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Good afternoon everyone

Although we are all feeling tired as we reach the end of the first half term, let's take a moment to celebrate the hard work and achievements of our children, staff, and community. It has been a fantastic eight weeks filled with learning, creativity, and growth, and we look forward to more exciting experiences ahead.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance for this half term sits at 95.4%, which is in line the National average. Thank you for your efforts in ensuring your child comes to school every day on time. Let's see if we can rise to the challenge of beating

Congratulations to the Attendance Cup winners: 2JRKE and 6EW with 98%

Silver: 3KG with 97%

Bronze: 5SS with 95%

The class winners for the half term are 5SS with 97.6%, with 2JR/KE (96.89%) and 6MM (96.66%) close behind. Well done to all of these classes!

Open Day

It was a pleasure to welcome prospective new families to our school during the Open Day on Monday, where they had the opportunity to experience the vibrant and nurturing environment at Webheath. A special thank you goes to our wonderful Year 6 tour guides, who represented the school with pride and enthusiasm.

Year 6 Children Secondary School Placement

A final reminder to our current Year 6 parents that the closing date for applications to secondary school is 31st October 2024. For parents/carers who have applied Online but have received no notification, please could you contact Kay Jackson on 01905 846678 so she can check your application.

Children In Need and Anti Bullying Week

We will be recognising Anti-Bullying week during the week commencing 11th November. On Friday 15th November we will be celebrating the theme Choose Respect with a Friendship Friday and Children in Need event. Children should come in their normal Friday School uniform with some sort of Spotty accessory. We kindly request you make an affordable donation to Children in Need, you can do so directly using the link below.

[Primary School - JustGiving](#)

Mental Health Support

We would like to introduce you to the Hub of Hope website, hubofhope.co.uk. This is a powerful online platform which outlines and signposts local and National support options for adults and young people who may need support with any area of mental health and wellbeing.

[Mental Health Support Network provided by Chasing the Stigma | Hub of hope](#)

Chips at Pips – a reminder of this event at St Philip’s church after half term:



D&W Afterschool Sports Clubs

Bookings for our afterschool sports clubs are now available for Autumn 2, with spaces filling up quickly! Due to popularity, additional sessions have now been added on *Tuesday* and *Wednesday*. Please see below for more information on clubs. These are booked half termly at a subsidised £2 per session. To book or find out more information, please contact them directly at: 07802 683035.

Monday: **Reception -Y2** (*Football*)
Tuesday: **Reception - Y6** (*Multi Sports*)
Wednesday: **Reception - Y2 & Y5/6** (*Football*)
Thursday: **Reception - Y2** (*Multi Sports*)
Friday: **Y3/4** (*Football*)



Friends

Friends held their meeting this week and are in need of help for our Christmas Fair on Friday 13th December. If you are able to help in any way, please get in touch with Friends via email on FOWA2021@outlook.com Friends will be updating you via a newsletter half termly. The first one comes out today and will be attached to this newsletter.

Fond farewells and warm welcomes

We warmly wish Miss Robinson all the best as she begins her maternity leave and look forward to sharing the joyful news of her baby's arrival after half term. In her absence, we are delighted to welcome Mrs. Hartley to the Year 5 team until Christmas when Miss Taylor will then return to resume her Year 5 role after her own maternity leave.

Remembrance

As we approach Remembrance Day, poppies will be on sale in school after the half-term break. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together and show our support for those who have served and continue to serve in the armed forces. Please send your child to school with a donation if they would like to purchase a poppy.

Macmillan Coffee morning update

We would just like to thank you all again for your support for our Macmillan coffee morning, and further update you that after our Fridays cake sale the new total is **£1,406.69**. How wonderful!

School Website

We have been working hard to ensure our school website is up to date and a useful source of information for our community. You will find that all school newsletters will be available on the website as an additional communication tool. Please let us know if there is any additional information that you feel would be helpful to add to the website for our school community – we welcome supportive and constructive feedback!

Save the date!

- October half term Friday 25th October - Monday 4th November (TED)
- Children return to school on **Tuesday 5th November**
- Years 1 – 6 Walk to St Philip's Church for Remembrance service - Monday 11th November
- Children In Need Spotty Day – spotty accessories alongside uniform – Friday 15th November

Please find attached our Autumn Term 2 dates - look out for an action packed build up to the festive season!

Vision and Values

Today has been our vision and values day, where the children and staff have taken part in different activities to explore our new vision and values. Here is a reminder of our school vision:

Our school is more than a school; we are to children what mother nature is to life.

We provide roots in the ground that are foundations on which every individual can mature.

The trunk is our strength that supports us all through the sunshine and storms.

From the trunk, each branch finds its own direction to grow, becoming stronger over time.

Each branch has a desire to reach the heights of the sky, growing towards the light above.

From the branches, buds of curiosity appear and transform into leaves of knowledge.

The tree will thrive with the care and support of those around, who take time and patience to provide nurture and nourishment.

As the seasons change, richness and diversity spark excitement and creativity.

Everyone here, and the community beyond, will blossom, leading full and ambitious lives under the canopy of Webheath. Beneath the tree, the view of success will be admired by all who are touched by its beauty.

We are proud that our school vision is woven into every aspect of our daily lives and is represented by our school tree. The tree imagery serves not only as our school emblem but also as a symbol of the Shires Multi-Academy Trust. It embodies our collective commitment to working, creating, and growing together. Thank you for your continued support as we nurture this vision together.

As we close this half-term, we hope you enjoy a well-deserved break, and we look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday, 6th November, for another exciting term ahead.

Kind regards

Mrs Heffernan