



Fellgate Primary School

Friday 17th July 2020

Dear Children, Parents, Carers and Governors,

Here is our final newsletter, for what has been a very strange time for all. I would like to thank all parents and carers for continuing to support your child's learning and development during lock down. This has not been an easy task and we have all been really impressed by how everyone has responded. You can now have a well deserved rest !

I am sure you would all like to join me in praising and thanking our fantastic staff at Fellgate. They have all worked tirelessly throughout the year to encourage and support our children, to be the best they can be, in whatever they do and where ever they go. Each and everyone one of them needs to be praised for the work they have done. We really are a TEAM at Fellgate, and the crisis we have faced this year, has proved this without any doubt. Three cheers for our pupils, parents, carers, teachers, support staff, office staff, the kitchen staff, the cleaning team, caretaker and Governors. Together everyone really does achieve more.

As a school that Requires Improvement, we have continued to work towards making our school good. This year our Subject Leaders have worked upon our curriculum, ensuring that it is broad, balanced and progressive. We are all looking forward to welcoming the whole school back so we can get on with the job we all love.

Our website has been much improved and we will continue to do so. Have a look and tell us what you think! It has a lot of information to support and inform you about our school.

Our attendance has continued to improve. Thank you to all for supporting us with this. Last year (2018-19) 10 pupils achieved 100% attendance. This year (2019-20) 25 pupils achieved 100% attendance. Last year (2018-19) 54 pupils achieved 98%+ attendance. This year (2019-20) 64 pupils achieved 98%+ attendance. We would like to give a special mention to Harry M in the Base and Clyne H in Main school who have improved their attendance this year. Well done! Next year it is more important than ever to come to school everyday, we will all be chanting: Get up! Get in! Get on!

We would all like to congratulate Mr and Mrs Campbell on the birth of their daughter. We can't wait to meet her.

As always, if we can do anything to support please get in touch. Take care everyone, keep safe and have a lovely summer holiday.

Mrs Tones

Dear Parent/Carer

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and understanding during these very difficult and trying times. I would also like to congratulate your children on their commitment to school work, either attending or home learning. I know it must have been a challenge to both you and your children. Well done and enjoy your summer holidays.

Finally, I would like to thank Mrs Tones and all her staff for going the extra mile in coping with the pandemic and wish them a stress free holiday

Best Regards

Cllr Alan Smith (Chair of Governors)

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Longest Journey goes to ...

At the end of each term we celebrate our pupils who have experienced the longest journey to achieve their own personal targets. They are the children who are resilient and don't give up - we salute you ! We all know that to succeed we have to try, try, try and not give up. As Nelson Mandela once said **“Do not judge me by my success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got up again.”**

Lemons: Alex P has participated in a wide range of activities during lockdown and he has developed his independent skills. It has been lovely to see photos of him enjoying these activities! Well done Alex!

Oranges: Sonny C who has overcome so many challenges this term but with lots of perseverance he has adapted, overcome and succeeded and we are very proud of him.

Cherries: Taylor A as he has coped so well since becoming part of the key worker group, despite the fact it has been challenging to be away from his familiar staff, his classroom and his friends. Super job, Taylor, I am really proud of you!

Apples: Alfie M for really pushing himself to try new things during the lockdown period. He has begun to really enjoy using his trampoline in the garden, where previously he would not set foot in the garden at all. He has also braved all weathers to walk and see the trains coming and going. On top of all of this, his family is in the process of moving home and he is coping really well with the upheaval and the changes that are coming. We are very proud of Alfie!

Plums: Leland F for being an all round superstar during lockdown.

Blueberries: Emma S for being so positive throughout lockdown and being great for her Mam and Dad.

Acorns: Joel T, for his consistent hard work both during lockdown and since being back at school. He hasn't ever given up and does everything with a smile.

Maples: Victor J for always having a positive attitude to learning even during lockdown. He has worked very hard this year and shows a passion for learning.

Hawthorns: Damian J for his developing attitude to learning and also for challenging himself to become more independent with his work.

Chestnuts: Ellie-Mae D for making lots of progress this year; especially with your writing. You have lots of brilliant ideas and this has been reflected in your work. You have also worked really hard on your handwriting. Well done Ellie-Mae!

Willows: Lacie G for really growing in confidence. She has also worked so hard with her home learning and I am very impressed with the effort she has put into it. Keep up this fantastic attitude to learning!

Sycamores: Kim M has had a fantastic year at Fellgate! She had made lots of friends and tried hard with her learning. She has improved her reading and showed off her excellent artistic skills. Well done Kim!

Our Year 6 Role of Honour ...

This week we have said good bye to our Year 6. We are **all** very proud of you and will miss you dearly! If you ever need anything please remember the Fellgate Door is always open. Let us know how you get on, I am sure you will all go from strength to strength. You have all proved how resilient, determined and independent you can be, these values and skills will serve you well as you face your next challenge. We will all miss you, each one of you will be remembered fondly by all staff at Fellgate! As **Dr Seuss said "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."** The memories and friendships you have made you will treasure forever.

Alex W for the EVERYONE THINKS I'M GREAT AWARD!

Anton M for the POSITIVE FRIENDSHIP AWARD

Autumn L for the MOST IMPROVED ATTITUDE TO IMPROVE AND EXCEL AWARD

Emma C for the 'SELFIE' AWARD

Imogen L for the AMAZING AND INCREDIBLE BIG SISTER AWARD

Joe F for THE SARCASIM AWARD

Kian R for the NEATEST HANDWRITING EVER AWARD

Lauren H for the SMILER AWARD FOR ALWAYS BEING SO POSITIVE

Leon W for the WE WISH YOU HAD COME TO FELLGATE SOONER AWARD!

Lucy M for the HUMAN CALCULATOR AWARD

Paige H for the DETERMINATION AWARD FOR NEVER GIVING UP

Rosie B for the EXPERT AWARD—FOR KNOWING EVERYTHING!

Ruby A for the 'I CAN DO THIS IF I HAVE A GO' AWARD

Ryan G for the LIKEABILITY AWARD FOR BEING A GOOD GUY

Talia B for the HARD WORKER AWARD

Tilly B for the DOG ATE MY HOMEWORK AWARD

Will T for the FANTASTIC HAIR AWARD

Rosie C for the ANIME EXPERT AWARD

Lola T for the DATES AND YEARS QUEEN AWARD

Keith H for the GREAT FRIENDSHIP AWARD

Aya W for the SPEED READER AWARD

Alesha G for the MOST IMPROVED CONFIDENCE AWARD!

Daniel S most likely to be A PILOT

Travis B most likely to be A TRAIN DRIVER

Livi K most likely to be AN ARTIST

Matthew M most likely to be A PALAEOLOGIST

Tom W most likely to be A COMEDIAN

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