



Note from Mrs Cole

The second half of term has already been action packed and both staff and children are busy preparing for the many events between now and Christmas. I hope you found our Christmas letter useful. I apologise in advance that there may well be an increase in the number of Parentmails we send out, it's a difficult balance to maintain during this time of the year we would rather ensure you were over informed. Our Friends of Malvern Way have sent out information regarding our Christmas Fair on 8th December. I really do encourage all our parents to support this event in any way you can but particularly in volunteering to organise and run stalls. Staff will be attending to support the event too so working together let's make this a huge success.



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Important Dates

8/12	FoMW Christmas Fair
10/12	Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsal to Little Green
11/12	9.30am KS1 Christmas Performance to Year 1 Parents or Carers
11/12	1.45pm Reception Christmas Performance to Shieldbug Parents and Reception Grandparents
12/12	9.30am Reception Christmas Performance to Bumble Bee and Ladybird Parents
12/12	1.30pm KS1 Christmas Performance to Year 2 Parents or Carers
16/12	9.15am Minnow & Dragonfly Christmas Sing Along
16/12	2.15pm Minnow and Duckling Christmas Sing Along
17/12	Pantomime Trip to Watersmeet
18/12	Christmas Lunch
20/12	End of Term at 2pm

Remembrance Day

Following the sale of Poppies, in support of the Royal British Legion, our classes held a short silence on Remembrance day. Well done to all for observing this time so respectfully.

New Governor

Well done to Jenny Leonard who was appointed as our new Parent Governor.

What's Been Happening

Anti Bullying Day

Mrs Stevens led a whole school assembly using the story of Sandy Bottom Sea School. This story explored some of the situations that occur at our school and together we discussed how they made us feel and what we could do to resolve them. We reminded children that their voices are powerful and if someone is upsetting them it is important to say "stop". We also discussed what a bystander is and why it is important that children speak up when they notice unkind behaviour taking place. Back in classes, children reviewed the story and read other stories exploring similar themes.

If any of our families have any concerns regarding any aspects of behaviour, in the first instance I encourage you to speak with the class teacher to discuss further.

Twilight Adventure

As part of their topic The Great Outdoors, our Year 2 children enjoyed a wonderful evening back at school. Each class worked together to build a fire



before taking a walk around our school in the dark. While we didn't get to see any of our school badgers, we were joined by both foxes and field mice. The evening ended with S'Mores and a whole year group sing song around the camp fire. It was certainly a wonderful event, one I hope the children will remember for a long time. As the children left they were loudly declaring that this was "the best night ever!" A huge thank you to the Year 2 team of teachers and teaching assistants for organising this event.

School Tours

Our school tours for children due to enter Reception next year have started. Although this is an opportunity for new parents to find out more about our school and see the children in action, it is also a great opportunity for myself and Mrs Butcher to show off the incredible learning opportunities available. The visitors were hugely impressed by the range of provision available to the children and at the attitudes to learning they saw across the school. More tours are planned for the Spring term so if you know of anyone with either a Reception or Nursery child – please direct them to our school website.

Useful Information

Everbridge



The school uses the Everbridge school closure notification system to alert parents in the event that the school is unable to open. As we are approaching the winter season, I would encourage all parents to sign up or check logins from last year.

<https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489#/login>

Each contact can register up to 2 devices for each communication type (SMS and e-mail). If you have children at more than one school you can register for each school in a single registration process by selecting all schools your children attend. Once registered, you will receive messages relating to the status of your school/schools. This system will be used in conjunction with Parentmail already used in school.

Headteacher Awards

Owl:	Emily Z, Larry A
Heron:	Ilis B
Robin:	Eesha M, Reece W
Rabbit:	Kishan V, Harvey N, Caelan F-H, Caleb F
Ladybird:	Ayan A, George S, Scarlett K, Rayan R, Isabelle W
Bumble bee:	Joshua C, William D, Elliot F, Alex S, Nathan G, Alice K, Tallulah H, Leah T, Jamie T, Carys J, Rayan R
Shield bug:	Sienna H

'The Sun' Books for Schools Scheme

In conjunction with Little Green we are collecting tokens from 'The Sun' "Books for Schools" scheme. If you have any tokens, please send them in to either school.



Safe Driving

Unfortunately there was a collision outside the gates on Malvern Way earlier this week involving some of our parents. Please could I remind everybody of the importance of taking extra care around the local area.



Badge Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who have received a badge since our last newsletter:

Being Independent Learners ~ Harry G, Nathan N, Ella F, Soren S, Alyssa W, Freddie G, Kieran G

Good Listeners ~ Levin W, Elizabeth S, Zoe S

Polite ~ Logan M, Eden B, Sebastian N, Elliot F, Phoenix S, Shivanshi T, Arya K, Florence B, James W, Zachary P, Alicia L, Siyana B, Louis B, Evie B, Ellie F, Beth T, Muhammed A-K, Callum W, Zaineb B, Anjali G, Jack H, Jessica W, Aditya D, Joseph J

Kind & Thoughtful ~ Barnaby N-M, Sam S, Jenson T, Annie H, Kumayl S, Freya G, Keshavi P, Sadie M, Shayen G, Jack W

Care of the Environment ~ Ellie B, Alice K, Zac T, Arun G, Jaden S, Lotta A, Eleanor W, Amira S, James C

Good Friend ~ Krish S, Ariella M-H, George R, Joah R, Willow A, Summer P, Millie F, Harry P, Elizabeth C, Daisy P, Harvey N, Elsie C, Alfred R, Felicity J, Ellie T, Benjamin C, Sanaya G

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