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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back, I hope that you had a lovely half term, despite the rainy and windy weather. Next week is a very busy week in school, as we will be celebrating Odd Socks Day on Monday and Positive Noticing Day on Wednesday. It is also our 1<sup>st</sup> parent's evening on Tuesday.

**Parent's evening drop in**

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November anytime between 3:30-4:30pm, classrooms will be open for you to view your child's work and learning so far this year. Teachers will be present within the classrooms, however there is no appointment needed - it will be quieter if you arrive after 3:45pm. For safeguarding reasons, all children will be dismissed from classrooms 1<sup>st</sup> and we will then re-open the main office door at 3:30pm. Please help us by collecting your child promptly at 3:20pm.

**Congratulations to our Stars of the Week**

Class 1	Zahra A
Class 2	Ella-Rose P
Class 3	Richard D
Class 4	Millie-Rose P
Class 5	Gursirat P
Class 6	Elias A-S
Class 7	Alex Y
Class 8	Teresa D
Class 9	Charleigh W
Class 10	Phoebe E-H
Class 11	Saira G
Class 12	Keerat T
Class 13	Paige G
Class 14	Chigozirim N-N

**Dates for your diary**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November** – Odd Socks Day (Anti-Bullying Week)  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 3:30-4:30pm** – Parent's Evening Drop in (to look at books)  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Positive Noticing Day  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November** – Bring a Bottle House Competition  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November** – Class 13 assembly to parents 9:30am  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December** – Winter Fair (4:30-6:30pm)  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** – INSET day, school closed to children.  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Class 12 assembly to parents 9:30am  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day / Christmas parties / Christmas Lunch  
**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Early phase (Class 1,2,3,4 only) Christmas Concert at St Matthew's Church (parents invited) 10:45am  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** – Break up for Christmas 1:30pm

**Positive Noticing Day**

As part of our work on Thread 2 of our positive behaviour for learning policy we will be celebrating positive noticing day next Wednesday.

We will be spending time throughout the day thinking about the power of positive noticing. It is simple, practical, and highly effective. Being positively noticed by others builds your self-esteem, supports behaviour, and promotes good mental health. We will be encouraging pupils to positively notice one another, and we will be sending all children home with a positive statement about themselves from the adults in their classroom.

You may wish to join in with us on Wednesday and use Positive Noticing Day as an opportunity to start daily Positive Noticing in your home. We know that children who are positively noticed by their parents are happier, healthier, and more resilient and secure. You could create and share positive labels / post it notes as a family and save them, perhaps stick them on the fridge, the back of the door or put them in an old picture frame.

Here are some ideas to get you started:

- 'I noticed you washed your plate, that's really helped me this morning, you are very thoughtful, thank you.'
- 'Doing your homework without me asking shows real independence. I love the determination you are showing.'
- 'You are so good at sharing with your sister. You are such a kind person.'
- 'I noticed that you were really kind to XXXX at school. That made me really proud of you.'
- 'Thank you for putting your clothes in the wash basket. I notice you are following the routine and remembering it perfectly. You are really trying, and I appreciate it.'

We hope you enjoy the day and want to say 'we notice you' and the effort you make to support your children, to engage them in learning and enrich our school community. You can find out more about Positive Noticing and Positive Noticing Day at <https://www.positivenoticingday.com/homeadults>



**Odd Socks Day**

Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week. In 2023 it will take place on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November** and the theme is 'Make a noise about bullying'. The idea of Odd Socks Day is to celebrate what makes us all unique and spread kindness! **WE WOULD LIKE ALL CHILDREN TO COME TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY WEARING THEIR SCHOOL / PE UNIFORM AND ODD SOCKS.**



Next week is 'week 1' on our dinner menu.  
Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Hay  
Head Teacher