

Platt Primary News

Issue 1 Term 3

'Live life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)



Friday 6th January 2023

Dear Parents, carers and friends,

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a peaceful Christmas and have managed to enjoy some time together with family and friends.



Our training day on January 3rd was centred around phonics and the program we use in school—Read Write Inc. This was delivered by a Read Write Inc trainer to all teachers and TAs to ensure we have a consistent approach to teaching early reading across our school.

It was so lovely to welcome you all back on Wednesday—lots of smiling faces and a few tired ones as we get back into the school run routine!

This term we have lots to look forward to including Young Voices at the O2, mid-year reports going home and our youngest children leading their first church service.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy 2023.

Latest Health Advice

We are aware of the latest advice from the UK Health Security Agency which can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/back-to-school-advice-issued-amid-high-levels-of-flu-covid-19-and-scarlet-fever>

This is a reminder that viruses such as flu are circulating at high levels. If your child did not have the flu vaccination, you can still access this and how to do so is included on the webpage above. Please remind your children, as we will, of good hygiene practices such as covering your mouth when coughing and sneezing and washing hands regularly. Attendance is important so please exercise your parental judgement when deciding if your child is too unwell to attend school and seek advice from a health professional. **If your child is well, they should attend school as normal.**



Baby News!

We would like to share with you the wonderful news that Miss Marchant in Creators class is expecting her first child. She will be going on maternity leave at the end of term 4 at the Easter break. Mrs Miller-Hannah who currently covers and teaches in other classes here at Platt, will be taking up the role of teaching in Creators class whilst Miss Marchant is on maternity leave. I am sure you will join us all in congratulating Miss Marchant on her happy news.



Bottle Tops

Thank you for your bottle top contributions. These are no longer required. We are hoping to create some outdoor art pieces with the vast collection that we have.

Speech and Language Assessments

We have now finished assessing the children in year R that we feel would benefit from speech and language support. The results will be shared with you and intervention given, if recommended. In some cases a referral may be needed but you will be contacted about this for consent first. We will now focus on re-assessing children in Year 1 and 2 who were assessed using the previous programme. If intervention or a referral is required you will be informed. If you have any questions please speak to Mrs J Smith or Mrs Gillham/Hawkins.

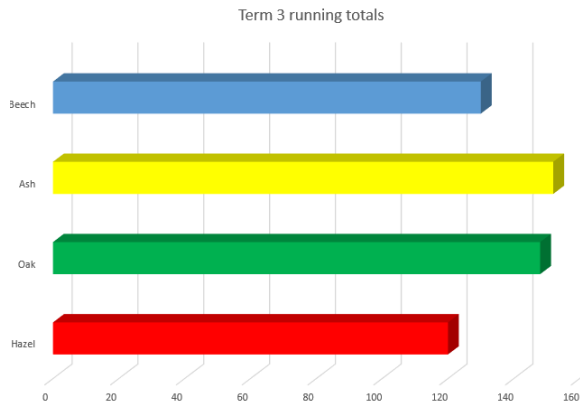
Food Bank Donations

It has come to our attention the local food bank is running low. If you have any leftovers you will not get through or would just like to help out, please bring in any non-perishable food items or other items such as toiletries to the school office any day next week. Your donations will be greatly received and will be collected on Friday 13th January, so please donate if you can, by then. Thank you.



House Points—well done to all Houses on a great start! Ash take the first week's win.

| | Week 1 | | | |
|--------------|--------|-----|-----|-------|
| | Hazel | Oak | Ash | Beech |
| Creators | 28 | 29 | 29 | 27 |
| Explorers | 10 | 26 | 27 | 13 |
| Astronauts | 10 | 24 | 24 | 9 |
| Inventors | 21 | 16 | 21 | 28 |
| Adventurers | 13 | 16 | 19 | 16 |
| Voyagers | 13 | 15 | 10 | 25 |
| Ambassadors | 25 | 22 | 22 | 12 |
| Weekly total | 120 | 148 | 152 | 130 |



Achievement Award



Well done to this week's recipients for showing the value of Forgiveness are:

- Creators: Christian
- Explorers: Billy
- Astronauts: Jiarui
- Inventors: Magnus
- Adventurers: John-Marc
- Voyagers: Noah
- Ambassadors: Maddilyn

Next week's value is Friendship.

Diary Dates

Please note that all events and dates listed below are accurate at the time of printing this newsletter, but, could be subject to change in the future.

- 19.01.23 Young Voices
- 27.01.23 Mid-Year Reports Sent out
- 01.02.23 Informal Parent Drop in meeting (3.30 –4.30)
- 10.02.23 Last day of Term 3
- 20.02.23 Term 4 commences
- 31.03.23 Last day of Term 4 (School Ends at 1.15) NO CLUBS
- 17.04.23 Term 5 Commences
- 01.05.23 Bank Holiday Monday (School Closed)
- 06.05. 23 Coronation of King Charles III
- 08.05. 23 Extra Bank Holiday (School Closed)
- 09.05.23 Key Stage 2 SATs Commence
- 15.05.23 Key Stage 1 SATs Week
- 26.05.23 Last Day of Term 5
- 05.06.23 Staff Training Day
- 06.06.23 First day of Term 6
- 14.07.23 End of Year Reports Sent out
- 19.07.23 Last day of Term 6 (School Ends at 1.15 p.m.) NO CLUBS

2023-2024

- Development Day 1** 01.09.23
- Term 1** 04.09.23– 20.10.23
- Term 2** 30.10.23—15.12.23
- Development Day 2** 02.01.24
- Term 3** 03.01.24-09.02.24
- Term 4** 19.02.24—28.03.24
- Term 5** 15.04.24—24.05.24
- Development Day 3** 03.06.24
- Term 6** 04.06.24—23.07.24

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