

***We will aspire to great things, shine our light and reach our God given potential.***

*‘let your light shine.’ (Matthew 5:16)*

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Dear Parent/Carers,

**Collective worship**

This week we have been thinking about our school value of resilience. We acted out the parable of the ‘Persistent Widow’ (Luke 18:1-8). This lady wanted justice when someone treated her unfairly. She had been really brave, going to a judge, and when she asked him for help, he refused to give her the fairness she wanted. But she kept going back! The reason Jesus told this story was to encourage his followers to keep trying – if things didn’t work out straightaway, they shouldn’t give up.

**Sponsored Walk**

This week the children have taken part in the sponsored walk. They showed determination and represented the school well. Many children have spoken positively about raising funds for their school and are excited about school matching then amount they have raised. I would like to thank you all for your generous donations and support in this area. We will announce how much has been raised at the end of next week and keep you updated with what the money will be spent on.

**Arbor**

As you know, school uses the Arbor App as a way of communication. We are finding that this is a very useful way to send emails and information about attendance and school clubs. If you are struggling to use the App please see the link below:

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/360020147458-Log-into-the-Parent-Portal-and-the-Parent-App#h_01HG8E8G6EXK62YYQ6Q6EJ6SMD>

**Communication**

Parents now only need the Arbor and Class Dojo apps.Parents can use the messaging service on class dojo to pass information on to teachers from Monday 7th October 2024. However, please note that any messages regarding collection from school and illness MUST go through the school office as teachers cannot guarantee to see any message sent during the day, whilst they are teaching. All information from school will go through these apps. We will also include information about emails that have been sent each week on here to ensure you are aware.

**Emails that have been sent out this week**

We all get lots of emails so to make sure that you haven’t missed any important one from school we will add a list of what has been sent below. Important emails that have been sent this week include:

-Crucial Crew

-School Photographs

-Applying for Secondary School

-Y2 Changes to the Sleepover event

**Attendance**

From Monday 7th October school will be following the new policy that has been implemented by JMAT. This means that all holidays will not be authorised and if the holiday should cause a child’s attendance to fall below 96% for the last 3 terms then school would have to refer this to the local authority who may issue a fixed penalty notice

**Recycling**

We will be offering - each term - an opportunity to swap/recycle good, clean uniforms, coats etc. Any items left will then be donated to a local clothing bank or charity. We will send more details closer to the time.

**Special mentions**

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| **Year** | **Learning Award** | **Value Award** | **Reading Award** |
| **F2** | **Kingfisher -** Lena - For just doing what is expected.  She will focus on her learning and do her best. | **Kingfisher -** Frankie – For being responsible and remembering to feed Sandy. | **Kingfisher -** Ralph – For showing his super blending skills in phonics |
| **Y1** | Lily-Jean for trying super hard in her phonics learning and being an all round resilient learner. | Theodore- For being a kind friend and becoming more confident in class. Theodore has shared some lovely ideas on the carpet. | Harrison- For focusing more in his reading practice sessions . Harrison has tried really hard to sound out any difficult words. |
| **Y2** | **Nightingales -** Grayson - For a fantastic poem! This week we have written poems using alliteration, Grayson's idea's were imaginative, thoughtful and very funny!  **Puffin-** Wednesday for her creative poetry | **Nightingales -** Harper - For being a shining star in the Nightingale family, Harper is always respectful, she is considerate of her friends feelings and is a brilliant role model.  **Puffin-** Eldon for resilience and determination in maths | **Nightingales -** Elijah - Impressive reading during reading practice, Elijah is becoming more confident when reading, keep up the great work!  **Puffin-** Halle for lovely reading of poetry to the class |
| **Y3** | **Swift-** Jackson -working extra hard during maths.  **Swallow-**Rosie - her brilliant attitude towards her learning, being resilient with editing her work during English lessons.  **House Martins -** Oliver - star learner for effort in english lessons writing independently | **Swift-** Tilly, showing resilience in her learning activities  **Swallow-**Harley - always being respectful to everyone and being a good role  model to everyone.  **House Martins -** Amelia - 3Rs certificate for always showing respect in class and being an excellent example to others | **Swift-** Tyler putting in great effort during his daily reading.  **Swallow-**Darcey - enthusiastic about reading  in school and at home.  **House Martins -** Roman - reading certificate for effort in phonics |
| **Y4** | **Avocets-**Jacob S - star learner - for his amazing work when doing column addition with exchanges. He is a superstar!  **Curlews-**Kai, for his fantastic English work using inverted commas for speech correctly.  **Oystercatchers-** Noah - an excellent piece of history work | **Avocets-**Miah - Star value of respect - for her amazingly positive attitude in all she does. She was especially respectful about the work of the artists we have been learning about in class.  **Curlews-**Darcey, for showing responsibility and respect towards all of her work and the classroom  **Oystercatchers-** Ollie- being more resilient in lessons | **Avocets-**Hector - star reader - for his lovely fluent read and his reading at home with his little sister.  **Curlews-**Lacey, for always having a positive attitude towards reading.  **Oystercatchers-** Betsy P- enjoying reading. |
| **Y5** | **Kestrel-**Daisy – for always being a good learner producing work of a high quality.  **Merlins-**Minnie for showing incredible enthusiasm in our wet PE session  **Peregrines-**Emelia B for always putting in her best effort in every subject | **Kestrel-**Lilly– For always following the 3Rs and for making a fidget resource for the class “calming corner”.  **Merlins-**Ivy for always showing respect  **Peregrines-** Myla D for always showing exemplary behaviour at all times | **Kestrel-**Esme, the massive progress she has made in her reading fluency and for her hard work at home.  **Merlins-**Henry for showing a significant improvement in his reading  **Peregrines-**Harriet BS for amazing enthusiasm about a book series |
| **Y6** | **Kites -**Florence- For working hard in her writing to edit and improve her report.  **Eagles-**Zoey- For challenging herself in every subject and asking for support when she needs it.  **Sparrowhawks-**Connie - 3Rs - for her resilience in maths.  It's been lovely to see her confidence blossom! | **Kites -**Jacob- Always following our 3Rs and being a brilliant role model to other children.  **Eagles-**Mason C- For always demonstrating the 3R's and supporting his peers in a positive way.  **Sparrowhawks-** Skye, for her hard work and dedication in all subjects, even when faced with resource issues. | **Kites -**Callum - Excellent analysis of a text in his extra reading practice  **Eagles-**Liam- for excellent enthusiasm in his daily reading.  **Sparrowhawks-**Eddie - Reading champion - for engaging fully in our poetry discussion |

**Attendance**

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| **Class** | **Weekly Attendance Figure** | | |
| **F2 - Kingfisher** | **87.22%** | | |
| **F2/Y1 – Skylark** | **95.12%** | | |
| **Y1/Y2 - Nightingale** | **88.52%** | | |
| **Y2 – Puffin** | **98.33%** | | |
| **Y3** | **House Martin** | **Swift** | **Swallow** |
| **96.46%** | **94.81%** | **97.03%** |
| **Y4** | **Avocet** | **Oystercatcher** | **Curlew** |
| **98.28%** | **97.5%** | **90.34%** |
| **Y5** | **Merlin** | **Kestrel** | **Peregrine** |
| **91.43%** | **94.84%** | **97.93%** |
| **Y6** | **Sparrowhawk** | **Eagle** | **Kite** |
| **93.48%** | **97.83%** | **95.83%** |

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Adam Minor *Although life may be very difficult at times, God promises He will give you the strength to bounce back.*

*"a bruised reed he will not break" (Matthew 12:20).*