

Newsletter – Friday, 25 October 2019

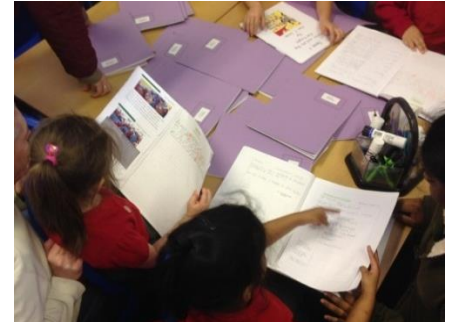
Dear Parents / Carers,

There is much to celebrate as we come to the end of term 1. Here at Ashton Vale we are 'opening a world of opportunities' for the children. Thank you for your continued support. Have a great half term everybody and remember we return to school on **Tuesday 5th November**.

Celebration Events



It was brilliant to see the children presenting their learning to you this week at our end of term celebration event. The children were using their oracy skills to explain what they have been learning about and answer questions. You could see that they had taken pride in their work: well done to all the children and thank you for coming along and supporting this event.



Viking Visitors in Year 4



Falcon Class enjoyed a day of drama and learning about how the Vikings used to live. They learned by investigating artefacts and re-enacting events. It was a very 'hands-on' and memorable experience for the children.



Park and Stride



This week we re-launched our WOW walk to school initiative. All children are encouraged to walk, scoot, cycle or to 'Park and Stride' to school. The aim is to encourage health and fitness, reduce pollution and ease congestion on roads close to the school. Each month children are given reward badges for walking/park and striding to school. There are several badges to collect. This is an important part of our campaign to promote good health and safety.

Halloween PTA Disco



Thank you to the PTA and Nick for a great Halloween disco yesterday evening. The children looked fantastic in their Halloween costumes. We saw some brilliant dancing and the children behaved superbly.

Children's University Newsletter

Please find attached the latest Children's University Newsletter. In addition to some helpful info about the new user portal and code system, it also includes lots of info about half-term activities around Bristol and a link to our Half-term Challenge Sheet. Please also find attached a User Guide for anyone who may not have received it previously. If you have any queries or want to find out more about 'Children's University please visit: cu@uwe.ac.uk



Breakfast Club

This is a polite reminder to parents dropping children into breakfast club that classrooms are not open at this time as teachers are preparing classrooms or meeting with colleagues. If your child needs something from the classroom, they should wait until 8:50 when all the children go into class. Thank you.

School Sandwiches

Ham sandwiches will only be available Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday as a sandwich option, until further notice.

Attendance League September 16th to 20th 2019

Position	Class	Attendance
1	Kingfisher	97%
2	Penguin	95%
3	Flamingo	94%
4	Blue Jay	92%
5	Crow	91%
6	Falcon	89%
7	Robin	88%
Average		92%

Dates for the diary

Monday 4th Nov – School closed for INSET
Friday 15th Nov – Children in Need Day
Tuesday 19th Nov – Year 1 Phonics Meeting for Parents
Saturday 7th Dec – PTA Christmas Fair
Thursday 12th Dec – Christmas Dinner
Thursday 12th Dec – PTA Christmas Movie Night
Tues 17th and 18th Dec – Christmas Shows
Thursday 19th Dec – Christmas Jumper day
Friday 20th Dec – Carols Around the Tree (2.30pm)
Friday 20th Dec – Last Day of Term

Yours sincerely,

James Hollis

Headteacher

