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27th September 2019 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been another eventful week for all of the right reasons... Year 2 have had a wonderful visit to Kirkley Hall Zoo despite seeing a flash flood! Year 6 had a productive transition visit on Tuesday to Consett Academy and awe have had NSPCC delivering workshops to our children in Year 5 and 6. For all of our other classes it has been business as usual. It has been wonderful to see all of our new Nursery children and those new to other classes settling in to life at The Grove.

Please remember that it is Den Building Week next week (your child will have received a letter) so they will need to bring their spare clothing on their Den Building Day.

<u>Those children signed up for Thursday lunch time football club will need outdoor clothes and trainers (no studs please).</u>

I hope that all of our families have a fantastic weekend.

Bernadette

Attendance		
	Class	%
1 st Place	Year 6	100%
2 nd Place	Year 3	99.2%
3 rd Place	Year 2	98.8%
4 th Place	Year 5	97.4%
5 th Place	Year 4	94.5%
6 th Place	Year 1	93.6%
7 th Place	Reception	90.4%

Well done to Year 6!

Our target for each class is 96%

Please remember if your child is absent for any reason, that you must contact the school office as soon as possible. If your child is not in school, they cannot learn.

Mathletics

As of next week, we will not be using Mathletics as a homework tool. This decision did not come lightly but the amount of pupils accessing Mathletics does not justify the cost so we are looking into other technical resources to supplement our Maths curriculum.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy on our Governing Body for a Parent Governor.

School Governors make a positive contribution to children's education by offering supportive challenge to help raise standards and monitor resources effectively. School Governors work as a team and come from a wide variety of backgrounds to add value to school life by offering their skills, expertise and time.

We are looking for dedicated individuals who can offer their knowledge and expertise in one or more of these areas; finance, human resources, health and safety, communications or managing premises.

If you have a passion for improving the life chances of children and can offer supportive challenge to the leadership of our school to help us to fulfil our vision, please complete and return an application form.

A discussion with the Head teacher and/or Chair of Governors would be offered to any interested parent.

Closing date for nominations is 3pm on Friday 18th October 2019.