

Sebert Wood Primary School

Parent/Carer Update



Friday 8th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

You will have noticed our new school gates are in place, which makes our school more secure and our pupils safer. This has however led to an increase in cars parked on the school driveway. On one occasion disabled carers were unable to access the disabled space due to six cars blocking the driveway. On Tuesday afternoons the swimming coach needs to drop off pupils at the end of the day too. Please park respectfully in the local roads or use the Community Centre car park which is within a short walking distance of the school. The pedestrian gate will be unlocked before school and from 3:15pm until 6.00pm. Visitors or parents collecting their child outside of these times should use the intercom to gain access.

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week. Rather than paying lip service to this, we have undertaken a bullying survey from years two to six, and are launching an Anti-Bullying Ambassador programme. Pupils in Key Stage Two classes have each voted for a representative who will receive training to support those who feel bullied. The ambassadors will also work as a group to prevent bullying across the school using their own ideas, and will help school leaders to write a new anti-bullying policy. We are pleased to be able to offer leadership opportunities like this to our pupils, and know that giving them a voice in this way leads to improved mental health outcomes.

Last half-term we held an election for a new parent governor; our congratulations to Mrs Jessica Collins who was appointed through the parent vote. We thank all candidates who stood and the parents who took part in the election process.

Have a great weekend,

Mr James Tottie and Mr Jamie Winch

Fit Friday

It's a busy day next Friday – Children in Need, Fit Friday and our FOSWS discos!

All children should come to school in their PE kits to take part in our Fit Friday event. This will be based around the Daily Mile, where children complete laps of our playground or field. We will be adopting the Daily Mile going forwards in order to get pupils more active and provide a brain-break. More information is available [here](#).

As Year 1 and 2 pupils have their disco straight after school, they can bring a change of clothes for the end of the day.

Class teachers will be collecting donations for Children in Need – please give if you can.

Remembrance

This week pupils across the school created and coloured their own poppies for a display in the library, coordinated by Mrs Howell. Children have been interested to see where Armistice Day is marked. We will hold two minutes silence on Monday.



Good Citizens



Mr Tottie recognised two Good Citizens this week, both from Year 5. Our midday supervisors nominated Isabelle for 'being really sweet and helpful with younger children at lunch times, especially some of those that need some support at this time.'

Ruby has been eco-minded and has been out clearing rubbish in her local area. Well done to both girls, we're proud of you!

Outside of School

Hughie (Year 5) was mascot for the Ipswich v Everton game last month. He got to meet all his favourite players and walked out onto the pitch with Leif Davis. Hughie's still waiting for Ipswich's first win of the season- we are all hopeful that will be at the Tottenham Stadium this Sunday.

Carter (Year 4) passed his karate grading to yellow belt. He is pictured with his teacher Mr Cadeddu. Well done!

Effy (Year 2) and Bethany (Year 6) performed at Disneyland Paris on Saturday November 2nd in a group of 50 children. They performed a number of songs with dance movements. It was a huge achievement and commitment to learn the materials prior to the trip, to then perform at Disney with such passion and dedication. They return with a new sense of confidence!

