

Dear Parents/Carers

The second half of our Autumn term has started well and we can tell Autumn is definitely here by the colours of our trees and the number of leaves on the ground – this is always a busy time of year for our Premises Team and they appreciate the help some of our children have given at lunch times clearing leaves from playgrounds.

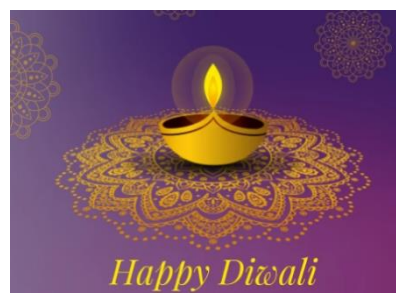
It is always a busy and an exciting time of year for our children with various 'special days' that take place. We send Diwali wishes to all those who celebrate and thank you to the PSA for organising the samosa sale and Bollywood dancing.

As a school, we will be recognising Remembrance Day and supporting the British Legion with the selling of poppy items – see further down this letter.

Thank you to all those parents who were able to attend the Parent/Teacher meetings. The partnership between home and school is important in relation to the children's education and development. If you were unable to attend, please contact the school office to arrange a meeting or phone call with your child's class teacher.



Thank you  
Iona Mock



## Diary Dates

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

INSET day – School Closed for pupils

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

End of Term

## End of Term Performances

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

2.00pm EYFS

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

2.00pm EYFS

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

2.00pm Year 4

6.00pm Year 2

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

2.00pm Year 2

6.00pm Year 4

## House Points for this month

<b>Beech</b>	<b>1834</b>
<b>Mulberry</b>	<b>1847</b>
<b>Sycamore</b>	<b>1418</b>
<b>Willow</b>	<b>1486</b>

**Well done to this month's winners!**

**Mulberry**

## Parking

Unfortunately, this is a regular item on our newsletters and it continues to be an issue around our school.

Please can we ask parents, when they are dropping off and collecting children, they are park safely and considerately. There are some cars parked on Holt Drive close or even on the crossing area which means there is not a clear view for our children and parents which is needed to ensure they can cross safely.



## Road Safety

The Toby Carvery kindly do allow parents to park in their car park for a short amount of time so please consider using this option.

If you are parking on the surrounding roads, please ensure you are not blocking residents' driveways or blocking pavements.

## Lost Property

We have a large number of items in our lost property box, especially black hoodies. We will put the box on the playground near the Green Belt entrance next week – please can you check if your child has lost something.

Can we ask that all items are named; when we find jumpers etc that are named we can return to the children.



## **Sporting Ambassadors ready to lead and support with promoting physical activity!**



The Year 6 Sporting Ambassadors have recently been learning about what makes a good leader, developing their presenting skills, making up their own games and teaching them to each other. All this has been in preparation for this half term when they will be supporting classes with their Mountfields Mile, running a lunchtime Games Club for Year 3 and reporting on sports news and presenting certificates in Achievement Assemblies. Mrs Newport has been very impressed so far not only with their leadership skills, but also with their high level of enthusiasm and passion for promoting PE and sport!

## **Year 5/6 Girls Football BEP League**



Our Year 5/6 Girls Football Team took part in the first BEP League fixture at Wreake Valley Academy. This is the first of two group competitions before Christmas to decide which league we will play in early next year. The pace of the games and changeover between games was fast and furious and the girls all adapted brilliantly to this new style of play.

They managed to win two games and draw 0-0 in their other two games, meaning that they are currently joint top of their group with two other schools (12 schools in total), all with 10 points. They are all looking forward to the second fixture which takes place on 27th November.

## **North Charnwood Shield Cross Country League**

Just before half term, 44 KS2 children competed in the first of three cross country leagues at Charnwood College. Undeterred by the clash with parents evening, parents, friends and family rallied to transport the children to compete – thank you so much for this!



Mountfields Lodge have won this event overall for the last 2 years and it was apparent that lots of schools are determined to reverse this trend by fielding very strong teams. Our children responded to this brilliantly, all running hard to finish in their best scoring position. It was lovely to witness the usual camaraderie and amazing team spirit that Mountfields children have, supporting each other wonderfully. Well done to everyone who competed!

## **Leicestershire Primary Schools Cross Country League 1– Mallory Park**

The weather was kind to the 28 children who competed at this event during half term and although the course was hilly and muddy and therefore challenging in parts, the children attacked the course with brilliant determination and achieved amazing results against schools from across the County. Pride of place goes to Vaila who came out top after a gutsy tussle with another competitor to win the Year 4 Girls race. Other top 20 placers: Aoife 11<sup>th</sup> and Edie 14<sup>th</sup> (Year 3 Girls) and Darcy (Year 6 Girls) all produced strong performances in very competitive races. Well done to everyone who took part! Cross Country is a tough sport and excellent resilience was on display from all our children. We look forward to a busy month of Cross Country with two more League races at Mallory Park on 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Year 5/6 Boys Football BEP League**

Our Year 5/6 boys Football Team took part in the first BEP League fixture at Wreake Valley Academy. This is the first of two group competitions before Christmas to decide which league we will play in early next year. The pace of the games and changeover between games was fast and furious and the boys all adapted brilliantly to this new style of play. They managed to win one game, drew one and the last game they lost. This was a very competitive league and the boys should all be proud of themselves. They are all looking forward to the second fixture.

### **Year 3/4 mixed football league.**

Our 3/4 took part in a football tournament at Charnwood College. This was the first time for some of our pupils to take part in a competition for the school. This was very competitive and everyone was fantastic. We played 6 other schools. Were every game was very close. We unfortunately came 3 in our group missing out on the next stage by 1 point. Everyone involved should be really proud of themselves.

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**POPPY APPEAL**



We will once again be supporting the British Legion Poppy Appeal with children able to make a donation for a red poppy (minimum 20p).

They will also be able to buy some of their merchandise of which we have limited amounts. Children will be able to buy one item only and it will be on a first come first served basis.

There will also be

The poppies merchandise will be available from

**Tuesday 5th November to**

**Friday 8th November**

Please can we ask that children have the correct  
money with them.

**Zip Pull £1.00**



**Reflectors 50p**



**Snap bands £1.50**

