



Kimberley Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter – 19th October 2018



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you found Parents' Evening valuable and you got to see the great work that your child or children are doing at school. Thank you to all those parents who filled out a parent survey - we will use the results to continue to improve the provision that we offer at Kimberley. If you have not had a chance and would like to complete a survey, please contact your child's class teacher and they will send one home for you.

Attendance

Whole school attendance 96.9%

Target 96%

This week's winners are:

Reception and Key Stage 1: Dragons - 99%

Key stage 2: 99.5%

Well done!

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

Charlie M	Dragons
Sophie	Unicorns
Neve	Elves
Ollie	Phoenix
Kenzie	Griffins
Abbie	Centaur
Larah	Pegasus
Lavender	Headteacher



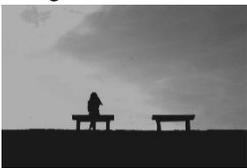
Happy Birthday to:

Poppy C, Chloe, Connor and Nella



Cleanest and tidiest classroom award of the week: Centaurs

Thought of the Week



Does one bad turn deserve another?

We've all had something happen to us at the hands of another that may not be kind. It may be someone who has cheated to get what they want, it could be that someone was nasty or hurt our feelings, it could be that we perceive their behaviour towards us as unkind or spiteful. Does that mean we should do the same back? This week we will be focusing on being kind, helpful and patient. We will be looking at the fact that sometimes, others display behaviour which isn't kind because of the way they feel about themselves or because of things that are happening in their life. We will be looking at strategies to use and ways of showing kindness and understanding and how we can support others around us even if they aren't displaying the nicest behaviour they can.

Halloween Disco



Tickets are selling fast for our Halloween disco. Just a reminder that they are being sold by Mr Reeve (our site manager) in a morning and after school on the playground and that there will be members of our Friends group selling them too.

Bottles



We are on the lookout for plastic bottles, small or large but preferably with the rounded, ridged bottoms like the coke bottles. Please could you send clean ones into school for a poppy project. Thank you.

School Photographs



Just a reminder that it is individual and sibling school photograph day on Tuesday 23rd October. If you would like a photograph taken of your child with their siblings who do not attend our school, please come to the hall from 8.30am, and these will be taken then. If your children are in school together, they will have this chance during the day.

Football Success



Last week, our Y5/6 football team played against Hollywell Primary School. Miss Bingham and Mrs Garner report that they played their match fairly, with determination and skill - it certainly paid off - they were rewarded for their efforts with a 7:0 win. Well done to the team.

Cross Country Competition



Our cross country team represented the school wonderfully at the competition at Hall Park Academy on Wednesday. We took 23 children and they all showed great determination in running a very tough course. Special mentions go to Mackenzie who came 6th in the Year 6 boys race and now goes on to compete at the county finals, Ewan who came 7th and is a reserve for the county finals and Alfie and Kenzie who both ran in the boys Y5 race despite the fact that they are only in Y4 and both achieved top 30 finishes. Also, a special thank you to Larah who represented the whole of our Y6 girls and Kaitlin who ran up a year to keep her company.



We were particularly proud to be awarded the 'Spirit of the Games' award. Several schools commented on how sporting and caring our children were because a few of the Y5 girls stopped in the middle of their race to help a runner from another school who had hurt herself. They supported her and walked to the race finish, making sure she was okay. This is truly what our school is about and we are so proud of our children for showing such a caring attitude, forfeiting their race places to help someone else.

Music Lessons



Letters are going out to KS2 children regarding the offer of music lessons. We have a new teacher who is excellent and is also able to offer piano sessions. The letter does not have this option on but, if you would like your child to have this chance, please fill in the reply slip and add piano to the instrument list.

Contributions to trips and visitors



During the year, we like to offer the chance for our children to visit a range of places which will inspire and deepen their learning as well as invite visitors into school. Although we try to keep costs down, these visits are often expensive and we do not have the budget to cover them. Costs are always divided between the exact number of children who they are offered to and best value transport is always sourced and we try to make them affordable by giving a significant amount of notice to enable payments to be made over a number of weeks.

More recently we've seen a drop in the contributions that are sent into school meaning that we've had to cover the shortfall. We cannot sustain this and as such, should a trip not have the contributions necessary, it will be cancelled.

As always, thank you for your support.
Kind Regards,

Lisa Turner-Rowe
Headteacher