



19th September 2025

You cannot serve God and money
Luke 16:13

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Next Thursday 25th September at 8.35 am we will be hosting our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Relief. There will be tea, coffee, juice and cake. Please do come along and support this great cause. As with last year, we will be setting up a special prayer box where anyone attending can write a special prayer intention for a loved one who has died and we will include these loved ones in our school prayers throughout the year.

Eco Club Green Flag Award

Once again we have been awarded the prestigious Green Flag Award for all of the Eco related work our Eco teams have done. Mrs Hodgson and Miss Knox work incredibly hard to run the clubs and collate all of the information so a huge well done to them. The panel sent school some great quotes:

"We loved reading that your young people took the lead in raising over £200 for a charity that protects marine life. Adopting an animal helps raise awareness of conservation projects, so well done."

"We loved that your young people contributed to reducing energy consumption around the school by raising awareness, and switching off lights and appliances not being used."

Golden Ticket Reading Challenge

I am sure that you are aware that we are currently running a special reading challenge across school. If the children read five times a week and have their reading records signed by a parent, they will be awarded a special golden ticket and their name will be put forward for a raffle ticket draw for our reading vending machine. The children are also putting their requests in for new titles to be purchased!

Piano Lessons: Spaces available

Mr Janosko, our computing teacher is also a piano teacher and currently has two spaces available for any children from Year 4 upwards to learn the piano. Lessons will cost £13 (payable to Mr Janosko directly) and lesson will take place just before the school day or during the day. Please contact school if your child is interested.

School Uniform

It has been great to see all of the children looking smart in full school uniform. Thank you for this. Please do ensure that all uniform is labelled (especially jumpers which have a habit of getting lost!) and that children bring a coat to school, even if the weather is sunny- just in case. A polite reminder that school shoes must be worn for school and not black trainers (except in Nursery/Reception where black trainers are permitted)

Please make sure that your child has their full PE kit in school. PE consists of white T-shirt and black shorts. Pumps must be worn inside and trainers are allowed for outside only. Plain black jogging bottoms or plain black leggings can be worn for outside lessons.

Support and Help

It is really important to us at school to know that if any parents/families are struggling for whatever reason then we are here to help as much as we can. Whilst our family support worker is off work with long term sickness, please do speak to the class teachers or directly to myself if you need any support in any way. Sometimes we can direct you to other professionals for support or we may be able to help ourselves. We are here to help.

Year 5 Swimming

The Year 5 children will be starting their swimming lessons soon. As with last year, swimming will take place every day for two weeks. A letter with more details has been sent to Year 5 parents on parenthub.

Year 5 trip – Chester

A letter with full details and a consent slip has been placed on the parenthub. Please ensure all monies are paid by Monday 20th October – thank you.

Year 6 Residential

Letters regarding payments and dates etc went out just before the Summer holidays. This is just a reminder that the first instalment is due on 22nd September – thank you.

Christmas Pantomime

Full details have now gone on Parenthub for all classes. Please ensure the monies are paid in by Monday 29th September in order that we can order the correct amount of tickets for children. Any queries please contact Mrs Barber.

Updated contact forms

We still have several forms outstanding. It is vitally important that you check these details carefully, make amendments where necessary, sign and return back as soon as possible. As we move forward we will be changing from our Parenthub App to the Arbor app (details will be given out nearer the time) however we need to ensure all contact details and at least one parental email address is on the system – any questions please contact Mrs Barber in the office – thank you.

Attendance Matters

As a school, we have always had really good attendance compared to other schools in the local authority. Good attendance is everyone's responsibility and we must maintain this and continue to improve. There is currently a renewed drive from the Department of Education and schools must be seen to promote excellent attendance. Whilst we appreciate there are times that children cannot come into school and individual children that we know about have medical conditions that impact on their health, we still need to do everything as a school to promote and celebrate excellent attendance.

Class attendances for this week.

Year Group	Attendance %
Reception	98.1%
Year One	98.5%
Year Two	92.1%
Year Three	91%
Year Four	95.8%
Year Five	91.9%
Year Six	99.7%

Well done to Year 6 for having the best attendance this week!

The class with the best attendance will receive an extra playtime each week.

Celebration Assembly

Our weekly celebration assemblies will take place at **2.30pm** on a Friday afternoon. Parents are welcome to attend, especially if your child has been awarded a certificate. If your child has been awarded a certificate, you will be sent a message the day before to invite you to the assembly, should you wish/be able to attend.

This week we congratulate the following children:

Nursery	-	-
Reception	Natalia Pietrus	For being a shining star!
Year 1	Ivy Nelson	For being a fantastic writer!
Year 2	Ruairi Prue	For having a fantastic attitude to his learning
Year 3	Malaz Abubaker	For excellent attitude and amazing dancing! Super work!
Year 4	Noah Crossley	For an amazing attitude to learning and excellent contributions in lessons! Keep it up!
Year 5	Freya Rothwell	For excellent work in Maths this week – ordering and comparing numbers! Keep it up Freya!
Year 6	Abdul Ahmed	For amazing writing about Odysseus
Mr McRae	-	-

Where a child's name has not appeared on the table above, it is because permission has not been given to include names on newsletters etc. Please contact the school office to amend this if needed for the future

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A Final Note

In this week's assembly we explored the different signs and symbols that we see around us. We talked about how the cross is a symbol of God's love for us all and that many Christians wear a cross with Jesus on it, known as a crucifix, to show their love of Jesus. The cross is also a symbol of hope which can offer us comfort when times are difficult and that we can choose God's way of love and hope.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

God bless,

Mr McRae
Head Teacher



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