



So half term is now nearly upon us and I'm sure everyone is looking forward to a restful week. It has been a very busy term and for me a really exciting and interesting one. I have loved meeting lots of new children, staff, Governors and parents and finding out about our wonderful school. The children have been working extremely hard and there have been lots of visits, visitors and exciting events that have helped bring the learning alive. I know the KS1 children have particularly enjoyed their Bog Baby topic and the KS2 children their work around 'The Fox'. The Foundation Stage children have been amazing and settled into school life very quickly.

In Monday morning assemblies I cover a range of topics and themes. This term I have focused on our Powerful Learners and what they mean. During the year, I would like to invite visitors in to talk to the children about their jobs and careers. If you would like to come into school to talk about your job and what it involves, please contact us as you would be warmly welcomed.

In Celebration assembly we said a big well done to our Star Powerful Learners who were: Mimi in Jupiter, Will in Saturn, Alice in Neptune, Henry I in Apollo, Flo in Galaxy, Steven in Milky Way and George in Voyager. Jacob in Galaxy also received a certificate.

I hope you all have a great half term and I look forward to seeing you all again Monday 4th November. Nick Firkins

Headteacher

VSA NEWS

Cake Sales: It is the first Apollo Class cake sale tomorrow - if you are able to, please bake or buy some items for sale. Any volunteers to help pack or sell are greatly appreciated - please let Mrs Molloy know.

School Disco: Thank you to all the parents and staff who helped at last week's school disco, we hope all the children enjoyed themselves! We would especially like to thank the Co-Op at Badcox for kindly donating the food for this event.

Coming up after half term: After a week's break we will be back with:

- our next VSA Committee meeting on Thursday 7th November in Neptune Class, all parents/carers are welcome to attend.

- our secondhand uniform shop and Neptune Class cake sale on Friday 8th November.

- Christmas Family Bingo on Thursday 28th November. If anyone knows a local business who would be prepared to donate a raffle prize please let us know through the VSA Facebook page or via the School Office.

Thank you for your continued support and enjoy the half term break!

Poppies: The Poppy Appeal will be going around school every day from week beginning 4th November. Please donate generously to this very worthy cause. Lunchtime Supervisor: We currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor, working $7\frac{1}{2}$ hours per week. Please contact the school office if you are interested. **Volunteers:** KS1 are in need of volunteers to listen to the children read. If you would like to volunteer please come to the school office to find out more details. If you are already a volunteer and haven't taken up this opportunity, please see Mrs Molloy.

Dates for your Diary Wednesday 13th November - Tuesday 19th November - Book Fair Tuesday 19th November - Flu Immunisations Thursday 28th November - Family Christmas Bingo Monday 16th December at 1.30pm - KS1 Christmas Performance Tuesday 17th December at 9.30am - KS1 Christmas Performance Tuesday 17th December at 1.30pm - Foundation Stage Christmas Performance Tuesday 17th December at 5pm - KS2 Carol Service at Trinity Church Wednesday 18th December at 1.30pm - Foundation Stage Christmas Performance **Clubs:** Please come to the school office by tomorrow (Friday 25th October) if you have not yet paid for your child's club. If payment is not received their place will be offered to another child. Please note we still have places in Tag Rugby club (Wed).