



# Fellgate Primary School

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Dear Children, Parents, Carers and Governors,

This week our school has celebrated inter-faith week. Children have been researching the different religions in our local area; researching art related to a particular religion and recreating it in different ways; creating a welcome poster for all faiths and using the internet to research a religion and creating power points, posters and booklet about it. Children have read and listened to different stories from different religions. The word of the week was **kindness**. Ask your child why ?

At Fellgate Primary School we are committed to a respectful, communicative and mutually supportive relationship between parents and staff. As a partnership, we want to encourage the importance of a good working relationship to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood. For these reasons we have devised a **Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers** to help us all work together more positively for the benefit of the children. Please scroll down to Page 3 to read our code of conduct.

Just to remind parents that uniforms can be ordered online from Tots to Teams our uniform supplier. [www.totstoteams.com](http://www.totstoteams.com) At the virtual checkout, if you click send to school, there will be free delivery. Mrs Ullah will then hand out the orders to the children.

## Upcoming dates

Anti-Bullying week 23.11.20 –27.11.20

Odd sock day 27.11.20

Christmas Dinner Day—Wednesday 9th December ( wear your Christmas jumper)

We want to reassure you that Christmas is not cancelled this year, it will just look slightly different. We will still have Christmas parties, make cards and calendars as well as produce Christmas Nativities/Shows. These will be produced safely and then filmed and shared with you all. More dates to follow.

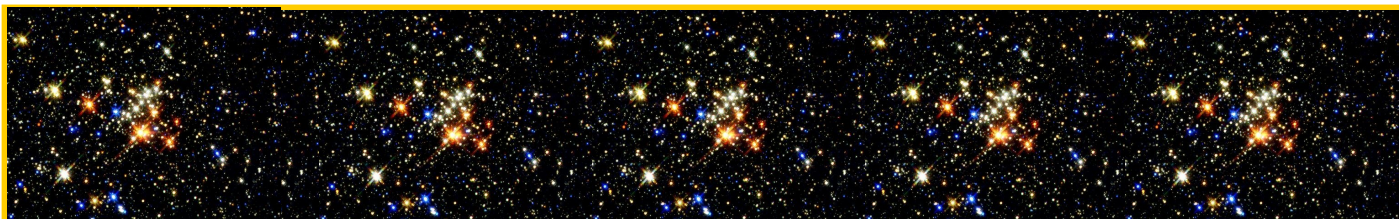
Finally, I regret to tell you that Cllr Alan Smith, our Chair of Governors, passed away yesterday. He has worked tirelessly to improve Fellgate School and has been instrumental in supporting our school move forward. He will be a great miss to our school, his family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Have a lovely weekend everyone, stay safe. Mrs Tones

Lemons-100%	Oranges – 94%	Cherries-96%	Apples-100%	Blueberries— 100%	Plums-79%	
Acorns-99%	Maples-100%	Hawthorns- 99%	Chestnuts- 94%	Willows-99%	Sycamores- 99%	Oaks-100%

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## Our Fellgate Stars of the Week are ...

**Lemons:** **Lita D** for being a kind friend and sharing with others

**Oranges:** **Lewis R** for his attention in group activities and making everyone smile with his singing during circle time

**Cherries:** **Dexter M** for showing lovely kindness to Lenny, our class dog, this week

**Apples:** **Anthony T** has been kind to his friends in class, playing and sharing with them

**Blueberries:** **Ethan B** for his great maths this week

**Plums:** **Oliver R** for always being kind, always respecting others and always being polite with lovely manners

**Acorns:** **Charlotte H** for always being kind to her friends and cheering people up with a smile

**Maples:** **Beaux** for always showing kindness to everyone she works with

**Hawthorns:** **Harrison A** for helping his friends to complete his work carefully

**Chestnuts:** **Ariana E** for always looking out for others and helping them

**Willows:** **Heidi M** for showing kindness by always making sure that her friends in class are alright. She also offered to help me with any jobs I might need doing in the classroom!

**Sycamores:** **Edson C** for always showing kindness towards everyone in school

**Oaks:** **Lucas M** for always being so positive and showing kindness and manners no matter what

### Our Vision

At Fellgate Primary School, through an ethos of respect, challenge and resilience, we aspire to create an inclusive, safe, vibrant, happy school where each member of the school community - children, parents, carers, staff and governors - feels valued and are encouraged to be the best they can be.

We celebrate individuality, striving for everyone to reach their full potential and “shine” in everything they do.

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# Code of Conduct For Parents and Carers

## A guide to supporting you and your child successfully through school

At Fellgate Primary School we are committed to a respectful, communicative and mutually supportive relationship between parents and staff.

As a partnership, our parents will understand the importance of a good working relationship to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood. For these reasons we continue to welcome and encourage parents/carers to participate fully in the life of our school.

This guide outlines the rules that apply to all parents and carers in our school. Our aim is to provide you with a framework that sets out the expected conduct and helps prevent misunderstandings and any situations blowing out of control so we can continue to flourish, progress and achieve in an atmosphere of mutual understanding.

### The essentials:

- ✓ Make sure your child arrives to school on time and is picked up promptly (if appropriate); or let us know if you are running late or if your child is going home with someone else.
- ✓ Complete all consent, contact and medical forms and inform us straight away if anything changes.
- ✓ Make sure your child has the right clothing for any activity they are involved in.
- ✓ Maintain a good relationship with your child's class teacher and attend workshops, school events and parent updates wherever possible or re-arrange if necessary to share information about your child's development.
- ✓ Talk to us if you have any concerns about any part of your child's education and development – we want to hear from you.
- ✓ If you have a concern and wish to make a formal complaint, please ensure that you correctly follow the school's policies and complaint procedures.

### The school expects parents and carers to:

- ✓ Respect the caring ethos of the school
- ✓ Understand that parents and teachers need to work together for the benefit of our children
- ✓ Demonstrate in their own behaviour that **all** members of the school community should be treated with respect and therefore set a good example in their own speech and behaviour

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- ✓ Understand that even if there is conflict due to a member of staff's oversight, parents must remain calm and respectful and be mindful that we are all working together for the child's best interests
- ✓ Approach school staff to inform them of any issue and allow them to help resolve issues
- ✓ Work with the school to build relationships with its staff
- ✓ Know that children cannot be moved classes on request of the parent
- ✓ Seek to clarify a child's version of events with the school's view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue
- ✓ Correct their own child's behaviour, especially where it could lead to conflict
- ✓ Avoid using staff as threats to admonish children

### **In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment the school does not tolerate:**

- ✗ Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of a classroom, office or other area of school grounds
- ✗ Loud or offensive language, swearing, cursing or displaying temper
- ✗ Threatening to do actual bodily harm to a member of school staff, governor, visitor, parent/carer or pupil
- ✗ Damaging or destroying school property
- ✗ Sending abusive or threatening emails, text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communication
- ✗ Defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parents/staff at the school on facebook or other social media sites
- ✗ The use of physical aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physically punishing your own child on school premises
- ✗ Chastising someone else's child
- ✗ Smoking, or consuming alcohol or drugs whilst on school property
- ✗ Bringing dogs on to school premises

We want you and your child to enjoy the best possible educational experience they can. Being aware of our school's expectations will help you to do that.

We expect all parents to follow the expected behaviour and requests set out in this document. If any parent behaves in a way which contradicts this code of conduct, we will address the problem at the earliest opportunity and aim to resolve the issue.

**Persistent concerns or breaches may result in banning the offending adult from entering school grounds. This is something we never want to do but the welfare and safety of children and adults on our school site is paramount.**

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## Further information on specific areas:

### Inappropriate use of Social Network Sites

- Defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parent/staff at the school should not be aired on Facebook or other social sites:
- Any concerns you may have about the school must be made through the appropriate channels by speaking to the class teacher, the Head teacher or the Chair of Governors, so they can be dealt with fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned.
- In the event that any pupil or parent/carer of a child/ren being educated at Fellgate Primary School is found to be posting libellous or defamatory comments on Facebook or other social network sites, they will be reported to the appropriate 'report abuse' section of the network site. All social network sites have clear rules about the content which can be posted on the site and they provide robust mechanisms to report contact or activity which breaches this. The school will also expect that any parent/carer or pupil removes such comments/ material immediately.
- In serious cases the school will also consider its legal options to deal with any such misuse of social networking and other sites. Additionally, and perhaps more importantly is the issue of cyber bullying and the use by one child or a parent to publicly humiliate another by inappropriate social network entry. We will take and deal with this as a serious incident of school bullying. Thankfully such incidents are extremely rare.
- We would expect that parents would make all persons responsible for collecting children aware of this policy.

### Dress and Appearance

- We expect all adults accessing our site to dress appropriately at all times.
- Please avoid clothing that may be viewed as offensive, revealing, sexually provocative, display contentious slogans and so on.

### Photographs, Videos and Images

- Photographs and videos should only be taken under the direction and supervision of senior leaders within the school with the subject being your child.
- Images and videos taken must NEVER be shared or posted on social networking sites.

### School Security

- Adults on site must sign in and wear a visible visitor's badge. Those without an enhanced DBS will be supervised at all times.

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