

Platt Primary News



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

Friday 8th September 2023

Welcome!

We do hope you all had an enjoyable summer break. The staff team here are rested, refreshed and ready to start another academic year! The children have all settled back in so well which has been really pleasing to see. I have thoroughly enjoyed hearing about all of the summer fun they have been having.

A warm welcome to our new staff who already feel part of the team. Mr Macrae, Mrs Smit and Mrs Snow have joined us as class teachers and Mrs Bate joins us as our HLTA covering teachers' release time. Thank you for joining us for the Meet the Teacher sessions this week. We aim to keep you informed as much as possible and we have further plans to continue to keep communication working well between home and school during this year. At the end of this newsletter, you will find a list of key dates for the academic year to get you started with planning ahead. Other dates may be added during the course of the year but we will do our best to give you as much notice as possible with this.

It has been a rather hot return to school this week. We keep the classes as well ventilated as possible, starting this early when it is still cool.

Unfortunately we had a minor water leak over the summer and are having to use dehumidifiers to dry the last of it out. These are kept to staff only areas during the day. We also lost the internet and this impacted our phone lines however they are thankfully now back up and running.

As ever, do always catch a member of staff on the gates with any questions you may have.

Have a good weekend,
Mrs Smith

New Reception Year!

It has been a pleasure to welcome our new entrants to Creators Class this week. The children have settled into our morning routines and had a tour of the school. The children have had time to familiarise themselves with each other along with our classroom environments.

Today they started their phonics lessons and even joined in with whole school worship and play time on the 'big' playground. Next week we look forward to meeting our year 6 buddies!





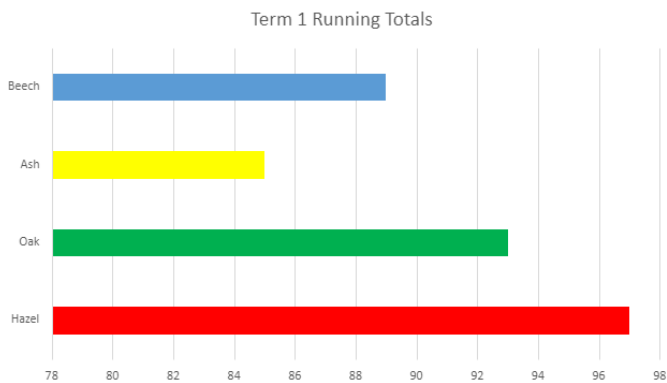
Achievement Award



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

Explorers: Bea
Astronauts: Ruby
Inventors: Esme and Tommy
Adventurers: Fynn
Voyagers: Erin
Ambassadors: Amelia and Oliver

House Points



Hazel took the win this week with 97 points. Well done!

Oak: 93

Beech: 89

Ash: 85

Parent Survey Outcomes

Last summer, we asked you to complete a survey. The response was higher than the previous survey, so thank you very much for taking the time to complete it. You made so many positive comments about the school it really was a heart-warming read.

Naturally, you gave some suggestions for how you feel the school could improve. Many of which I agree with and already had in mind to put in place this year. The first change is that there will be two parents' evenings over the course of the academic year. It is important we keep you informed of how your child is doing academically. Other changes will include more trips and the continued use of Forest School.

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.

Autumn Terms 1 and 2

- Forest School for Year 5 every Tuesday during term 1 (except 3rd Oct) then every Friday during term 2 (specific dates will be sent later this term)
- Tiger Troop for Year 4 every Friday during term 1
- w/c 11th September Reception Year stay until 1:30pm
- Thursday 14th September 6pm PTA AGM – school hall
- w/c 18th September Reception Year full time
- Friday 29th September 9am Phonics Workshop for new Reception Year children – school hall
- *Monday 25th September INSET Day 2 – children not in school*
- Tuesday 10th October Parents' Evening 2:30-4:30pm
- Thursday 12th October Parents' Evening 4:30-7pm
- Tuesday 17th October New Entrants' Open Morning 9am
- Thursday 19th October Flu Vaccinations
- *23rd – 27th October – HALF TERM*
- *Monday 30th October INSET Day 3 – children not in school*
- Saturday 4th November Platt Fireworks Event
- Thursday 9th November New Entrants' Open Morning 9am
- Friday 17th November Children in Need (tbc)
- Monday 20th November New Entrants' Open Evening 5:30pm
- Friday 24th November Whole School Open Afternoon from 2:45pm
- Tuesday 5th December Nativity performance 10am
- Wednesday 6th December Nativity performance 2pm
- Thursday 7th December Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 8th December 9am Christmas Coffee Morning for potential New Entrants
- *18th December – 1st January School Holidays*

For more dates for this academic year, please see the diary dates list that has been emailed to you or the school website.

Choir

Information will come out in the next couple of weeks regarding choir.

Mrs Smith and the school team

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