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### **Week 3 New Menus**

Dear Parents and Carers,

At the beginning of the week we learnt about St. Andrew, the patron saint of Scotland, as it was St. Andrew's day on November 30<sup>th</sup>. The children were fascinated to know that he was one of the twelve apostles and Simon Peter's brother. The story helped us to think about our TERRIFIC (Christian) values of Endurance and Forgiveness but also helped us to reflect on our own beliefs and values in our own spiritual journey. Members of our Faith Committee wrote a prayer asking God to help us to be brave like St. Andrew, which was read during Team assembly this morning. We had notice this week of our Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) which will happen on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December and we are looking forward to showing the inspection our TERRIFIC school.

#### **Sickness**

Please can I remind parents of the 48hr rule for sickness. While we are trying to get rid of the lingering sickness bug at school, it is important for the health of whole school community that children do not return too soon after a bout of sickness even if they seem well enough to return.

#### **PTFA Winter Wonderland Ball**

The tickets are now on sale for our Christmas PTFA event (Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December) but I would like to make it clear to parents that it is a family event and that wherever possible, the children should be accompanied by a responsible adult especially if the children are in Reception and KS1.

#### **Achievements from Home and School** We had much to celebrate in assembly this morning:

**Home:** Orla has passed her Stage 4 swimming and has moved up a swimming group; William and Ruby were very proud of their 25m swimming achievements; Jak won first place in a recent trampolining competition; Ruby came second out of 38 competitors in her trampolining competition and Ben also performed brilliantly in a recent swimming competition; he came second (bronze) in the breast stroke and won gold in the butterfly.

**School:** Well done to the following children for achieving their **Bronze Athletics** award: Fay Alderman, Emily, Lucy, Poppy, Jessica, Rachael, Lucy, Mitchell, Hannah, Lily Mae, Sam, Ivy, Jacob, Cameron and Orla. Well done Sebbie, Katie, Ruby, Jasper, Jessica, Fay, Ruby and Kenny for achieving their **Silver Athletics award**. Many children have also been using **Spellzone** to help improve their spelling; Oskarl, Issy, Rachael, Abbie, Kayleigh, Aidan, Tom, Oliver, Harriet, Katie, Sam, Josh, Lilly, Kristian, Daisy, Luke, Spencer, Tate, Alfie, Jessica, Brody, Hadley, Izzy, Evie and Maddy. Thea was awarded her **Pen Licence**. Olivia, Ruby and Ivy were all very proud of their Bronze certificates for Building Learning Power.

Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

#### **Happy Book**

In the Happy Book this week; Sonn thanked the Playleaders for playing duck, duck goose! Caroline Harding was very impressed with Brody, Joshua and Hadley's contributions during faith Committee this week; Mr Clark wanted to thank Oliver for his kindness and care of Jasper during last week's Team Assembly and we were all very proud of Mr Meade who was a Good Samaritan when he helped an injured man on his way to work.

#### **Roll of Honour**

**Our Learning Heroes this week:** Children who have made promises and have kept them.

**Copeland:** Okia has an amazing memory and uses it to help keep his teachers and class mates on track!

**Durrington:** Jacob kept his promise to work on his spellings and to work hard on his writing.

**Fitzwalter:** Jack and Jena promised to try and manage their distractions during the reading sessions and they have done brilliantly with their promise this week.

**Quickbury:** Charlie, Tom and Daisy kept their promise to read every day this week.

Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

#### **Birthdays**

This morning we sang the birthday song to Aidan who was 9 years old today.

#### **Learning Hero**

My Star of the Week is Freya for believing in herself and making such good progress with her writing. Well done Freya; You are TERRIFIC!

#### **Letters/Parentmail Home:**

PTFA Winter Ball

Christmas dinner

Pantomime – (please return consent slip and payment to school office)

#### **Diary Dates**

- **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December:** Flu Vaccinations in School
- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas jumper day in exchange for raffle gifts and decorated jars/crackers
- **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** Whole school trip to the pantomime at Rhodes Centre
- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** 9:30am Nativity dress rehearsal
- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** 6pm Nativity service in school

- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** 9:30 am Nativity service in St Mary's church
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas lunch (letter to follow)

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- **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas event 4-7pm
- **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December:** End of term
- **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** Non-pupil day
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January:** Non-pupil day
- **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January:** Spring term begins

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lorna Brittain

