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5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Thank you to everyone who attended our Welcome Mass. It was a lovely way to welcome our Reception children and the new members of our GIFT Chaplaincy Team. Our next celebration will be our Harvest Service on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 2.50pm.

Every year for Harvest we ask families to make donations towards the foodbank run by the Lalley Centre. Donations of dried food, for example rice and pasta or tins, for example beans, soup, vegetables or kitchen roll can be brought in from Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October. After the Mass some of our GIFT team will take the donations to the Lalley Centre. Thank you for your generous donations.

### Word of the week

This year one of our school development priorities is to develop children's use of language. Each class will have a word of the week and we will also be including a new word in each newsletter. The first newsletter word is 'universal' linked to the United Nations Rights of the Child. Anyone who can write a definition for the word, **universal**, write the word in an interesting sentence and bring it into school by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October will be entered into a small prize draw.

### Health and Safety

For health and safety reasons please can you make sure that children are not using the astroturf and trim trail after school. Both areas are for the use of pupils during supervised time only. Thank you for your support.

Please may also remind parents that dogs should not be brought onto the school premises when collecting children – thank you. There may be children in school who are frightened or unsure around dogs.



### Parents Forum

Thank you to the parents who attended the first parent's forum of this year. The notes from the meeting will be on the school website next week. We had a good meeting and there was enthusiasm for supporting our school Christmas Fair which we will have after school on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

We will be arranging a PTA meeting in school, date to be confirmed, to which all parents are invited. At the meeting we will discuss fair plans and other fundraising ideas. For the fair we will be asking for donations of good condition toys and books, so if you are having a tidy up at home, please hold on to donations until closer to the fair.

### Sports News

Congratulations to Evie and Hugo who have both qualified for the Manchester Cross Country Finals.

Our girls football team played well last week, winning one game, drawing one and losing one. They were really pleased to be wearing our new kit which we received from the Premier League. Our Year 4 boys will be playing in their first football competition next week.



## Sight Tests

Last week was national eye health week and we have been asked to promote taking children for regular eye tests through the 'See More, Learn More, Go Further' campaign. It is estimated that more than one in 10 children, in every classroom, have an undiagnosed common sight problem which affects their ability to learn and socialise with their classmates and that a quarter of school age children haven't ever been taken for a sight test. Children don't have a full sight test at Primary school and all children under 16 are entitled to an NHS funded sight test and vouchers towards the cost of glasses. If your child hasn't ever had a sight test, now might be the time to take them for an eye test.

## Awards

Congratulations to all the children who received awards in assembly for the last two weeks – well done.

Luke	Dayton		All of Nursery	
Harry	India		Denzel Dag	Isabella
Charley	Dylan		Olivia	Zach
Olivia W	Matilda		Sonny	Ethan A
Phil	Ava-Rose		Faye	Anthony
Lucas	Amy		Kian	Shiloh
Jayden	Danielle		Megan	Hugo
Mairead	Faye		Grace	Kaiden
Luke	Lily		Jermaine	Nadia

## Attendance

Attendance for the last two weeks:

Week ending 21<sup>st</sup> September 97.6%

Winning Class Year 4 99.3%

Well done to Year 4 and Year 2.

Week ending 28<sup>th</sup> September 97.2%

Winning class Year 2 99.7%

## Dates for this term

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

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Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2.50pm

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 4pm-6.30pm

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2.45pm

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 3.30pm

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December

School photographs

Fire Service Visit to Year 6

Harvest Service

last day before half term

first day back after half term

Flu Vaccinations

Year 6 visit to Imperial War Museum

CHAMP height and weight measurement

Parents meetings

Parents Forum meeting

School Christmas Fair

School closed for pupils, teacher training day

KS1 and KS2 Christmas Performance

Early Years Christmas Performance

School closes for Christmas break

Next newsletter Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018



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