

Friday News at Fellgate Primary School

Friday 20th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Mrs Tones' phrase of the week This week our phrase of the week was "school council." This week last year's school councillors talked in Assembly about the ways they improved our school. Each class has held elections and voted their school councillor. The list of councillors will be published in next week's news.

We have 3 **parent governor vacancies**. Please see the letter that was shared on class dojo on Friday 13th September. There are paper copies in the school office. If you would like to be a parent governor, please send your nominations to me by 3.30pm on Friday 27th September.

Nasal Flu Vaccination Consent Form

Your child's flu vaccination is now due and the school session is booked for 14 October 2024. This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

Please complete the electronic consent form using the link below before 7 October 2024. (one for each child) to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/223a43ac>

Attendance: Get up! Get in! Get on!

In August, new Attendance Legislation was implemented. This is statutory guidance that all schools must follow. It included changes to the amount a parent will pay for a penalty notice fines and some of the register codes were changed.

Maintaining accurate registers are a legal requirement for school staff and why Helen, our Family Support Worker and Attendance Lead, will contact you if we haven't heard why your child is not in school.

We must adhere to the new legislation regarding the registers. This means that we will now need to implement a change to the codes we use. Currently, if your child is more than 10 minutes late to school, they receive an 'L' code (Late) and this will continue but, from Monday 23/9/24, we will also start using a 'U' code (Late, after registers closed). Registers



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will close at 9:35am, any children arriving after then (unless they are at a medical appointment or there are exceptional circumstances) will receive a 'U' code. This code affects their overall attendance percentage as it is classified as an 'unauthorised absence'. 10 'U' codes in a 10-week period could result in a penalty notice fine.

This is not something we have implemented lightly; we must do this in order to maintain our statutory duty. We implore you to please inform us if you think there are exceptional circumstances to why your child may arrive at school after 9:35am, but we also ask that you continue to strive to have your child at school on time, every day. We do not want your child to miss any learning.

Please contact Helen if you need this explained further. Thank you for your support.

A great start to our new year continues - 96% whole school attendance again! A big well done to our classes Rowans, Oaks, Birches and Chestnuts! All with 100%.

Acorns – 95%	Sycamores – 99%	Elms – 93%	Oaks – 95%
Rowans – 99%	Maples – 93%	Cherries – 97%	Chestnuts – 77%
			Birches – 98%

Our stars of the week

Acorns	Quinn	For having great ideas about our school
Rowans	Kiona	who has completed all of her 1:1 tasks with a smile on her face and has included friends within her play. Well done Kiona!
Sycamores	Katie	For preparing a speech and setting a goal to become part of the School Council
Maples	Xander	for having a fantastic week working hard and being a great role model. Well done Xander!
Cherries	Louie	for being elected as our school councillor. Louie has made a great start at Fellgate and is working hard in all areas of the curriculum
Elms	Jessica	For a super start to Y5. She has really developed her independence and will give a task a go whilst also asking for help if she needs it
Chestnuts	James	is our star of the week for being very dependable and always happy to help in class
Oaks	Daisy	Has this week been really focused on what she wanted to achieve and joining in with class discussions more
Birches	Zach	who has tried really hard with both his work and behaviour this week

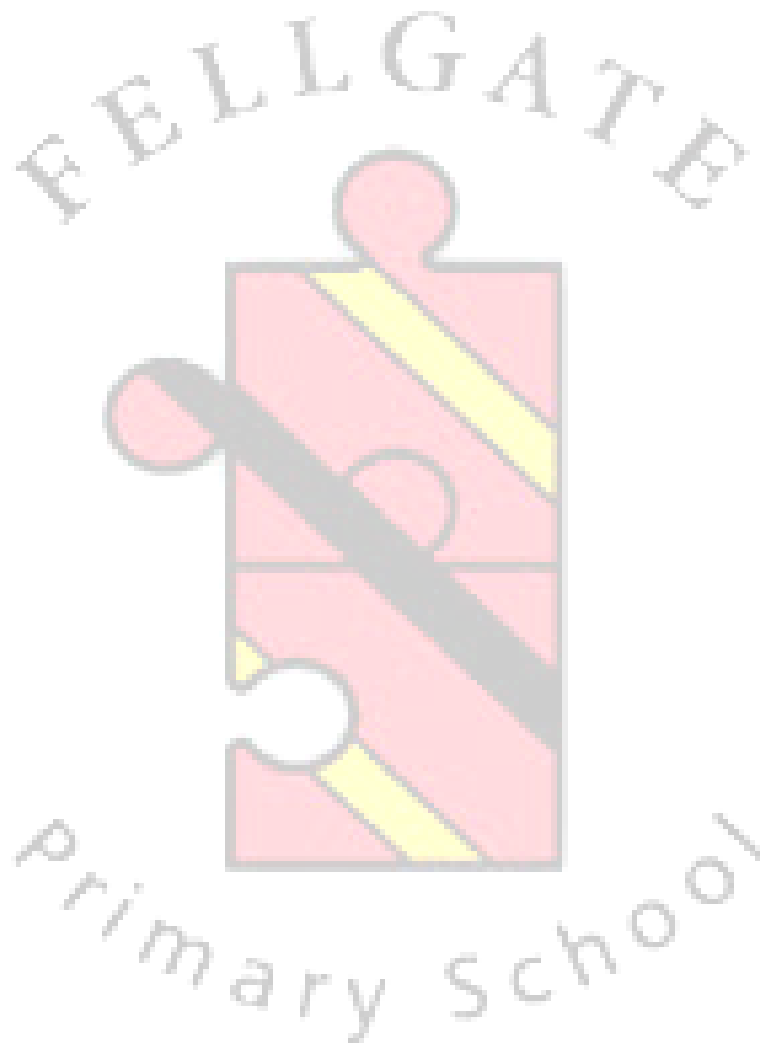


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Have a lovely weekend everyone! Look forward to seeing you all back on Monday!

Mrs Tones, Head Teacher



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