

## Goldstone Federation News

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Newsletter 2C: October 2020

## **Cheswardine Primary and Nursery School**

Dear Parents/Carers 4.11.20

This month I'm going to do a newsletter for each school as the teachers have given me such a lot of wonderful news to share, it would end up as a book rather than a letter.

I have to say a big thankyou to the PTFA for both schools who have come up with incredibly creative ideas to keep fundraising for the schools and allow the children to still have some fun experiences. Both villages had a pumpkin trail over the half term and both managed to raise funds through Bags 2 School, well done. Look out for more ideas in the coming half term.

I know that many of you will be feeling as overwhelmed as we are entering a second national lockdown. If there is anything school can do to help you and your family please don't hesitate to ask, I know we cannot interact like we used to but we are still here for you all and will be trying hard to keep some semblance of normality for all our children and families.

Reflecting on the lockdown we realise that many of our children will have had limited birthday parties this year and we would like to remedy this in some way so they can celebrate a special time with their friends. Following an idea of another school we are proposing that each class hold a party afternoon once a month in which each class will provide games, treats and a party atmosphere for the children to celebrate their birthdays with their friends. The children will come in wearing school uniform and have school lunches or sandwiches as normal but during the afternoon a celebration will take place in their class as described which will include cup cakes (allergy aware) provided by the school / PTFA. Children who have had birthdays in September and October and up to the birthday afternoon chosen by the teacher will have their celebration in the week beginning 16.11.20 and the next one will be in the week beginning 7.12.20. We know the last week will be about Christmas and we want that to be a special week for the children as well. In the new year we will run end of the month birthday parties in which children who have a birthday that month will celebrate then. Hopefully we can inject a little fun back into these times.

Yours sincerely,

## REWilliams

Rachael Williams (Executive Headteacher)

Well done to the PTFA who raised £97.50 over last week after doing a pumpkin hunt and quiz around the village. A big thank you to Kayleigh Williams and Anne Field and all their helpers.

Look out for a Christmas Quiz coming soon!!

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**Firiday 13th November is Children in Need** please come in fancy dress and bring in a donation.

Please remember all homework is set online and is available on your child's class page of the website.

> If a child has to isolate from school please follow the planning set by the teacher and detailed in our Remote Learning Plan on the website.

## The Great Foodbank Challenge:

I can't believe how well you all responded to this.

Thankyou so much for your generosity. We sent in 620 items altogether and Class 2 were our winners!!!

WOW!! Well Done Everyone!!!!



We all worked on bunting for Reverend Becky and the church in October. School Dinners, hot or cold, can now be bought in school and paid for online at £2.25 each or free for Key Stage 1 children. Please see website for details.

Class 1

Class 2

Items counted:

Date	Headteachers' Awards in October
2.10 20	Hunter Williams for a really good week  Zach Tatham for a super week in English  Eve Gandy for great learning in English
	Joel Farmer good work in Maths  Henry Arnold improved presentation and effort in English  Emily Holmes for resilience in tricky math problems  Ava Pullar for sharing her work and being scientific  Daniel Stokes for an amazing effort in his homework  Harriet Goucher for excellent attitude and role modelling
9.10.20	Reuben Tatham for being a star coming into Nursery Franco Maccioni for good work in Maths Duke Harrison for super maths work Summer Davies for perseverance in Maths Ellie Shropshire for excellent all round effort Ollie Worrall for great improvement in attitude Melodie Yates-Dunbar for sharing her opinions confidently
16.10. 20	Sophie Boyles for a super happy week  Jameson Bennett for practising to write his name.  Clara Mazan for excellent work all week  Jack Randles for a great acrostic poem.  Henry Arnold for excellent effort in Maths and English  Katelyn Parsons for good understanding in Maths  Shea Williams great improvement in attitude  Harvey Arnold for being more organised and engaged in his reading



In Class One we have spent a term being Superheroes! We have learnt about fictional and real-life superheroes and had a fantastic art day where we learnt about Autumn colours, and different ways of producing them. We have experimented with the properties of

everyday materials and made Diwali lamps in RE.







Class 3 have been studying the Earth and beyond this term. We have studied artist Peter Thorpe and have used his unique style as inspiration for our own abstract artwork! We have also loved learning about all the gruesome types of punishment used throughout history, particularly the terrible Tudors!





Class 2 won the Foodbank Challenge for a start, well done! They have created their own solar system and have enjoyed reading 'The Jamie Drake Equation' in Literacy. They have also done lots of practical measuring outside and asked lots of questions about space and beyond!!

**Nursery** have had a wonderful first term, we are so proud of how the children have settled in. We welcome all our new starters and their families and thank everyone for their support in such challenging times.

After a term of Superheroes we finished last term off having a Halloween themed week with pumpkins and dressing up and we are looking forward to our pirate themed term which I am sure the children will really enjoy, the older ones have already started making papier mache pirate islands!











A Special Well Done from all of us to **Owen Bell** who has been signed by Port Vale Football Club's academy. We are all super proud of your achievement Owen!!

