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Message from the Headteacher:

I hope that everyone had a lovely half term and that you have been enjoying the bright, crisp days that we have had recently. Thank you to everyone who is now wearing a mask to drop off and collect the children. This is to protect staff, parents and children and will ensure that we can continue to operate at full capacity.

The children have started their new topics this week and I know that the children in Year 5 and 6 enjoyed the launch of their Stone Age topic with a camp fire. Year 3 and 4 will be learning about the Tudors this half term, Oliver Jeffers Class will be learning about 'The Great Fire of London' and the Judith Kerr Class will be focusing on 'Tiaras and Turrets'. I know that they have already had a Royal visit this week!

The Young Ambassador Project has continued this half term and the children in the JK Rowling Class have worked with an author and learnt how to Bollywood dance. I really enjoyed watching their final piece, they all have great rhythm and it was lovely to see the smiles and concentration on all of their faces.

Parent Consultation Evenings will take place via the telephone next week. Teachers will contact you after school for a 10 minute consultation. If we are not able to get hold of you on one day, we will continue try again on a different day. Please can you make sure that the Office have your up-to-date phone number and email address?

Next Wednesday we will be recognising Remembrance Day and the children will be doing activities in class to support their learning about why this day is important. Thank you to the Simon's Family for their kind donation to the school of a Remembrance Wreath. This has been placed in the School Reception Area.



We have also had 10 Christmas Boxes donated to the school by the Methodist Church. The Pastoral Team will be looking at who will receive these boxes over the next couple of weeks. They have also written us a quiz for the children to have a go at during the Christmas period. Thank you to Barry and his team for these kind donations.

PING! Everyone who has given us an email address should have received an email from PING with a log in and a temporary password for you to be able to either log on via the web or download the app. We will be using PING for sending messages to Parents/Carers and, in the future, you will also be able to use it for making payments. This is part of our ongoing drive to improve communication.

STAFFING UPDATE

We will be saying goodbye to Miss Kicks, one of our EYFS Learning Support Assistants, next week. She has worked with many of the children

House Points

Owls	310
Panthers	301
Dragons	308
Dolphins	310

Attendance This Week TARGET: 96%

Julia Donaldson	76.4%
Judith Kerr	88.7%
Oliver Jeffers	86.5%
Roald Dahl	89.8%
Enid Blyton	88.4%
Jacqueline Wilson	86.9%
Michael Morpurgo	76.5%
J K Rowling	78.3%
Michael Rosen	88.7%

HOUSE POINT WINNERS AUTUMN I

At the end of last half term, Dolphins won the House Point Trophy overall. Any child in the Dolphins House can come in on **Friday 13th November** in Non-Uniform as a reward for this achievement.

Applications for **Reception 2021** open on Monday 9th November, please look out for further details after half term. We will also be launching our Virtual Tour of the school soon for any prospective parents.

in the school and we would like to wish her all the best in her new role as a Nursery Practitioner at Kiddicaru. I know she will do an amazing job and we will miss her very much. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her many years of service at SMFA.

PE/Jewellery

Can we please remind you that children should not be wearing any jewellery, particularly earrings on their PE day(s). Can you please ensure you take these out in the morning as we are unable to help children remove any jewellery.

Finally, I hope that everyone has a lovely weekend and I would like to thank you for in advance for following the lockdown rules because, by doing this, we are protecting staff, children and other parents and carers.

Miss Debbie Conroy