

Weekly News - Foundation & Key Stage 1

10 November 2017

We have had another busy week here at LGPS! It has been lovely to see so many parents and guardians visiting for Parents Evening. If you were unable to make an appointment please speak to your child's class teacher to agree a mutually convenient time to come in and discuss your child's progress.

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week. I don't believe any school can ever say that it is free from bullying. What I can say about LGPS is that children feel safe and if they are experiencing any problems or difficulties they know that they can inform a trusted adult and that this will be swiftly acted on and dealt with.

Next week we will be celebrating the fact that 'we are all different and all equal'. We would like to invite your child to **wear odd socks on Monday** to launch the start of this very important initiative.



Children In Need

Next Friday, 17 November, marks Children in Need Day. I hope your child can join us for the day in their pyjamas/spotty clothes and are asking for a suggested donation of 50p for the charity. We will be opening up the school from 2.00 pm so that parents and guardians can come into school and work alongside their child. **Important note to Parents Guardians: you can wear your PJ's too if you like!**

You will be able to confirm your attendance at this open afternoon via the school app which will go live on Monday lunchtime.

Operation Christmas Child

Once again the school will be participating to enable less fortunate children to receive gifts at Christmas.



The school will be putting together their own boxes and individual donations for these will be very much appreciated. Completed Shoe boxes should be handed into your child's teacher by Monday 20 November. Please observe the guidelines for gifts and donations.

Andrea Nuttall
Headteacher

Attendance

Group	Pre-sents	AEA	Author-ised Ab-sences	Unau-therised Absenc-es	% Attend
RAPPL	224	0	8	0	96.6
PEARS	224	0	16	0	93.3
1YEW1	245	0	3	0	98.8
1YEW2	228	0	20	0	91.9
2ASH1	240	0	8	0	96.8
2ASH2	228	0	4	0	98.3
Totals	3427	0	119	14	96.3

Whole school attendance since September 2017 is 96.4%

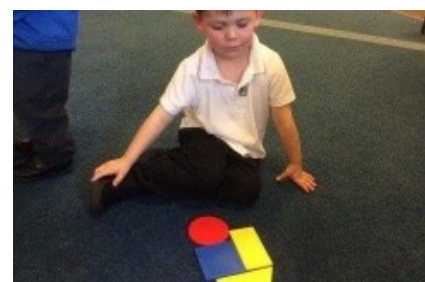
The cumulative school target is 97.0%

Acorns

This week we have been learning about 2D shapes and have enjoyed being 'shape detectives' to look for circles, squares, rectangles and triangles in Nursery.



Lots of children enjoyed using the shapes to make rockets.



We have taken photographs of these and added them to Tapestry. We have talked quite a lot about the shapes of everyday items and the children are able to say that a clock is 'round like a circle' and that a door is the same as a rectangle.

Reception Unit

This week in Apples and Pears the children having been thinking of people that help us in the community and we have focused on the ambulance. The children have been playing doctors and nurses inside and have also been making their own ambulances outside using the tyres and crates and taking the patients to hospital.



In maths the children have been learning about capacity and were really good at describing how much the containers hold.



Yew Unit

Yew Unit enjoyed a visit by the Museum this week. We explored toys from the Tudor Era, the Victorian Era and toys from within living memory.



We had a chance to play with each group of toys.



Ash Unit

This week we have remembered, remembered the 5 of November! We have been reading and reciting firework poems. Some children were very brave and read the poems to the rest of the class and some children added actions to the poem they read. We have also written our poems which were inspired by bonfire night.



Also this week we had to be very sensible and resist temptation as we observed different types of chocolate and noted their similarities and differences. The smell was amazing and although we didn't get to taste them the children enjoyed using their other senses of touch, sight and smell.



Congratulations to This Week's Gold Book Award Winners For Always Trying Your Best

Apples:	Rosie	Pears:	Oscar
Yew 1:	Bella	Yew 2:	Faye
Ash 1:	Charlotte	Ash 2:	Alfie

Mathematician of the Week:	Caitlin (Oak 2)
Kindness Cup:	Olivia (Fir 1)
Attendance Ted:	Yew 1

Writer of the Week:	Jaydon (Apples)
Sport Award:	Emily (Elm 2)

All photographs are on the school website