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'We work as one to be the best that we can be'

### Harvest Festival

Year 6 led the school in the annual Harvest assembly. The children explained the history of harvest and how we should be thankful for the food we have to eat. We also discussed World Food Day and how we should work together to help put a stop to world hunger. We were joined by Matt Rowley from the Church Army, who also spoke of the importance of helping others and being thankful for what we have. After the assembly, we delivered all the items that had been donated to Vincent House - a charity which helps and supports the homeless in our local area.



### School Council Election Time!

Following a visit from local MP Mr. Paul Maynard, the School Council Elections 2019 officially began. Any child who wished to run for Class Councillor had the opportunity to write their manifesto (children in every class wrote their own manifesto - we were inundated with applications from children who wished to run for this important role in school!). When the children had decided on their 'key policies' and had set out what made them a perfect candidate and an 'Always' person, they presented their manifesto to the class.

After this process, which took determination, perseverance and a lot of bravery to stand up in front of their classmates, the school took to the polls. The votes were counted and verified and the results announced during a special assembly.

We are very proud of all our children who work hard to write their manifesto, to listen patiently to their peers as they presented their ideas and then took part in a democratic and fair election process. Well done to all those children who were voted for by their peers to be a Class Councillor in Boundary's School Council 2019/20.



## Spelling Bee



Congratulations to all of the children who participated in the Spelling Bee Competition. It takes a great deal of courage and confidence to stand up in front of the whole school; we are very proud of you all.

## The Book Bus

To celebrate our love of reading, Boundary enjoyed a visit from the Book Bus. Lots of children purchased a new book – happy reading!



## No Pens Day!

We held our 2<sup>nd</sup> whole school No Pens Day during the half-term. The aim of the day is to communicate with others and to work collaboratively on set tasks. The day was full of interesting conversations, which allowed the children to think more deeply about their learning.

**We're putting  
down our pens  
and picking up our  
language!**

## New Teachers!

Year 6 have planned and taught an R.E. lesson to Year 1 all about Baptism. By the end of the lesson, the children could describe what happens during a baptism service in church, name the special objects needed for a baptism and explain why it is an important ceremony for Christians.



## Year 6 Residential

What a brilliant few days the children and staff had together at PGL. From the moment they arrived to the moment they left, we were busy taking part in exciting activities. Throughout the stay we took part in : canoeing, climbing walls, buggy building, survivor, raft building, archery and Jacob's ladder. During these activities, the children showed many of our Boundary characteristics, e.g. resilience, perseverance, tolerance, bravery and many more. There was plenty of food to keep their strength up and lots of games with the leader Lewis in between activities. They all had a brilliant time and made memories for life.



## Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to the parents who supported coffee morning, to the children who decorated and sold biscuits and to the staff to baked and bought cakes. The school raised lots of money for this wonderful charity.



## Attendance

Congratulations to the 194 children who have received badges for 100% attendance this half term.

Current figures:

Reception - 93.9%, Year 1 96.1%, Year 2 95.2%, Year 3 96.9%, Year 4 97.1%, Year 5 97.5% and Year 6 96.5%

Overall: 96.99%

We have managed to keep on or above our 96% target so far this year. Please ensure that all children are dropped off and collected **ON TIME, EVERY DAY.**

Please remember that if your child is ill or has an appointment, you must provide the school with evidence.

**Holidays during term time will not be authorised and if taken, penalty notices will be issued.**

## Online Safety

**Stay safe online**  
Remember the 5 SMART rules when using the Internet and mobile phones.

- S SAFE:** Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information – such as your full name, email address, phone number, home address, photos or school name – to people you are chatting with online.
- M MEET:** Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present.
- A ACCEPTING:** Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!
- R RELIABLE:** Information you find on the internet may not be true, or someone online may be lying about who they are. Make sure you check information before you believe it.
- T TELL:** Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online.

Find out more at [Childnet's website ...](#)

## 'Dates for your Diary'



- 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> October - Y6 Bikeability
- 1<sup>st</sup> November - Individual and Siblings Photos
- 5<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Open Morning
- 15<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Christmas Fair
- 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Disco
- 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner
- 16<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol Service
- 17<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS/KS1 Nativity Plays
- 18<sup>th</sup> December - EYFS/KS1 Parties
- 19<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Parties
- 20<sup>th</sup> December – School Closes



### Parent Wellbeing Drop Ins:

- 6<sup>th</sup> November, 9.00-10.00am.-  
Depression support and workshop
- 4<sup>th</sup> December, 9.00-10.00am.- Coping  
with Change

### Church Visits

As part of our R.E. and understanding of the world lesson, Reception and Year 6 have both enjoyed a visit to the local church, St. Mark's, during this half-term.



### The Library

The children enjoy the peaceful times at the library and choosing a book they would like to take home.



### All About Owls!

Reception and Nursery have had a very exciting visit from Midge the owl! The children all listened carefully to the lady who looks after Midge. She told them lots of exciting facts about owls and some of the children were lucky enough to hold Midge. They had to wear a special glove and be very brave and gentle with the owls.



### Visitors in Year 2

Gemma from Little Zoo visited Y2 with Colin the Madagascan Cockroach, Michelle the African Land Snail and Zeus the American Corn Snake. She told the children lots of interesting information about these animals and taught them more about their habitats and how they have adapted to survive in the wild.



### Royal Shakespeare Company

As part of Y4's work with the RSC, they visited the Grand Theatre this half-term to watch the Merchant of Venice.



### School Office Reminders

#### Drop Off/Collection

A reminder that all children must be dropped off and collected from the relevant school gates. Children should not be dropped off/collected at the school office.

#### Arrangements

Any changes to home time collections must be called into the office no later than 3pm.

#### Zero Tolerance

We would like to remind all of our parents and careers that school is a zero tolerance zone. Inappropriate language, threats or acts of aggression towards staff will not be tolerated.



### Uniform Reminder

Please remember that all children must be in full school uniform – this includes school shoes which should be fully black. Always Badges must be worn! Thank you!

After a busy start to the new school year, we would like to wish you all a happy and a restful break.

We will see you back in school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

Keep safe, keep reading, keep learning!

