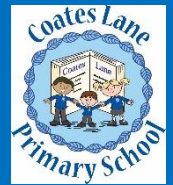




Coates Lane Primary School



Newsletter – 20th October 2023

Headteacher's Message

It has been another very exciting week here at Coates Lane Primary School!

On Monday, in assembly, we spoke about the importance of recycling as it is National Recycling Week from 16th to the 22nd October. We discussed what landfill sites are and why it is important to reduce the amount of rubbish that goes into landfill. I set the children the mission of ensuring that everything that can be recycled is recycled so hopefully they have been actively doing this at home!

On Tuesday, we welcomed parents into school for our Reception Stay and Play event. It was brilliant to see so many Reception parents in school and we hope you all enjoyed it – there are some photos on the next page!

On Thursday, we were visited by a travelling author called Chris Allton. He read some poems to Reception and Year 1 and then did a poetry writing workshop with the rest of the classes. All the children really enjoyed his visit and have produced some wonderful poetry, which will be collected together into a book for our school library.

Just a reminder that we finish today for half term and we return to school on Monday 30th October. On that day, there is also the PTFA Movie Night (Halloween themed) and payments can still be made on ParentPay if you wish for your child to come along. The following day, on Tuesday 31st October, children can come to school in spooky clothes for Halloween (**No faces covered please**). For coming in non-uniform, we are asking for a donation to Pendleside Hospice. This can be made on ParentPay or cash on the day. On ParentPay, you can make any donation, it has just been set to £1 minimum.

I hope that you all have a lovely half term week and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on 30th October.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

D. Toddington - Headteacher



AWARD WINNERS



Achiever of the week **20th October 2023**

Reception – Tommy L
Year 1 – Hunter F
Year 2 – Elliot B
Year 3 – Priya L
Year 4 – Aizah K
Year 5 – Brooke T
Year 6 – Alice W

Well done to all our superstar award winners – you are all amazing! Also, well done to everyone who has received a Recognition Award!

Attendance Award – Classes with over 96%

20th October – Year 1

House Point Winners

20th October - Tudors

Coats and Bags

We are at the time of year where the weather has become colder and more unpredictable. Please can we ask that all children bring a coat to school as they need this to play out in the colder weather. **Please make sure that all coats have your child's name in.** Also, some children regularly forget to bring their bags/reading books and water bottles. Please can we ask that all children bring these items every day.

Attendance Letters

At the end of each half term, we send out the 'traffic light' attendance letters. These are part of our policy to ensure that you, as parents, are kept fully informed about your child's attendance. Due to circumstances outside of our control, these letters will be sent out at the end of the first week back after half term, rather than this week. Please accept our apologies for the delay in getting these to you on this occasion.

WE NEED YOU!

The development of children's reading is always high on our priority list, and we need your support with this. There are two ways that we ask for your help and support:

- 1) Please try and ensure that your child reads regularly at home, and their reading record is signed. They could read to you in the car, while you are making tea or during quiet time just before bedtime. For older children, if they complete reading independently, please also make sure you sign their reading records to say they have done this. Reading at home is crucial and works hand in hand with the many reading activities that we do in school.
- 2) **We would like to ask for some volunteers, who could spare some time to come and listen to children read in school. Could you spare a couple of hours? Do you know someone who could spare a couple of hours? If so, please contact the school office and we can arrange this. Training would be provided about listening to children read and what to look out for, including questions to ask while children are reading. It would be lovely to have a few volunteers spread across the week so please get in touch if you can spare some time! Thank you!**

