



15th October 2021 – Weekly Newsletter

Shoe Box Appeal

As part of the ongoing charity work of the school, we are once again supporting Blythswood Shoebox appeal. This project sends shoeboxes of gifts to children in some of the poorest places in the world. We have supported this project on a number of occasions, sending boxes and bringing joy to many disadvantaged children in different countries.

To support the project, students pack a shoebox (or drawstring bag) with gifts, wrap the box in Christmas wrapping paper and bring it into school. In the coming days, we will be sending out a leaflet with a list of acceptable items for the boxes. We would also be grateful for any spare empty shoe boxes that anyone may have so we can put together some shoe boxes in school. More details including deadlines will follow.

Punctuality

Children's attendance in school is extremely important to ensure that they get our full curriculum offer, and do not fall behind in their learning. Punctuality is also very important in school and I just wanted to highlight this a bit more. Across school, children begin their learning as soon as they enter the classroom in the morning. We call this carousel time and children will often have a focused task relating to a key skill. Children that are even just 10 minutes late will miss this learning opportunity. Children who arrive after 9.15 will either partly or full miss their phonics session. This is a key part of the day for learning to read and spell. With this in mind, I would urge all parents to make sure pupils arrive on time each day.

Congratulations to this week's achievers:

Awards for week ending 15-10-2021

	Kindness	Pupil of the week	Learner of the week
Class 1	Eliza Hall	Alila Nicholson	Bobby Latcham
Class 2	Iylah-Rose Aldworth	Danny'Junior Brannigan	Declan Lawton
Class 3	Joseph Abbott	Cody Simpson	Sophia Graham
Class 4	Archie McMaster	Rossi Harris	Nathan Tony
Class 5	Riley Howard	Elijah Oxley	Harry Chapman
Class 6	Leo Allen	Kasie Pearce	Connie-Leigh Dodds

Attendance

Classes attendance this week:

1 st Class 5	93%	2 nd Class 4	92%
3 rd Class 6	92%	4 th Class 1	92%
5 th Class 2	92%	6 th Class 3	84%

***** Whole School – 92% *****

Harvest Festival

This week we have had our Harvest festival in school. The children learnt about the importance of harvest time and being grateful for the people and processes involved in food production. Some of the children read prayers and we all sang some songs. It really was a lovely day and the children's behaviour was impeccable. To ensure that you don't miss out, we recorded the service and will be sending it out to you all soon via text message.

I should also take this opportunity to thank you again for your kind harvest donations. We have an unbelievable amount of food that will be donated to Woodhouse Food Bank.

Please ensure that children have sensible coats and shoes everyday.

Looking ahead

Friday 22nd October

- Halloween Disco
- Break up for half term

Tuesday 2nd November

- School re-opens for teaching