



AUTUMN TERM (1)

MONDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2024

ISSUE 5

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had another very positive week last week celebrating how the pupils had been able to demonstrate the value of friendship throughout the week. We had a lovely range of nominations, which were celebrated in daily meeting time.

Thank you so much to the parents/carers who were able to make appointments last week to discuss how your child has settled into the new term; and to discuss their targets for the weeks ahead. If you were unable to make one of the time slots last week, do not hesitate to please get in touch to make an appointment with your child's class teacher.

As we discuss at admission, it is so important to maintain close contact and build up the relationship for the children between home and school. This helps the children make good progress at school and set down those positive building blocks, and creates a positive ethos and attitude towards learning.

Finally, just a reminder that our first Winmarleigh Day Camp of the academic year will take place on 11th October. I look forward to hearing all about the children's adventures.

Have a fantastic week!

Kind Regards

Mr M Hooper
Headteacher



Values at Stepping Stones

The Values of the week are Tolerance & Kindness

One of the most important things we can do to raise a tolerant child is talk about what tolerance is, and model it ourselves. 'Tolerance is most needed when we don't agree with someone, or when they are different from us. It's about learning to discuss things and argue with people without getting angry or upset.' Explains Rhian Seller, co-founder of the Learn2Think Foundation, which organises the UN International Day for Tolerance in primary schools. We will begin the week as usual with our Values assembly and as a school we will be discussing what we think we should tolerate and whether there are things we never have to tolerate.



We really want to celebrate home nominations on our Values' Board in school each week. Simply message the class teacher via Class Dojo for a home nomination which will be read out and celebrated at daily meeting.

Can-do Colin

Finally, Can-do Colin has been out and about this weekend again – we can't wait to hear about all of his adventures – please do remember to send in some photos of his exploits with your child into Class Dojo. Thank you - we really do value your input from home.



This week's Headteacher awards are as follows:

Archie Cooper – Hazel class

Ethan Gray – Elm class

Transport



Please note that LCC Transport who arrange and organise our taxis and passenger assistants are currently experiencing huge staff shortages. We have had to cancel taxi runs in the last few days because of this and parents have helped by bringing their children up to school. Please bear with them whilst staffing levels increase.



Week Commencing 23/9/2024 – 27/9/2024 = Our attendance 96%.

Well done to all and keep up the hard work!

96%

Contact details



Please can you ensure that if you have changed your contact number recently, please contact the school office to update your details.

Thank you for your continued support and for mirroring our ethos and values at home.

Please remember that we are here to support you and you can contact Mrs Armstrong (Family Support – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday).

Mr Hooper and the whole staff team at Stepping Stones School