



NEWSLETTER

26th February 2018

SCHOOL NEWS

Our character strengths this half term are Self Control, Patience and Honesty.

Our Jigsaw PSHE theme for this half term is 'Healthy Me'. You may have already seen our launch assembly on the facebook page and the News & Star this week. We will be spending the half term talking to the children about the many different ways they can help to keep themselves physically and mentally healthy. Kidsafe sessions continue this half term in 4G and Y6 are working on the Real Love Rocks sessions.

As part of our work towards helping the United Nations achieve their Global Goals for Sustainable Development we are taking part in EDF Energy's Waste Week next week (5th-9th March). We will be particularly focusing on reducing our waste and increasing our recycling. Thanks go to Allerdale Council who are helping us with this initiative and providing new recycling bins for the children and staff to use around school. An activity for you to carry out at home is attached to this newsletter. We would be really grateful if you could carry it out and send your results in for our School Council to analyse at the end of the week.

Further to our work on global citizenship we have been invited to take two children along to the Cumbria Global Learning Conference at Rheged on 5th March. The children will accompany Mr Kyle and Mrs Smits to display work carried out in our school and talk to delegates about the global initiatives and learning they have worked on over the past twelve months. We are really excited to be taking part in this event and it will be a great experience for those children involved.

Well done to the children who have been attending weekly sessions to learn how to be effective Sports Leaders in school. They have had 3 fun-filled sessions learning new skills and co-operating well with each other as they develop into our leaders of the future.

School Council were lucky to get the chance to interview Sue Hayman our local MP just before the half term break. Their questions gave David Dimbleby a run for his money as well as learning a lot about the life of a MP. They have been tasked by Sue to compile a report on our upcoming reduced consumption and waste project which she will then pass on to Jeremy Corbyn. This is an exciting opportunity and one that we hope will have a real impact not just here in our school but possibly further afield.

Voice Up! congratulations to Erin Nicole in Y6 who won this year's competition. Congratulations also to Leah and Liam for their 2nd and 3rd places. All the children have done a fantastic job this week performing their poems in front of their classmates. Well done to all 8 children who were chosen as representatives for the final (Leah, Jayden, Roman, Tiegan, Charlotte, Liam, William & Erin). Poems as ever were varied in their subject matter. Some had us laughing, some crying but all were full of emotion. Erin wins a beautiful copy of The Lost Words book as the competition winner- something that she will hopefully treasure for a long time.

COLLECTION AT THE END OF THE DAY

Just a reminder that our school policy is for Y3 & Y4 pupils to be collected by an adult. Please ensure that if there is a change to any arrangement that your child's teacher is informed so they know who to expect. We will never let a child go with an adult if we have not had your permission.

Please can we also ask that if you need to speak to your child's teachers at the end of the day that you do this after all the children have been handed over. This will ensure that staff can be vigilant and ensure all children go safely without distraction. They are more than happy to speak to parents after this.

CAR PARK

Thank you to everyone for your continued co-operation with the new parking arrangements. Our Health & Safety governors recently carried out an on the spot inspection at the end of the school day and remarked on how safe and well ordered the dismissal of children was and how orderly parents and carers left the school car park.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2018

This year World Book Day is on Thursday March 1st. As usual we will have our school Readathon on this day and also invite children (and adults!) to attend school in costume as a book character if you would like to. Representatives from each year group are also taking part in a book quiz during this week's assemblies.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017-2018

Events coming up this half term:

Wb 19.2.18: Voice Up!

1.3.18: World Book Day

5.3.18-9.3.18: Waste Week

5.3.18: Cumbria Global Learning Conference at Rheged

14.3.18: Tempest in for class photos

26.2.18-9.18: Assessment fortnight

Wb 12.3.18: Parents Meetings

Wb 19.3.18: Pupil Progress meetings

26.3.18: Governor Teaching, Learning & Achievement Committee

28.3.18: Governor Finance & Resources Committee

29.3.18: Happy Puzzle Company Day

29.3.18: Break Up for Easter 3:15pm