



Friday 27th September 2024

THIS WEEKS CELEBRATIONS

STARS OF THE WEEK

ATTENDANCE TARGET – 95%

Recep – 85.9%

Y1 – 93.2%

Y2 – 94.3%

Y3 – 91.1%

Y4 – 94.7%

Y5 – 96.8%

Y6 – 93.4

Whole School – 93.4%

William (R) – For his persistence with self-help skills.

Lacey (R) – For trying her absolute best to do fantastic listening.

Harlow (1) – For a positive, can-do attitude at all times towards his learning.

Ivy (1) – For always listening well and being so hard-working. A Little Heaton Hero.

Harrison (2) – For super listening and trying so hard in all of his work.

Melissa (2) – For being an amazing member of Y2 and always working hard.

Shivansh (3) – For being an excellent role model to all the class, following all of our values.

Stephen (3) – For a second week of showing super resilience.

Layan (4) – For her resilience at swimming.

Maryam (4) – For living out our school values and expectations, a true role model!

Lujain (5) – For having a positive attitude towards her learning and finishing work to a high standard.

Robin (5) – For being a positive role model in class and at breaktimes.

Sofia (6) – for engagement and concentration in music yesterday.

Annabelle (6) – also for engagement and concentration in music yesterday.

CHANGES TO FAMILY FITNESS DAY

We are looking forward to sharing our 'Fitness Friday' with you on Friday 4th October - please note the slight change to arrangements as we have needed to accommodate Y4 swimming:

Rec, Y1,Y2, Y4 - 9:30-10:30

Y3, Y5, Y6 - 2:30-3:30

We look forward to seeing you there!



Healthy Snacks

Please can we remind parents that we expect healthy snacks only for breaktimes.

Shoutout

A huge thank you to Mr Acton, one of our children's lovely grandparents, for a fantastic clean up job on our Forrest School Area. It looks AMAZING!

Golden Table (October 4th)

Adam (Y3) Reenad (Y3)

Sofie L (Y4) Ella (Y4)

Harry (Y3) Harper (Y6)

Jaxson (Y1) Layla (Y5)

Comets Football

Comets provides a safe space for children with additional needs and/ or a disability to play football, belong and just be themselves, allowing them to use their imagination to take them to a world where the possibilities are endless!

Comets offers a new, flexible, and inclusive way of playing, one that's all about playfulness, friendships and having fun. More than anything, Comets is football that breaks the old rules and replaces them with a brand new one: JUST BE YOU.

Heywood Sports Village

Thursdays

4:30pm-6pm (arrive anytime between 4:30-5pm)

For further information and bookings please contact:

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Headteachers Message

"I have not special talent, I am only passionately curious" - Albert Einstein

It was lovely to see so many of you at our MacMillan Coffee morning yesterday and we were very grateful for all the amazing donations we received! I thoroughly enjoyed getting to know some of you a little better and sharing some of the exciting events and activities we have coming up.

Our staff have spent a lot of time this week reviewing our maths teaching over the past couple of weeks and the children can expect some subtle changes to come. This is to support their 'mastery of number' and knowledge of multiplication tables and we hope you will be able to support your children with this at home!

We have also spent a lot of time over the past few weeks reviewing our phonics provision - we are passionate about ensuring our children receive the very best start to their reading journey and that they go on to develop a love of reading. There has been extensive research into the power of reading such as :

- Reading for pleasure is more important for children's cognitive development and is a more powerful factor in life achievement than socio-economic background.
- 16-year-olds who choose to read books for pleasure outside of school are more likely to secure managerial or professional jobs in later life.
- Having books in the home is associated with both reading enjoyment and confidence.
- Children who read books often at age 10 and more than once a week at age 16 gain higher results in maths, vocabulary and spelling tests at age 16 than those who read less regularly.

We believe we can instil this love of reading in partnership with our families and we will be introducing a number of events to support this throughout this year. We would like to start by inviting our Reception parents to a reading stay and play session at 2:00 on Thursday 3rd October.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs McNeill - Interim Headteacher

Harvest

The children have been preparing their contributions for our Harvest Service on Monday (in church at 9:30) and we do hope you are able to join us for this. We are still receiving donations of non-perishable items that our Ambassadors will take to Middleton Food Bank next week. On Monday afternoon, our children will take part in a Harvest sponsored walk and we have attached a sponsor sheet for them to complete. Please note that we are not expecting children to go 'door-to-door' to collect their sponsors, but to have family members sponsor the number of laps they think their child/ren will be able to run/walk.

This will take place on the school field (weather permitting) and children will try to complete as many laps of the field as possible. KS2 pupils will calculate the distance they have travelled, and we may even set an additional challenge for our Y6 pupils to calculate their speed! This promises to be a fun opportunity to get our pupils outside and involved in some additional physical activity as well as link to other areas of the curriculum!



Dates for your Diary

26th September – MacMillan Coffee Morning

30th September – Harvest

3rd October – Reception Reading Stay&Play

4th October – Family Fitness Day

9th October – Y6 Learning Exhibition

16th October – Open Morning (**Reception places September 2025**)

17th October – Reading Breakfast