#### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019

# News etter



# **Head**line

As you know, as part of our PSHE work and behaviour policy we focus each term on a whole school value. These values are as follows :

- Term 1 Responsibility
- Term 2 Respect and ► Recognition
- Term 3 Enthusiasm
- Term 4 Resilience and Optimism
- Term 5 Cooperation
- Term 6 Trust

Following a 'launch' assembly at the start of each term, the children and staff are challenged to do the best they possibly can to commit to and demonstrate that value in their school life. Towards the end of each term staff nominate pupils who they think deserves a 'Special Mention' or to be awared the Head Teacher award for the term. Here are last term's Special Mentions and the overall award winner:

Harvey Year 1 is always happy to take part in any learning activity, even when it is a bit tricky he will approach it with a smile and give it everything he's got. Even when he finds it a challenge and things goes wrong, he keeps on giving all of his efforts enthusiastically and persevering with the biggest grin.

Zayn Year 2 puts his whole heart into everything he does. Whatever the task, no matter how big or small, he always gives it 100% and shares some fantastic and passionate ideas. Zayn's enthusiasm is contagious! His constant sparks of energy and excitement ignite others in our class to tackle problems with the same positive and animated attitude.He is an energy giver, with the biggest smile. He always encourages others and is not discouraged by failure.

Kyle Year 3 starts every day and every lesson with a 'can do' attitude. He is

determined to make progress in all areas of learning and will try all activities with enthusiasm. He is desperate for a pen licence and works hard on his handwriting to try to achieve this. His behaviours for learning are conducive to good progress and this enthusiasm will ensure he succeeds in everything he does.

Isaac R Year 4 has shown a huge improvement in his work ethic and is now more motivated and driven to complete his work. He responds to challenges in a positive and enthusiastic manner and is willing to help other children with their work. He is changing his book regularly and talking about his book and overall has made really good positive progress.

Rares Year 5 is always enthusiastic about his learning, but particularly in English and swimming. This has involved going the extra mile by staying in at lunchtime to compete with Caitlin over who could produce the most post-it notes about our story 'The Indian in the Cupboard'. In swimming, he has progressed from the beginner group to the most advanced in just one term by listening and practising outside of school on a Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. Excellent progress - well done!

This term's winnder of the Head Teacher award goes to Lucy H (Year 4) Lucy is consistently enthusiastic about her learning. Lucy is always keen to learn and improve work her work. Lucy has grown to be more resilient this year and is always enthusiastic to improve her work. Furthermore, Lucy is not afraid to try out new things and will often ask questions on how she can make things better with a positive mind set. Lucy is consistently a role model and is always keen to help other children do the right thing. Lucy has a kind, polite and caring nature and has been recognised by teachers for her enthusiasm and her improvement with resilience.

### **Key Dates**

15<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose day - Pay £1 to wear red

#### Term 4

Tuesday 26th February until Friday 5th April Term 5 Tuesday 23rd April until Friday 24th May Term 6 Tuesday 4th June until

Tuesday 23rd July

## Uniform

A navy blue jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan for Years 1 - 6. Royal blue for FS1 and FS2 (Nursery and reception) . Navy, black or grey trousers, tailored shorts, skirt or dress/navy and white checked dress. A white or blue polo shirt, shirt or blouse. Flat plain black shoes or trainers (no heels or open toes). Uniform can be ordered from www.myclothing.com

# Key Staff

Mrs Mason Headteacher Mrs Price Deputy Head FS & KS1 Mr Presneill Deputy Head KS2 Mrs White Chair of Governors

Mrs Prentice SENCO Mrs Lewis FS Leader Mrs Price Y1 Leader Mrs Byrne Y2 Leader Mrs Marie LKS2 Leader Mr MacDonald UKS2 Leader

Mrs Liddle Family Liason Officer 07535 696125

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, achieving equal opportunities and combating discrimination.

We operate a very clear whistleblowing policy for staff.

# NewsNationalScienceWeekWe are excited to announce that wewill soon be taking part in the PrimaryEngineerLeadersAwardsNational Science week 11-15<sup>th</sup> March

The competition will be challenging pupils to research engineering, interview inspiring engineers and answer the question "If you were an engineer - what would you do?" This is a fantastic opportunity to engage our pupils with real engineers who will convey the importance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) in their daily lives. Pupils will be able to let their creativity run free and draw and write about how they interpret the question and come up with inventions and ideas.

# E-Safety, 'Momo' and Safe Internet use

You may have seen some reporting about 'Momo' in the news this week. We have received advice from Medway Safeguarding to reassure parents that there has been very little factual evidence relating to actual incidents linked to 'Momo' and that media 'hype' may well have added to feelings of anxiety and concern amongst parents and children.

Just a reminder, the best way to help your child stay safe on line is to remind them of basic internet rules that they have been and will continue to be taught :

**Content** : are the things that you are doing on the internet appropriate?

**Conduct**: are you behaving in the right way on the internet?

**Contact**: do you know who you are talking to on the internet?

As you know, as parents, please ensure that your child does not access the internet without you knowing exactly what they are accessing and doing on line. Stay nearby and monitor their activity.

We have recently signed up to a new E-Safety training provider – watch this space for more information...



Year 7 Appeals process Are you unsure about the appeals process? If you would like a place at an information meeting at Chatham Grammar school for girls, for Year 6 parents please contact Claire Banner on 01634 583549.

#### Year 3/4 residential trip

Please see letter sent home with this newsletter.

#### Reminders Bottles

School policy is that children may only bring water in their bottles for daily use, not juice or squash.

Pat The Back On 3/4B - Jasmine for her observation skills in art and Ahnyah for her fantastic questioning in Geography 3/4F - Arshpreet and Kushalta for their hard work and concentration in art 3/4M - Thea and Esteban for loud and clear voices during class assembly 3/4P - Poppie for trying hard in topic and for her Picasso portrait and Sienna for consistently trying her best and always wanting to make her work better 5H - Casey for her outstanding poster created for multicultural week and Matthew for demonstrating the values of collaboration and resilience during the STEM workshop lego house 5/6S - Karolina & Harry - for their teamwork 'building a lego house' and Tomasz for improvement in his handwriting

6T - Josh for the effort he has put in to catching up with missed maths work resulting in very pleasing results. Charlotte for the increase in writing stamina shown recently in all her learning

#### Coming home.....

The Westbrook Trust

• Year 3/4 residential trip