



SEBERT WOOD

PARENT/CARER WEEKLY UPDATE

Respect, Resilience and Readiness

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed a lovely half-term break. We've had a great start to the term, with many Year 5 children learning how to ride safely on the estate with Bikeability. We have also had a week of special assemblies where our Wellbeing Champions have introduced themselves to children. We know they're going to do a great job supporting pupils across break and lunchtimes.!

We have much to look forward to in the coming weeks, including:

- Fit Friday on 18th November, beginning with Huff and Puff on the playground at the start of the day. We look forward to seeing many parents join us to watch or join in!
- Maths drop-in sessions after school on Thursday 1st December. All classrooms will demonstrate the current 'Mastery' approach to Maths which we use for teaching. It's very different to how parents will have learned at school—come and see what the children have been doing. You'll be able to learn which resources are used, look at children's work and find out our calculation methods.
- Our Christmas performances—see next page for details.

Mrs Taylor will sadly be leaving us at the end of the autumn term having worked at the school during the last 20 years. Mrs Taylor has been a fantastic teacher in Early Years and Key Stage 1 and many children, both past and present have thrived under her care. She is pursuing a new career as a family support practitioner and we wish her all the best for the future.

Mrs Taylor will be with Year 1 until the Christmas holidays. We are now beginning the recruitment process for her replacement to start in January and will of course keep you updated.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr James Tottie, Acting Headteacher and Mr Jamie Winch, Acting Deputy Headteacher

Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child—SHOE BOX APPEAL

You can collect your shoe box from the school office or Y5 & Y6 pupils from their teachers in UKS2.

Shoe boxes will be collected at Christ Church, Moreton Hall from the 14th-20th November or you can drop off at the school office, thank you.

There is a Shoe Box Family Service at Christ Church Moreton Hall on 10.30am, Sunday 6th November—come and find out how shoe boxes of gifts are changing children's lives around the world. A Crèche, tea, coffee and biscuits are available.



Pupil Achievement out of school

Huge congratulations to **Emily (Y5)** who, during October, completed the Cancer Research Skipping Challenge. She had to do 100 skips each day for the whole of October. After 3100 skips, she raised £200. Well done Emily, we are very proud of you!

A big well done to **Reya (Y5)** who is now the East Region Gymnastics Copper Champion 2022 following her participating in the East Regional Gymnastics competition. She won a gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze in different apparatus. This resulted in an overall gold medal and trophy. We are so proud of your amazing achievement Reya!



FOSWS Update

Thank you to everyone that donated cakes and Christmas jumpers for our event on the last day of term. There were some fantastic creations and jumpers. We raised a total of £247.92 collectively from the cakes, pre-loved uniform and Christmas jumpers. Thank you to everyone that attended, we appreciate your continued support to raise additional funding for the school. Next up is our Christmas Fayre on Friday 2nd December straight after school. We hope to see you there for some festive fun. Further details will follow soon.



As a reminder, all orders for the Christmas cards projects **MUST** be completed online before midnight on **11th November 2022**. After this date, unfortunately **no** orders will be accepted and the website 'shop' will be closed. This deadline must be strict because orders are sent to the company to print and allows the products to be returned before the beginning of December.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Mon 14th November	Y5 Trip to Gressenhall	
W/C 14th November	Anti-Bullying week	
Friday 18th November	Children in Need and Fitness Friday	
Wednesday 23rd November	Online Safety training for parents	5-6pm
Thursday 1st Dec	Maths Parent Drop-ins	3.45pm—5.00pm
Friday 2nd Dec	Christmas Fayre	
Wednesday 7th Dec	EYFS performance PM	2.00pm
Thursday 8th Dec	EYFS performance AM	10.00am
Monday 12th Dec	Year 2 performance PM	2.15pm
Tuesday 13th Dec	Year 2 performance AM	10.00am
	Year 1 performance PM	2.15pm
Wednesday 14th Dec	Year 1 performance AM	10.00am
	Year 3 & 4 Carols at Christchurch	2.00pm

Royal British Legion

Once again we are supporting the RBL Poppy Appeal. Year 6 children will visit each year group next week should your child wish to make a donation and receive a poppy.

Each class is battling against the other class in their year group in this week's competition. Good luck!

15:30 4th November 2022 - 08:00 9th November 2022

*** ANSWER AS MANY QUESTIONS AS POSSIBLE *
PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE * THE WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE
THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER PUPIL *
ASK YOUR TEACHER FOR FULL DETAILS AND RULES ***

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

YEAR GROUP WEEKLY UPDATES

Year 6 The children have returned rested and ready to learn after the half term break. This week, we have begun looking at fractions in maths: we have been really impressed with the prior knowledge they have retained from Year 5. In geography, the children enjoyed using map keys to answer questions about St Lucia. In computing, the children have been putting the finishing touches to their E-safety videos using iMovie, some with quite professional looking results!

On Wednesday, the children were tested on a random selection of all the spellings set over last half term; it was clear to see that many children have been working very hard practising these at home. New spellings have been given out which will be tested next week.

The children shared some fantastic pieces of home-learning this morning. A reminder that a piece is due in each Friday, with a minimum of 120 points to be earned by the end of term. Last half term, some children completed over 300 points worth of work!

Thank you to those of you who have paid the deposit and returned the reply slip for our Eaton Vale residential trip. Please make sure to return the reply slip even if your child is not planning to attend.

You should have also received a message about our upcoming visit to see 'School of Rock' in December. Please confirm you are happy for your child to attend on School Gateway as outlined in the aforementioned email.

We are still looking for contributions of brightly-coloured wool in order to complete an art project later this term. If you have any at home that could be sent in for this, we would greatly appreciate it, thank you.

As the weather continues to be unpredictable, please ensure your child brings a spare pair of footwear on Thursdays for outdoor PE to change into when trainers get muddy.

Enjoy your weekend.

The Year 6 Team

Year 5 We hope you had an enjoyable and restful half term. Y5 have had a great first week back at school taking part in Bikeability. They have coped with some challenging weather conditions, but we are proud of the way the children listened to the instructors and completed the tasks sensibly and safely.

Next week in history, we will begin our Victorians unit of work. We will start by finding out about the life of Queen Victoria. In art we will be learning to draw lamp posts to show perspective. In French we will be revising the vocabulary associated with items used at school. Indoor PE will continue with dance and outdoor PE will be rugby. As the weather is deteriorating, please ensure that your child has spare shoes in school on Wednesdays. Music lessons will continue next Thursday as usual, so please ensure that all instruments are in school. In Computing the children will be learning to use the program 'Scratch'. Our RE lessons on Christianity and the gospel will begin by considering good news. In English the children will be planning and writing their own version of the story 'Gorilla'. In Maths we will continue with our multiplication and division block of learning. Have a great weekend.

Y5 team

Year 4 Well, we've had a lovely start to this half term! On Tuesday the children did amazingly well at 'publishing' their version of part of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. We would like to invite you to come and look at your child's after school on Monday if you would like to. We have now started work on *The Iron Man* and the children have already collected many words in their 'experience day' to do with metal and have started 'sentence stacking' based on the text. We will continue with this next week. In maths, the children will use their knowledge of adding and subtracting to estimate. Fingers crossed that more children will pass their next Maths Badges on Monday! In art, the children are starting their new topic on Pointillism. If your child does not already have one in school, please could you send them in with an oversized t-shirt in a carrier bag that they could wear for painting in. In science, the children will be looking at types of skeletons that humans and animals have. Please make sure that your child always has a coat in school as the weather is going to be turning colder.

Have a safe weekend and we hope you enjoy the fireworks!

Year 4 Team

Year 3 The children have made a good start to this half-term and taken on board some changes we have made to the timetable.

Next week in Science, the children will be investigating magnets. In Art, the children will be sketching Egyptian hieroglyphics. In History, the children will look at Egyptian leisure time. In French, they will be learning the vocabulary for colours. In Computing, we will begin a new unit called Comic Creation.

We have set the first set of Maths home learning on Mathletics. Each child has a login stuck into their reading log books. They still need to submit a piece from the home learning menu each week. We have also given them a full list of last half-term's spellings to revise. They will have a test on Monday 7th with a selection from this list.

As the weather is colder now, please remember to send your child in with a coat. We do not have any spares.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the fireworks

The Year 3 Teaching Team.

Year 2 It has been lovely to see the children back and eager to learn after their half term break. They are really excited about our new topic 'The Great Fire of London.' We have played a game to teach the children about it this week. Lots of them want to play the game at home too so this is the link - [Game - The Great Fire of London](#). They have also enjoyed making firework pictures with the London skyline.

In English, we have thought about fireworks and being safe around them. We introduced the children to a new way of learning this week following our new English scheme. We will do more of this over the next few weeks. Please ask the children what 'chotting' and 'kind calling out' are.

In maths we have moved on to addition, we have thought about bonds to 10, 20 and 100. The children need to know these by the end of Year 2 so please work on these at home. Next week, we will look at simple addition adding tens and ones using sticks and bricks.

We hope you enjoy watching fireworks this weekend and the children remember how to stay safe.

Have a great weekend.

The Year 2 Teaching Team.

Year 1 We hope you had a good half term. The children have returned full of enthusiasm and we have been delighted at their readiness to learn.

In English this week we have read the story 'Room on the Broom' and discussed rhyming pairs, created our own descriptive sentences and ordered the story. In Maths we have been continuing thinking about number bonds to 10. We started a new history topic this week of 'Toys', the children loved telling us all about their favourite toys and next week we have Mrs Dade coming to talk to them about her favourite toys when she was growing up. In RE we are beginning a topic on Judaism, thinking about what it means to belong to a Jewish family. In PE we used streamers to help us create firework dances thinking about the movements we needed to do to create the right shapes. Have a good weekend.

The Year 1 Team

Reception This week we continued our Halloween theme. The children have enjoyed lots of pumpkin activities and it has been lovely to hear about what they got up to in the half term break. We have been impressed with how much phonic knowledge the children have remembered and are looking forward to learning more sounds. Please keep an eye on Tapestry for information sheets on the sounds we have learnt and videos to show how to say the sound and do the action.

Next week we are looking at firework night and Remembrance day. If you are going to a firework display over the weekend have a think about what senses you are using while you are there. Please do share any photos of the children at these events.

Unfortunately, due to change in weather and Christmas performance commitments we will not have Wellie Wednesday this half term. We hope to pick this up again in the new year. With the changing weather please send children in appropriate clothing and ensure that everything is named, including hats, scarves and gloves.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.
Reception Team.

Nursery Thank you so much for sharing all your half term fun on Tapestry.

We have had a great week focusing our activities around Halloween...we have enjoyed exploring pumpkins to help develop our strong finger muscles using the hammers to tap the golf tees into them to make a prickly hedgehog. We then had a great time using our hands and spoons to take out the seeds and pulp describing how it felt and what it looked like.

We have been making magic potions in our witches kitchen role play area, in tuff trays inside and outside using chick peas, green shell pasta for snails, noodles for worms, rice for maggots, flower petals, glitter for some added sparkle and lots of different coloured water. Finishing off adding cornflour into the pumpkins for extra magic. We made spells to turn us in to spiders, frogs and princesses! We even made a spell to turn Mrs. Dade into a bat and Mrs Dade was flying around Nursery!

Miss Howland has been in the kitchen this week helping make yummy Rice Krispie pumpkins. We hope you enjoyed them!

We have been retelling the story of 'Room on the Broom' adding the characters onto our own truly magnificent broom and pretending to be the characters from the story too.

We have made play dough spiders adding pipe cleaner legs and pumpkins adding google eyes! Next week we look forward to creating some firework pictures and celebrating Remembrance Day on Friday making poppies. If you see any fireworks at the weekend we look forward to hearing all about them.

Have a great weekend.
The Nursery Team