



**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**  
**13th October 2017**



Dear Parents,

We started this week with a visit from Pudsey Bear- thank you to everyone for getting into the spirit of Children in Need. I hope you all saw the fun pictures of Pudsey signing into school. We will be fundraising in November for the event.

Can I thank Year 5 for taking the Harvest service this week. It was lovely to share this with the Year 5 parents and the rest of the school. We are very grateful for the food donations we have had.

For the second week Year5/6 have been fortunate enough to work with British cycling today – its great to see their skills developing.

Year 3/4 have had a fantastic Viking Day – thank you to the staff for organising such a great day.

**Attendance:**

Our whole school attendance target is **95.5%** .This week we achieved **94.1%**

**Good to be Green:**

Well done to the following children who won the good to be green raffle – Freddie Hadley, Elsie Hallam, Keira Bentley, Lucas Keen, Ruby-Mae Carroll, Shelby Gibson, Keira Bird, Leon Stevenson, Layla Davies, Angel Baddeley and Sky Gibson.

**Old £1 coins:**

These cease to be legal tender on the 31<sup>st</sup> September, and we can no longer accept them in school.

**Worship and Church News**

Our School's Christian values are COMMUNITY, RESPECT AND PERSEVERANCE.  
Autumn Term: Community.

During Worship this week we have been focusing on Harvest. Year Five led a wonderful Harvest service at our school and we congratulate them on this achievement. We have been reflecting on how we can share with others in need.

The prayer read by Cristian Sfantu and Lacey Jones during Harvest was as follows:

Dear God,

We thank you that we have enough to eat.

Help us to appreciate our food and to be thankful for what we have.

We remember all the people around the world who don't have enough food.

Help us not to forget all the people in the world who go hungry.

Help us to show compassion and care by thinking about how we can help others in need.

Amen.

**Harvest:**

Thank you for the generous donations that have arrived to school so far. We are accepting tinned, dried goods and toiletries until the **18<sup>th</sup> October** for the local charity Homestart. If you would still like to donate please send the goods in with your child.

**Free School Meal:**

Thank you to the parents who completed their free school meal applications, for their success they have received a £20 Morrison's. We have decided that this will continue as a permanent offer.

**School Meals:**

Can we please remind you that all meals are paid in advance and we cannot provide adhoc meals. If your child comes to school requesting a "one off" meal, we will contact you, to provide a packed lunch. Please note the kitchen have order food four weeks in advanced. There are rare times when the menu may have to be changed from the published one due to delivery issues. It is £11.50 for a week of school meals and this must be paid on a Monday. Thank you for your support on this.

**Laches Wood:**

Please can we remind you about our residential trip. We need a permission slip and £30 deposit to secure a place. We can offer a payment plan, for more information on this please contact the office, thank you. Unfortunately we may have to cancel if we do not have enough numbers.

**Old Uniform:**

Thank you for the donations of old uniform, we like to keep spares in school in case of accidents. You can donate your old uniform into the school office at any time.

**Absence:**

If your child is unwell and will not be attending school, please let us know. You can text the school on **07786208450** at any time or leave a message on our answering machine Tel: **568680**. If you do not contact us by **9.30am** at the latest you may receive a visit from the ATTEND team.

**Safeguarding and support:**

The welfare of our children is always our priority. If you ever feel you need to talk to anyone in school regarding safeguarding or any welfare issues we can help with, please ask to speak to Mrs Wheaver or Miss Middleton who are the Designated Safeguarding Leads, if they are not available please speak to Mrs Birchall who is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.