



Fellgate Primary School

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Dear Children, Parents, Carers and Governors,

Every third Monday of January Martin Luther King Jr is remembered. He lived in America about 90 years ago. Martin Luther King Jr made a huge difference, and he is remembered every year because of the work he did. He had a dream that everyone would be treated equally, he wanted to make the world a fairer place for everyone. Our question of the week this week was "**How can you make the world a better place?**" Our teachers have really struggled to choose just one person this week as all our children make our school a better place on a daily basis. Well done stars you are awesome! We also have 2 families with both children being awarded.



In line with Children's Mental Health Week (7-13th February) and the theme "Growing Together", we would like to tell you about the **Mental Health Peer Support Group** that South Tyneside's Healthy Mind Team has arranged for parents and carers. Please see the following message:-

"We know covid has had a huge impact on all our lives, including our young people. There may be some that are experiencing difficulty with coping with things that they, and you, previously would find does not affect them too much. If you would like to learn more about how to support them and strategies to building family resilience, please do join us. We have an experienced family practitioner attending who will be delivering the session.

Attached (page 3) is a flyer from which you should be able to access the Teams link to join the meeting direct, however, if that is not possible, then please contact michelle.olsen@southtyneside.gov.uk."

At Fellgate our motto is to Get up! Get In ! Get on! Coming to school every day is an absolute priority of ours. If your child is not at school they miss out. They miss learning time and time to learn how to develop and maintain relationships with their peers. Attendance at Fellgate has improved dramatically over the last 3 years (even with a Pandemic!) and we would like to thank everyone for supporting us to do this. As you know learning starts the minute children walk through the doors. Every minute of every day counts. If children are late to school on a regular basis they miss crucial learning. For example in Acorns and Hawthorns phonics starts at 9.05am. If your child is not in school by this time they will miss a crucial step in mastering the skill of reading. Supporting children to come to school on time, develops good routines for them in later life when they will need to be able to attend appointments on time. Please remember we here to support families in any way we can, so talk to us if you need any help.

We are beginning to roll out Parent Pay. Initially this is to be used by parents who pay for school dinners. We will then roll out to all families as a tool to pay for all things.

Have a great weekend everyone and stay safe! Mrs Tones

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Our attendance target is 96%

Weekly Whole School Attendance Total –88%

Lemons-89%	Oranges – 67%	Cherries-78%	Apples– 96%	Blueberries— 82%	Plums-100%
Acorns-91%	Hawthorns- 92%	Chestnuts- 82%	Willows-88%	Sycamores- 95%	Oaks-93%

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Our Fellgate Stars of the Week are ...

Lemons: **Olivia W** for amazing communication contributions during work tasks. Well done Olivia!!

Oranges: **Jude C** for being super responsible, always making sure he follows the rules and routine of the class and he enjoys it fulfilling his class job each day and helping his friends. Well done Jude!

Cherries: **Joseph H** for always making his friends and teachers laugh and being a positive class member.

Apples: **Sonny C** for trying lots of new things and doing fantastic work in lessons all week

Blueberries: **Marcus M** is a pleasure to have in our class - he contributes well and loves to have a joke with his teachers

Plums: **Harry M** for not only being extra helpful around school but at home too

Acorns: **Gabriel C** for bringing kindness and happiness to our class with his generous and caring attitude (he even brought everyone a banana for snack time!)

Hawthorns: **Wesley C** for being such a caring, positive and happy person to always be around

Willows: **Ava-Mae R & Mya M** for trying to make our world a better place by collecting litter along the beach

Chestnuts: **Riley G** for being extremely helpful in class and around school. He always keeps a close eye out to see if anyone needs a helping hand

Sycamores: **Alfie B** as he is trying to make our class a better place by ignoring any distractions and concentrating fully on his own learning

Oaks: **Edson C** for always making positive choices. He is always so involved in class discussions, leading by example

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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Mental Health Peer Support Group

Is your child facing a difficult time at the moment?

Falling out with friends, feeling self-critical or worrying are just some of the things that young people face; as parents we can sometimes struggle to know how to best support our children.

Join us for a parents' session on how support your child through difficult times.

Our session will take place on Wednesday 9th February at 4pm with the Healthy Minds Team's qualified systemic family practitioner.

The session will cover things like:

- Learning strategies to build family resilience
- Supporting each other through life's challenges
 - An opportunity to share your stories
- Sharing your own coping mechanisms (should you wish to do so)

The session will be an informal, safe environment to learn and share with other parents across South Tyneside. It's aimed at parents of young people aged 11-18 but all are welcome to come along.

The session will be held virtually over Teams, the link to access is:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Should you have any difficulties accessing the link, please contact:

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Look forward to seeing you there!