

Newsletter 1

Dear Parents

At the end of our first week back, I will say that the children have settled in so very well. They have slotted straight into all of the school routines including many of those that have not been done in over a year, like collective worship in the hall!

Wishing you a good weekend for children to recuperate after a whole week in school...many are quite tired already!

Our Value for the term is FORGIVENESS



Some of you may be aware that a new dog has been seen on site. We are conscious that Fernie is aging and will need to be retired during the next couple of years. Due to this, Scrumpy has joined the Gardner household with the intention that long term, he and Tango will share the job in school. For the first year, he will visit part time and be very much behind the scenes just getting used to the environment, busy-ness and sounds. If you see him with either Mr or Mrs Gardner, please give him space and please do not approach him at this stage while he is habituating to the school environment. Unfortunately we will not be working with Dogs Helping Kids Charity as they closed the charity during the pandemic, but we will be supported by



Canines Supporting Children, which is an offshoot of the now closed DHK. We will give updates how he is doing in due course...

New Class meetings

Teachers will be meeting their new parents in person this year. During the meeting, teachers will be outlining routines and expectations for the year, as well as being able to answer any questions about the new year group. Please make every effort to attend. The times and Dates are below:

CLASS	YEAR GROUP	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Lion	R	Tues 28.09.21	2.30pm	Hall
Leopard	1	Mon 13.09.21	2.40pm	Hall
Panther	2	Weds 22.09.21	2.40pm	Hall
Tiger	3	Thur 16.09.21	8.40am	Hall
Jaguar	4	Tues 14.09.21	2.30pm	Hall
Lynx	5	Weds 15.09.21	2.30pm	Hall
Puma	6	Tues 14.09.21	8.40am	Hall

Individual photographs

We are due to have a photographer in to photograph individual children on **Monday 27th September**. Please can children wear the full uniform on this day so they are looking super smart!



Reminders

-Please remember that any items (Clothes, water bottles etc) brought in to school should be **named!** This way we can return them if they are lost.

-Please check that your child likes the menu item that you book on Select!

-Please remember Year 3 and 4 parents that children need to bring a swimming kit every MONDAY.

Play equipment

Please can I take the start of the school year as an opportunity to remind everyone that the wooden play equipment should not be used by children either before or after school. Unfortunately this is due to insurance cover.



Winford Youth Theatre starts on Wednesday 15th September at Winford Village Hall.



We will be exploring performance skills, boosting creativity, building confidence and most importantly having fun!

Year 3&4 class will be from 3.15 to 4.15

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Year 5&6 class will be from 4.15 to 5.15.

£5 per session, termly or weekly payments. Classes will be run by me, Alison Johnson, BA Hons Drama, PGCE Central School of Speech and Drama. I am an experienced specialist drama teacher and examiner. If you would like to find out more and book a place please email me at Winfordyouththeatre@gmail.com

Celebration Assembly Certificates

<p><u>Leopard</u></p> 	<p>To the whole of the leopard class. What a fabulous start to Year 1 you've all had this week! You've taken on many new challenges already - finding your own locker, your own drawer, a new classroom, new expectations - this list goes on and on. Mrs Ashfield is super proud of you all and cannot wait for all the fun of the year ahead!</p>
<p><u>Panther</u></p> 	<p>To the whole of Panther Class, You have all been absolutely brilliant this week! We have been so impressed with how well you've settled back in and how well you've all worked. It has been so lovely to see all of your smiling faces again. Let's have a great year.</p> <p>Katie - I have been super impressed with your positive attitude towards everything you've done so far. You have produced a lovely piece of writing about your summer holiday, and you have shown that you have a good understanding of spelling and punctuation. You have also made brilliant contributions to whole class learning. A big well done for a great start.</p>

<p><u>Tiger</u></p> 	<p>To the whole class for a fantastic first week in Tiger class. You have all settled in so well and been brilliant. I already love teaching you and I know this year is going to be a good one! :)</p>
<p><u>Jaguar</u></p> 	<p>Amelia Reynolds - Amelia really impressed me with her written literacy work this week. We were improving sentences and she chose her vocabulary very carefully and created some imaginative and very descriptive writing by using adjectives, adverbs and prepositions.</p>
<p><u>Lynx</u></p>  <p style="font-size: small; margin-left: 10px;">shutterstock - 106786004</p>	<p>Well done to all of the new Lynx Class for settling into year 5 so quickly and working hard this week. Just remember though the real work begins next week.....</p>
<p><u>Puma</u></p> 	<p>Year 6 have come back to school with an incredible attitude to learning. Everyone in Puma class has really put in their best effort this week and are taking their learning very seriously.</p> <p>They have started setting an example for younger children with their hard work and are eager to improve from year 5, competing against themselves and winning so far!</p> <p>I'm really proud of how well they have just dived straight in, completed homework already (!) and worked really hard this week, which has for them consisted of normal school lessons all week.</p>