Federation of Antrobus St Mark's and Great Budworth Primary Schools







Welcome Back

Happy New Year! This is my first newsletter as your new Acting Headteacher. I will be in school every day and on a Friday will be teaching in Class 3 (Foxes). Please do contact me via email or on the gate in the morning if I can help you in any way or if you'd just like to say a quick good morning that's fine too. I hope to be as accessible and as informative as I can as we work together to educate and nurture your child within our Great Budworth school family.

It has been an exciting start back and it has been fantastic to see how well the children have settled back into their learning following the Christmas holidays. On behalf of all of the staff team I would like to thank you for all of your kind cards and gifts. I hope everyone was able to enjoy a restful holiday with their families.

Best wishes,

Mrs R Corradine
Acting Head teacher

Attendance Matters

Regular attendance at school is very important for children to achieve the best they can. If children are absent from school, it not only affects their education but it also has a negative impact on them both socially and emotionally.

School tries to make sure that all our children attend every day. However, we cannot do this alone and need your help as parents to ensure your child has the best possible attendance they can have. Please note that I am unable to authorise absences for holidays taken outside of school holiday dates.

After School Clubs

Our enrichment curriculum for this half term is as follows:

Monday Card Club

Y6 SATs Maths

Booster

Tuesday

Wednesday Drama

Fencing

Thursday

Y6 SATs English

Booster

Please see an online safety parents' information sheet attached. For more information on this please visit thinkuknow.co.uk

Our Christian Value this half term is **Courage**; we shall be talking to the children about taking strength from God to help us to have courage when things are not easy. Please find a home school values sheet attached to see how you can support this value at home.

FOTS

Bags to School

"It is time to sort your old clothes ready to be recycled, and raise money for school at the same time".

The bags for school will be collecting on Thursday January 19^{th.} Bags to be dropped off at school on the morning of the 19th only.



<u>Fundraising update through December:</u>

The nativity/carol service raffles raised £255.58 Christmas Disco raised £266.23 which is fantastic! Thank you to everyone wo supported these events.



All money raised will go back into school and benefit the children. This year school are raising money to fund a reading shed, a place outside where children can go to read in peace and become lost in the world of books.

Finally, a big thanks for sponsorship for elf dash a gentle reminder for any remaining money to be paid either via the school office or through bank transfer to the FOTs account.

	Dates for your Diaries					
10.1.23	Forest Schools will restart with Mr A Holland. Please ensure pupils come to school dressed appropriately for being outdoors in all weathers.					
18.1.23	Sportshall athletics tournament Class 3 pupils					
19.1.23	Bags to school (drop off and collection today only)					
1.2.23	Young Voices Class 3 pupils					
3.2.23	NSPCC number day £1 'Dress in digits'					
16.2.23	Whole school cake sale to raise funds for the residentials					
	Led by school council					
	(Donations gratefully received)					
17.2.23	Modern Foreign Languages day.					
	£1 wear own clothes.					
17.2.23	School Closes for Half term and reopens on 27 th February					
2.3.23	World Book Day					
	This year our school theme is based on					
	DAY 'Everyone can be a Reader					
	Dress as your favourite book character					
	and share your favourite book					
	Stuck for ideas? Click on the link below to find recommended reads and the					
	top 25 picture books and books by age group.					
	Reading Recommendations (worldbookday.com)					
16.3.23	School Open Day 9:30-11:30 and 1:30-2:30					
	Please contact the office if you would be able to help us distribute leaflets to					
	local businesses, tots' groups, nurseries and homes.					
	If you know of any key places where we can focus our advertising, then					
	please do let us know as your input is valuable in spreading the word about					
	our wonderful little school.					
	FOTs Easter Events & date for our Easter Service - TBC					
31.3.23	School closes for Easter Break.					
	School Re-opens on 17 th April 2023					