parents (9.00am)
 Monday 28th January 2019 – Class 5 & Class 8 trip to Coventry Transport Museum
 Tuesday 29th January 2019 – Class 5 & Class 8 trip to Coventry Transport Museum



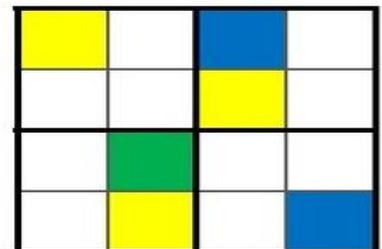
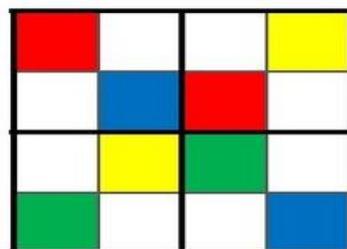
Star of the Week

Class 1	Aamina - ACHIEVEMENT - for showing much more confidence this week.	Class 7	Whole Class - RESPONSIBILITY - for excellent behaviour on the trip to Blakesley Hall.
Class 2	Eesa - EXCELLENCE - for producing some amazing homework about The Great Fire of London!	Class 8	Whole Class - RESPONSIBILITY - for excellent behaviour on the trip to Blakesley Hall.
Class 3	Ammerra - COMMITMENT - for trying extremely hard in everything that she does.	Class 9	Ibraheem - COMMITMENT - trying so hard in his writing & Phonics.
Class 4	Sara - ENJOYMENT - for being such a brilliant dancer!	Class 10	Alaina - ACHIEVEMENT - brilliant independent writing, including CVC words.
Class 5	Zoha - RESPONSIBILITY - for being such a responsible member of the class on the trip.	Class 11	Waheeb - EXCELLENCE - excellent Phonics work.
Class 6	Sumaiyah - RESPONSIBILITY - being such a good role model during the class trip to Blakesley Hall.	Class 12	Haadya - COMMITMENT - working really hard on improving her behaviour.

Homework Challenge

The anti-bullying work that was handed in was brilliant! Please come and take a look at the display that is up in the hall - the display work varies from posters to poems - a big 'Well Done!' to everyone who participated!
 This week's challenge - there are 2 Sudoku grids on the right. Can you fill the grids so that each row, column and box contains each of the four colours: green, red, blue and yellow?

5 Dojos awarded for each correct grid completed!



Name: _____

Class: _____