

Platt Primary News



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

Friday 15th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our second week of the term and thankfully the weather has been a little cooler. The children will continue to be able to play on the field while it stays dry.

Myself and Mrs Brown have had the pleasure of dropping into the classrooms this week to see how the children are settling into their learning. It was truly the highlight of our week! The children were focused and working hard. They could talk to us about their learning and were keen to share their work with us. Every classroom felt calm and happy which is a credit to the staff and the children. We have many things we wish to develop this year in school, including the curriculum and our teaching and learning practices. You will have seen from the diary dates I sent last week, that we will be holding open afternoons across the year where you will be able to come into class and see your child's books and they can share their learning with you.

The children have all come back to school looking very smart in their uniforms—thank you for this and for ensuring they have a plastic water bottle, it is appreciated. Just a reminder that longer hair (that falls below the collar) should be tied back please.

A gentle reminder that in the mornings, the teachers and staff need to focus on welcoming and settling the children into school. Please pass on messages via Dojo, office email or staff on the gates. Children in Years 3-6 should walk in through the gates unaccompanied please.

Have a peaceful weekend,

Mrs Smith

Adventurers

The Adventurers had their first recorder lesson this week. It was great fun! They learnt how to blow into the recorder and how to hold it. They even managed to perform a short song as a group playing the note B. Mrs. Whitehead was very impressed with their listening and their enthusiasm to learn! We are looking forward to learning more notes and more songs so that we can perform when our sessions come to an end. We also started Tiger Troop today.



Collective Worship

This week our youngest children joined us all in the hall for Collective Worship and sat beautifully.

In worship this week we have been focusing on Jesus the teacher with readings from Matthew. We considered the following: Jesus said, 'Listen then if you have ears to hear' and the importance of listening when learning. A prayer from this week for you:

Dear Lord, please help us to think carefully about our actions. Help us always to treat others in a way that we would like them to treat us.

AMEN



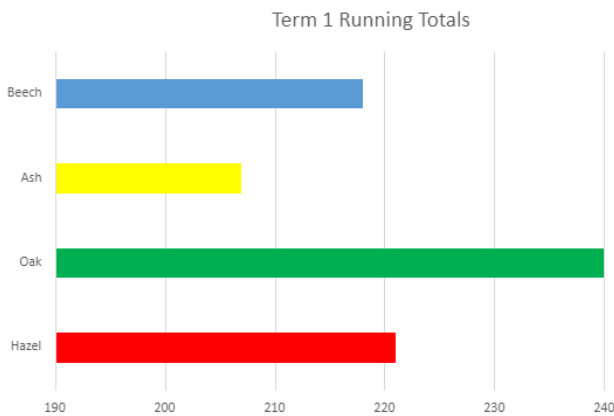
Achievement Award



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

Creators: Noah
Explorers: Charlotte
Astronauts: Aldrin
Inventors: Arlo
Adventurers: Faith
Voyagers: Billie
Ambassadors: Liam

House Points



Oak took the win this week with 147 points! Well done!

Beech: 129

Ash: 122

Hazel: 124

Musical Achievements

Many congratulations to Seb in year 6 for achieving a high merit in his grade 3 piano exam at the end of last term.

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 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

Choir begins again on Friday 22nd September at 8:15am in the hall.

Mrs Smith and the school team

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