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Malvern Way News

From Mrs Cole

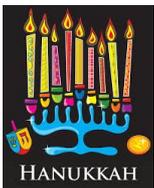
Newsletter 7: 12th January 2018



A belated Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to the Spring Term. Our new topics have been chosen and the children have been taking part in introductory activities. Year 2's learning will be out of this world as they discover more about "Supersonic Space", Year 1 will be having some "Amazing Adventures" and Early Years are all focusing on stories.

We welcomed 2 new members of staff to our team; Miss Papier will be teaching Shield bug class during Mrs Del Percio's maternity leave and Mrs Esmond has joined our Nursery team. Mrs Del Percio has now started her maternity leave and Ms Lamb will be leaving us at the end of January. Ms Lamb has worked at Malvern Way since 2012 in a variety of roles across the school but most recently with our Nursery classes. There has been no challenge too big for Ms Lamb to handle! Ms Lamb has secured a new position closer to her home.

A reminder to all parents that applications for Reception and Year 3 2018 must be completed by Monday 15th January. We have completed our tours for prospective Reception parents and as ever I was extremely proud to showcase the school. The parents on the tour were very impressed by the levels of engagement displayed by the children and the range of learning opportunities offered to them.



On Monday Rabbi Aaron delivered an assembly to the whole school to help us understand about the festival of Hanukkah.

We always look forward to Rabbi Aaron's visits, the children particularly enjoyed coming in to assembly listening to Rabbi Aaron singing and playing the guitar. Our Year 1 children will be visiting a synagogue next week to discover more about the Jewish faith.

Parental Drug Awareness Workshop

6.00-7.30pm 15th March 2018

On 15th March 2018 we will be hosting a Drug and Alcohol Awareness Workshop in partnership with Little Green School. Although our children are very young, it is never too early to upskill ourselves as parents in preparation for tricky conversations.

The workshop aims to:

- Provide relevant, up-to-date information about alcohol, cannabis and psychoactive substances (previously known as 'legal highs') in a safe and familiar environment*
- Offer strategies for having open conversations with children about drug and alcohol misuse*
- Promote ways that parents can help children make positive, healthy choices.*

We will ask for numbers of people attending after half term.

In our first assembly of the new year, Key Stage 1 pledged to make some class resolutions:



As a school we have pledged to try and reduce the amount of plastic waste we create. As a first step we will be writing to the company who deliver our milk asking them to find an alternative to the throw away straws.



*To keep our classroom tidy.
To look after the books
in our book corner.*



*To keep the cloakroom tidy.
To come straight to the
carpet for learning
time.*



*To make sure all pens and
glue sticks have lids.
To always say please
and thank you.*



*To tell other children to
stop if we see or hear them
being unkind.
To always tell an
adult.*



*To keep active
throughout the school day.
To be responsible for
our own belongings
and keep them tidy.*

*Never give up on
your work.
Leave other
people's things alone.*



This week we enjoyed 2 days of drawing with Jean and Alan from Artists In Schools. Each class took part in an Art lesson in which we all discovered that we can draw! Jean and Alan worked hard to encourage us to be brave and not worry about making our pictures look exactly right. I joined Robin class as we sketched our shoes and then used an inspirational video to sketch a cyclist ensuring our sketches displayed the speed of the cyclist. The staff also enjoyed a staff meeting where once again the focus was on being confident to draw and losing your inhibitions.



Dragonfly: Nathan

Bumble Bee: Amira

Ladybird: Aditya

Hedgehog: Ollie, Leo, Max H

Rabbit: James L

Squirrel: Peter, Matthew

Robin: Samrath, Brodie, Rakshith, Eliyah

Heron: Ghaazi

Owl: Ava S, Mason, Edie

Badge Assembly

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

Being Independent Learners ~ Matthew, Leo, Harry, Leo S, Leo M, Eesha, Louise, Zach, Masie, Caelan, Adam, Aryan, Abigail, Jack, Ava

Being a Good Friend ~ Jack, Aldona, Imogen, Millie, Erin, Wiktorina

Good Listeners ~ Autumn, Oscar, Margaret, Denzyl, Esward, Theo, Uma, Jessica, Emily, Joshua, Sophie, Mayra, Charlotte

Polite ~ Zachary, Rayid, Adrian

Care Of The Environment ~ Alex, Evan, Sam, Elisa, Arianna, Ghaazi