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## Newsletter 7

Dear Parents

As part of our links with local churches, we have been made aware of the Baptist Church shoebox appeal. They would normally be collecting filled shoeboxes ready to send to needy families at Christmas. Owing to Covid this is not possible, but the shoebox charity is still helping families in Albania for whom this Christmas will be as hard as ever - if not more so due to the pandemic.

This year partner churches in Albania are going to make up the boxes locally and anyone can make a donation to cover the cost of a box (£12-15 per box). For more information and to find out how to donate, please see the following link: <https://www.webnetwork.org.uk/mission/webbox-appeal/>

### Covid-19 Updates

**Just a reminder to parents, you and your children will need to self isolate if:**

- *you have symptoms of coronavirus*
- *you or someone you live with has taken a test and are awaiting the results*
- *you have tested positive for coronavirus*
- *you live with someone who has symptoms or has tested positive for coronavirus*
- *someone in your support bubble has symptoms or has tested positive for coronavirus*
- *you are told to isolate by the test and trace app*



### **If this is the case then**

- *do not go to work, school or public places – work from home if you can*
- *do not go on public transport or use taxis*
- *do not go out to get food / medicine – order it online or by phone, or ask someone to bring it to you*
- *do not have visitors in your home, including friends/ family – except for people providing essential care*
- *do not go out to exercise – exercise at home or in your garden, if you have one*

### Weather Protection!

Now we are well into the cold and soggy winter weather, please ensure that your child comes to school with a suitable coat so they can still go outside during playtimes.



### Toys and games

Thank you for the few donations we have had for our wet play boxes. If you are having a pre-Christmas clear out, we are still accepting any donations of toys and games to help fill our class wet-play boxes!



### Christmas Trees

Our PTA annual Christmas Tree sale at the school is still going ahead albeit with some extra covid precautions this year!



**These will be the usual high quality non-drop trees,**  
**150-175cm- £35**  
**175-200cm- £40**

**On 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> December 3:30-4:30, and then on the weekend 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December between 10:00 -12:00**

Local delivery £5 from 12:00 onwards Saturday and Sunday. Please wear a mask, and there will be a 1-way system in place.

## Celebration Assembly Certificates 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November

<p><b><u>Lion</u></b></p> 	<p>Emily L- for being an all-round lovely member of Lion Class. Emily is always polite, kind and very helpful. She shows great patience with others and always tries hard at any task set. Emily is a great friend and a great asset to the class!</p> <p>Cody- for impressing us so much in phonics this week. Cody has been trying really hard with learning the new sounds and with all the follow up work we have been doing too. Keep up this great work Cody!</p> <p>George- for really impressing us in Phonics recently. George is so keen to learn our new sounds and he is remembering lots of them. George is becoming more confident each week to blend them together for reading and it's so great to see his enthusiasm! Keep this up George.</p> <p>Harry- for excellent Maths work this week. We have been learning all about 2d shapes and Harry was keen to challenge himself to learn the harder ones such as Pentagon, Hexagon and Octagon! Great work Harry!</p>
<p><b><u>Leopard</u></b></p> 	<p>Khali - Because she will always ask questions to help her learning. Well done for this Khali -It shows that you are interested and want to learn.</p> <p>Freddie BB - You always try your absolute best in class and because of this, you have produced some great writing this week. Mrs Ashfield was particularly impressed with the lovely letter you chose to write to friend in class, especially as you pointed out the split digraph that you had learnt earlier that morning! Well done, Freddie!</p> <p>Katie - You always have such great energy and enthusiasm for everything that you do - and this shows that you really love learning! Such a big well done for all your great ideas and the contributions you make to the class, It's always lovely to hear what you have to say.</p> <p>Jack - Our value this term is patience and Jack really stands out as someone who shows a lot of patience at school. He will wait respectfully for his friends when they are talking, he will wait calmly in the playground during a game and he shows patience with himself when working hard to understand new things, and this is really important and a kind thing to do for yourself. A massive well done Jack</p>
<p><b><u>Panther</u></b></p> 	<p>Priddy – Priddy as shown many time this week how to be a brilliant friend to other people in Panther class. She has been patient and kind, looked after others and she is setting a fantastic example to everyone in Year 2.</p> <p>Raph - Raph worked really hard on his instructional writing this week and created an imaginative and engaging introduction that would make any reader want to follow his instructions. I was really impressed with his persuasive language and use of questions. Good job Raph!</p> <p>George: For a fantastic week of hard work in school but also for excellent and consistent reading at home this week! Well done George!</p> <p>Eleanor: Eleanor is worker of the week for two reasons: For being a brilliant friend to others when they really need one and for always taking her time with presenting her work and making sure her handwriting is beautiful.</p>

## Tiger



Chloe - for working incredibly hard in her work. Chloe has developed a determined attitude which is great to see! On top of this, Chloe has gone home and completed lots of work without being asked which is very impressive. Well done Chloe, keep up this amazing work!

Henry Hu. - for great contributions in our hockey sessions. Hurford has shared many of his own hockey skills with the class and patiently taught his skills to others. Great to see, well done!

Henry P - for always have such a positive attitude, working hard, being respectful and being a generally lovely member of the class. HP is a great role model 😊

Anna - for some fantastic writing this week. Anna worked hard to up-level sentences and then use these sentences in an extended piece of writing. Well done for producing such an amazing piece of writing 😊

David - for always showing great determination, curiosity and cooperation in class. David consistently works hard and puts 100% into his work. David is a great role model, well done and keep it up 😊

## Jaguar



Macey - for showing patience when tackling your Maths work this week. We have been learning to subtract numbers with exchanges and you have taken your time to focus, listen and work through problems using all of the strategies you know. You have made excellent progress this week. Keep it up!

Max - you are always enthusiastic and positive about your work in class, in each subject. You did some really high quality writing this week using conjunctions to extend your sentences. It was clear that you focused really carefully on all of the things you need to include to write a brilliant sentence (neat handwriting, capital letters and punctuation). You thought about using different conjunctions to make sure your sentences were interesting and varied. Well done!

To all of Jaguar class. It was a joy to take you up to the forest yesterday where you all showed such a great sense of teamwork and respect for one another, looking after each other. You all showed patience when tying knots with wool to create your wands, and a special mention to those children who helped others who found this difficult. You listened well to the instructions given in order to keep everyone safe and showed fantastic organisation in a very muddy welly situation.

## Lynx



Mia- for working really hard in class all week. Miss Edwards has been very impressed with how hard you have been working with her in maths and literacy this week, especially the facts you have remembered about Harriet Tubman in literacy. Well done Mia.

Phoebe- for a fab draft on your Harriet Tubman biography in literacy. Miss Shipton was very impressed with your level of detail and organisation of ideas and key facts. Well done Pheobe.

Freddie - for brilliant focus and always being ready to learn, particularly in maths this week.

Lacey - for showing patience when trying to complete different challenges with bubbles in science this week.

Hugo - for challenging himself in maths this week and completing everything that was asked of him.

## Puma



Alfie Heal and Reuben for listening to advice about speed, focus and how to answer comprehension questions and applying it their comprehension test yesterday to great effect.

Meg and Phoebe for a really positive attitude in an extra maths session this week, and making the most of the opportunity to do a bit more.

Well done to our Y6s who had to self-isolate over the past few days. Most of you joined in Teams sessions With Mrs Buncombe and completed the work set.