

Friday 19th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has passed by in the blink of an eye- and what a busy one it has been!

We thank you for your cooperation and understanding as school has battled with the cold snap. The heating in Year 1 has been addressed and we thank you for your support and patience whilst this was managed.

Stubbins

Primary School

I have enjoyed leading a Year 5 and 6 enrichment group over the last two weeks. We have looked at my favourite poem, "If" by Rudyard Kipling. You can watch it being performed by Michael Caine here: <u>If by Rudyard Kipling -</u><u>Read by Sir Michael Caine (youtube.com)</u>. We made links to our core value focus of Self Belief and talked about "failing". The year 6s in particular liked the idea of failing being a

First Attempt

In

Learning

On Friday, Mrs Wilson supported a group of budding masterminds take part in a national Online General Knowledge quiz. The children represented the school brilliantly and supported each other through some pretty intense rounds! Well done to Martha in Y3, Nelson in Y4, Tess in Y5 and Toby in Y6! We are entering another quiz in the summer term- so- watch this space!

As a school, we have just invested in a large amount of new reading books. These are linked to our new school phonic scheme. Please see overleaf for a message from Mrs Parrish about changes to our policy for reading and the research behind these decisions.

Next week, I am looking forward to launch of our new class assemblies! Parents of Year 5 are welcome to join us for a journey into the learning of Year 5 and back into class afterwards to get a further taste of what's being happening! I for one cannot wait! Please continue to watch the dates for your diary for when your child's class assembly will be.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Mrs Cromey



Awards- Self belief

Year R: Raena Loftus

Year 1:Ted Popland

Year 2: Evie Periam

Year 3:Caleb Smith

Year 4: Eve Wright

Year 5:Oscar Stafford

Year 6:Alice Shaw

Awards- Lunchtime VIP

Year R: Mason

Worthington

Year 1:Eden Watson

Year 2:Noah Hartigan

Year 3: Harry Oldfield

Year 4: Marisa Birks

Year 5: Layla Jones

Year 6: Archie Armstrong

Clubs this week-

Monday- Basketball Club

Tuesday- choir until 4.15pm

Tuesday KS1 computing to be held at lunchtime

Wednesday-KS1 UV dodgeball until 4.30pm

Thursday- KS2 UV dodgeball until 4.30pm

Thursday-Rock Steady Music morning sessions continue

Friday- Netball Club until 4.30pm

Sensory Circuits morning club- by invitation

Dates for your diary!

Tuesday 23rd January Transition Dodgeball @ Alder Grange

Wednesday 24th January- swimming for Y4 continues each week

Wednesday 24th January Y5/6 Basketball at Haslingden High

Wednesday 24th January PTA AGM 5pm

Thursday 25th January Y5 Class Assembly @9am

Tuesday 30th January Y3/4 GLOW dodgeball at Alder Grange

Thursday 1st February ROCKIDZ

Thursday 8th February SEN coffee afternoon- 2pm

Thursday 8th February Y4 River field trip- volunteers needed!

Friday 9th February- finish for half term

Your child will be given one reading book each week; in KS1, they will be encouraged to read this multiple times throughout the week. In Lower KS2, this will be the same if the books are shorter in length. We will then change ALL reading books the following week. The reason we are doing this, is that there is lots of evidence to show that when children re-read books, they will gain a greater understanding of what they are reading and improve their fluency and reading skills more quickly.

Classes will also visit the school library, where the children will be able to choose a library book that they can bring home to share. This is a book that you can share together with your child. In Reception and KS1, this may not be at their reading level so it is an opportunity for you to read out loud with your child and enjoy a book together.

A lot of parents often ask about books they should be sharing with their child. Next week, your child will be coming home with a list of 100 age appropriate texts; this is a great point of reference as a starting point for those of you who are unsure. If your child reads any of these books, please log these in their reading records.

Thank you for your support. Mrs Parrish

> Believe you can and you're half way there!

-Theodore Roosevelt