



# SEBERT WOOD PARENT/CARER WEEKLY UPDATE

## Respect, Resilience and Readiness



Dear Parents/Carers,

It was fantastic this morning to get the whole school together, in front of parents, for our Huff and Puff session. Having not been able to do this fully for several years, it was the first experience for many of our children (and staff!) Thank you to those of you who were able to come along, and to our legendary Mrs Harvey for leading it.

Please be aware that we are happy for parents to take photos at events like this but they must not be shared online. This is a safeguarding issue and to protect some of our children – thank you for your support with this.

This week we have been so impressed by the mature, confident and responsible approach that our Wellbeing Champions made by delivering anti-bullying week assemblies. They were: From Year 5; Lexi, Katie, Mia, Raffy, Holly and Izzie. From Year 6; Evie, Holly, Ashkan, Sophia, Emily and Charlie . Well done to all of you, you made us proud!

Next week we are pleased to be inviting parents into school for our Online Safety session. It can be hard to keep up with ever-changing apps and games and sometimes feels the children understand it more than we do. The session is designed to help children and families feel safe online and will run from 5pm until 6pm on Wednesday. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

The World Cup also begins next week. We are aware that we have some very keen football fans in school—we will be keeping classes updated with the result of next week's England match taking place during the school day! Although we are excited about this as a celebration of sport, it feels different this year due to human rights issues in Qatar. As a school we have a duty to promote diversity, equality, respect and tolerance. In assemblies next week Mr Winch will broach this difficult situation in an age-appropriate manner.

Finally, thank you for your donations to Children in Need today – we raised a spot-tacular £300!!

Have a great weekend, Mr James Tottie Acting Headteacher and Mr Jamie Winch, Acting Deputy Headteacher

### Great pictures of Huff 'n' Puff, Children In Need & our anti-bullying assemblies



We are extremely proud of our two recent winners of the Good Citizen Award...



Charlie B (Class 14) for showing such kindness when he was selling poppies last week and brought in his own money to share and pay for a poppy for those children who didn't have money with them to buy one—this is amazing, well done Charlie!

Iyla-Rose G (Class 8) for being so supportive of her friends during the flu immunisations this week. Even though Iyla was a little nervous herself, she didn't hesitate to reassure and support her peers as they had theirs done. This is wonderful to hear Iyla-Rose, well done!

### Christmas Performance Tickets!

This week you will have received an email and a letter home with your child regarding Christmas Performances. Please ensure you complete and return your slip, or email the office at [admin@sebertwood.co.uk](mailto:admin@sebertwood.co.uk) with your ticket request no later than this Monday 21st November, thank you.

Christmas Hampers—Donations can be anything from non-perishable food, drinks, candles, toiletries, to name but a few and given to your child's class teachers **by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November** please.

Thank you so much for your support. Each year group have their own colours for the hampers, which are:

Early Years (Nursery & Reception) - Gold and Silver

Year 1 - Green and Gold

Year 2 - Blue and Silver

Year 3 - Purple and Black

Year 4 - Black and Gold

Year 5 - Red and Green

Year 6 - Red and Gold

**Santa's Grotto tickets will be on sale next Wednesday (23rd) Thursday (24th) outside the school office—before and after school at £1.50 each.**

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Wed 23rd & Thurs 24th November	Santa's Grotto tickets on sale (outside front office) Before & after school	
Wed 23rd November	Online Safety training for parents	5-6pm
Wed 30th November	Final day for Hamper donations & raffle ticket returns	
Thurs 1st December	Year 2 Pantomime trip	
Thurs 1st December	Maths Parent Workshop	3.45pm-5.00pm
Fri 2nd December	Christmas Fayre Christmas clothing day, non-uniform	3.30pm-6.30pm
Tues 6th December	Year 6 School of Rock visit KEGS	
Wed 7th December	Reception 'Whoops a Daisy Angel'	2.00pm
Thurs 8th December	Reception 'Whoops a Daisy Angel'	10.00am
Mon 12th December	Year 2 'An Empty Stable'	2.15pm
Tues 13th December	Year 2 'An Empty Stable'	10.00am
	Year 1 'Wriggly Nativity'	2.15pm
Wed 14th December	Year 1 'Wriggly Nativity'	10.00am
	Year 3 & 4 Carols—Christchurch Moreton Hall	2.00pm
Fri 16th December	Christmas Jumper/hat & Christmas Lunch day Last day of term	



We were excited to receive a wonderful selection of  
Usborne Books very kindly donated by Taylor Wimpey

—thank you so much!

These will be enjoyed by all the children



We currently have vacancies for a TA, MDSA and Extended Schools Assistants. Please visit our website at [www.sebertwoodschoo.co.uk](http://www.sebertwoodschoo.co.uk) staff vacancies page for full details if you are interested in applying, thank you.

## YEAR GROUP WEEKLY UPDATES

**Year 6** The children really enjoyed taking part in Fit Friday activities today: we joined the rest of the school for 'Huff and Puff' on the playground first thing this morning as well as completing some orienteering activities. Thank you for your kind donations for Children In Need.

As part of our PSHE lesson this week we have talked about anti-bullying and the importance of being kind and thoughtful to one another.

In Maths this week, we have finished looking at addition and subtraction with fractions, before moving on to multiplication. In science, the children have been investigating the impact on components of a circuit when you change the input voltage. In geography, we have been further utilising our map work skills with a focus on North America. Computing this week saw the children create their own Ski Slalom game on scratch which the children enjoyed playing once they had finished programming.

Our hamper colours are red and gold this year. Any donations are greatly appreciated, thank you.

Have a great weekend,

Year 6 Team

**Year 5** We had a fantastic day at Gressenhall on Monday! The staff there commented on the good behaviour of the children and the interesting questions they asked. The children enjoyed solving a murder, having a lesson in a Victorian classroom and visiting a workhouse, kitchen and laundry. The experiences of the day will feed into our history lessons for the rest of the term. This week the children have also learnt to use water colours effectively. We have started a new text in our English lessons for The Write Stuff.

Everyone enjoyed Huff 'n' Puff this morning and the Fit Friday orienteering activities in the woods, thank you for your kind donations for Children In Need. We have discussed anti-bullying issues and being kind and thoughtful to one another as part of our PSHE lessons with the children this week.

Next week we will learn about the British Empire in history. In art the children will recreate a painting by JMW Turner. We will begin our maths unit on fractions. Our RE lesson will be a drama lesson re-enacting one of the Bible stories looked up last week.

Y5's hamper colours are red and green this year. Please send in donations with your child. Thank you. If your child is having a 'catch-up' photo taken on Wednesday, please could they come to school in their school uniform and bring PE kit to change into. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend,

Year 5 Team

**Year 4** Another busy week has flown by in Year 4. In our PSHE lesson this week we discussed anti-bullying with the children and about being kind and thoughtful to one another.

Thank you so much for your donations for Children In Need, the children all enjoyed their Huff 'n' Puff and orienteering Fit Friday activities in the woods today.

Next week in English, the children will be planning their own chapter of the Iron Man which will incorporate all the things they have learnt over the past two weeks. Please note there are no spellings for next Thursday (24.11.22), instead we will be giving the children a spelling test which will come from the words they have been learning for the past six weeks. Please re-revisit and practise these, so the children are prepared for their test. (Please see the letter in your child's book bag for further details.) In Maths, the children will be learning how to calculate areas and will continue with multiplication and division. In Geography, we have been busy learning about Italy. Next week we will be researching Italy's volcanoes, in particular Mount Etna which is one of the most active volcanoes in the world. In Science, the children will be learning about the digestive system. In art the children will continue to explore pointillism (so art shirts really are needed). It is cold outside now so please ensure your child comes to school every day with a warm coat. If they are unable to take part in swimming or PE due to illness or injury, please make sure you tell an adult that morning.

Have a great weekend, Year 4 Team

**Year 3** As it is anti-bullying week, the children have spent some time learning about how to deal with certain situations. We have talked about issues which may arise and they have used role-play to understand their feelings as well as being kind and thoughtful to one another.

The children had a great time today for Children In Need and enjoyed Huff 'n' Puff and Fit Friday activities outside on the field. Thank you for your kind donations.

Next week in Geography, the children will learn about the stages of the River Nile from source to mouth. In French, they will learn the vocabulary for classroom instructions. In Science, the children will investigate the strength of different magnets.

We will send out the words which the children need to learn for the Carol Concert next week.

Have a great weekend.

The Year 3 Teaching Team

**Year 2** This week in Year 2 we have started to practice for our Christmas Play. The children have coped well with this. Please do practice their words and song lyrics as much as you can at home, thank you.

We have discussed being thoughtful and kind to another as part of anti-bullying week topics this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed Huff 'n' Puff this morning and their activities on the field for Fit Friday. Thank you so much for your kind donations for Children In Need.

In Maths we have been adding tens and ones to numbers, using sticks and bricks. Maybe you could ask the children how we work this out. Next week we will be moving onto subtraction and will use sticks and bricks to do this as well. In English we have continued to look at the Write Stuff. This week we have focussed on conjunctions (because) and rhyming words. The children have really enjoyed this and particularly enjoyed making a class poem about our star qualities. Next week we will look at questions and using commas in our writing. In our topic lessons this week we have completed History where we looked at the differences between Tudor houses and the houses we live in today. The children have then made model houses and recreated Pudding Lane from The Great Fire of London. Next week, we will make a Great Fire of London map. In Science we have been thinking about properties of materials and how these change e.g. *bend, stretch and twist*.

Please note that some children may be bringing 2 books home with them now – a Phonics book to support their in class Phonics work and another, a reading for pleasure book, this is to practice comprehension and more complex reading skills.

Have a lovely weekend, Year 2 Team

**Year 1** As well as our usual lessons, we have had a busy week rehearsing our play. We will be sending letters home to a few children about any small items of costumes that we need. Look out for letters in book bags shortly. Thank you for your support.

In English this week we have thought about 'Pets', thinking about which pet we would like and why. Next week we will base our English around stories in the 'Hairy Maclary' series. We will be using adjectives to describe the characters and identifying the rhyming words. In Maths this week we have continued our work on subtraction by crossing out and next week we will be subtracting using a number line. In Science we have been on an Autumn walk and loved seeing all of the signs of Autumn that there were around the school. We wore our odd socks on Monday to show that everybody is different and in our PSHE lesson on Wednesday we had a circle time to celebrate those differences before designing our own odd socks.

We all had great fun on Children in Need Day, enjoying Fit Friday on the playground and then completing a whole school art activity based around the World Cup. Thank you all for your donations.

Thank you to everyone who has already sent in contributions for the FOSWS Year 1 hamper. We will continue to receive these at drop off and welcome any additional green and gold items.

Can we please remind you to send your child in with a water bottle every day (no juice please) and suitable outdoor clothing.

Have a lovely weekend!

The Year 1 Team

**Reception** This week we thought about all the ways we can be kind to each other and how we can help others when they look sad or worried. The children have demonstrated this by sharing, taking turns and being helpful tidying up the classrooms. On Children in Need day we talked about how donated money can help children who don't have all the nice things we do.

Next week we are focussing on birthdays and how we celebrate them, before talking about how Christians celebrate Jesus' birthday. The children have started to learn songs ready for our Nativity based performance in December.

Have a lovely weekend

The Reception Team

**Nursery** We are so proud of how kind, caring and thoughtful the children have been this week. We have been singing a special kindness song to send to everyone to bring a smile to your face. Do look out for it on tapestry!

Everyone has enjoyed taking part in creating a big handprint rainbow with all our handprints to show how well we work as a team. Together we are amazing!

We have made a kindness tree in our book corner to hang hearts on with kindness messages.

We can't wait for you to see it at parent sharing on Wednesday 23rd November.

We have finished our week with lots of children in need fun activities. We have been painting spotty Pudsey pictures, making Pudsey hats, yellow Pudsey play dough, playing in yellow water, dancing to a special Pudsey song and a treasure hunt for different colour Pudsey spots in the garden.

Next week we will be focussing on lots of activities to strengthen our finger muscles and scissoring cutting skills. We will be celebrating Thanksgiving. If you are celebrating

Thanksgiving we would love to share your photos on tapestry.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend

The Nursery Team