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Friday 7th January 2022 XV

This Half Term's Value: Kindness

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to our first Newsletter of 2022!

I hope that you all managed some rest and recuperation; possibly some time catching up with family and friends too. I know that for

some it was not quite the Christmas they were expecting so for those of you to whom this applies, I hope that 2022 is treating you kindly so far!

Which brings me to this term's focus value; 'Kindness'. This half term we will be exploring the theme of Kindness and looking at ways we can extend this simple yet powerful act into the wider community.

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school – they have returned with enthusiasm and excitement and we are looking forward to the term ahead.

Please find attached the updated Diary Dates which hold the most recent information re. upcoming events and school dates.

Enjoy the weekend, until next week!

Mrs S. Henney

Attendance

This week's winners are Class 3!



<u>Class</u>	<u>This week</u>	Previous week
1	90.38%	96.92%
2	95.79%	94.80%
3	97.16%	100%
4	97.06%	96.43%
Whole School	95.54%	97.01%















This week's Star Pupils!

This week's pupils of the week are:

Nursery - JJ Cakau - He has focused well on his creative work this week.

<u>Class 1</u> – Edward Ritchings - For fantastic writing in Literacy and for coming back after Christmas with a determined attitude to learning!

<u>Class 2</u> – Reuben Saunderson - for working hard to improve his handwriting.

Class 3 – Jamie Hollins for a great attitude towards his work!

<u>Class 4</u> - Evie Hardy for working really hard in maths and showing great resilience and as a result making super progress. Well done Evie!

In other news

Class News ...

Class 2 have been ever so busy as we enter a new year! In Science we have been exploring materials; thinking about how we group materials, what their properties are and looking at what materials are used for different objects. This will come in handy as we start to design and build a cage for the grumpy lion in D&T. In English we have been studying the poem 'If I Had A Beak' and have learnt a new word, it begins with 'O'; perhaps you could test us and see if we remember it?!

Answer at the bottom of the Newsletter!

Book Fest

Both Moreton Say and Adderley are shortly to be involved in an exciting literary project 'Shrewsbury Bookfest'. The project is designed to inspire our young readers to further develop a love and enthusiasm for reading; exposing readers to a wealth of exciting and enriching reading and activities. There are 43 schools across Shropshire Participating this year, making this year the most wide-reaching project EVER! Nearly 3,000 children from across these 43 Shropshire primary schools will be reading, reviewing, discussing and voting for their favourite books. We will keep you updated following our launch

Please see the attached flyer for further details!

Catering

As you will be aware the country is currently experiencing a significant level of disruption to staffing availability due to the number of people having to self-isolate as a result of Covid related issues.

Shire Services, our catering providers, have informed us that they have seen a fourfold increase in the number of Covid related absences since the New Year compared to last term, which, they inform us, is putting the service under significant strain.















They have now implemented their Business Continuity arrangements and are continuing to work with the Council and other partners to ensure that they can continue to provide catering services to schools. This includes using head office staff and managers to help to support service delivery in schools.

Unfortunately, however, due to the unprecedented levels of absences that they are currently experiencing they have made us aware that it may be necessary to change menus and reduce menu options at short notice to reflect staffing levels. Where this is happening, they will do their utmost to make sure we are aware of any changes at the earliest possible time.

It is therefore necessary to inform you that in extreme situations it may be necessary to transport a meal into school from another kitchen, or to provide meals for those pupils entitled to free school meals only, asking pupils who would normally pay for meals to bring a packed lunch from home. In these situations, you will of course be made aware as soon as this decision is made.

Shire Service's aim is to continue to provide a hot meal in all schools, however, given the level of absences that they are currently experiencing this may not be possible in a small number of schools if the situation continues to deteriorate.

Shire Services would like to offer their sincere apologies for this interruption to service, but express that hopefully, in the not too distant future, staff absences will return to more normal levels and therefore avoid further negative impact on service delivery.

Understanding your Child

There are still have some places left on the 'Understanding Your Child' & 'SEND' groups starting in a couple of weeks' time. Further information can be found on the posters or by contacting the Parenting Team (parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or 01743250950)

Deadline to book a place is 14th January. Please see flyer attachment.

And finally

Congratulations to **Rupert Staley** in Class 3 who has just passed his Taekwondo exam. Rupert was examined by 2 independent judges in order to be awarded. He was examined on his knowledge of Taekwondo movements. Well done Rupert we are all enormously proud of you!

Answer: Onomatopoeia















Moreton Say Diary Dates 2021 – 2022



JANUARY - Happy New Year!!

Tuesday 4th January - Children return to School/Nursery
W/C 10th January - School clubs commence - full details to follow
Monday 10th January- F1 Club 3.15-4.30pm Y5 & Y6 only (weekly)
Thursday 13th January- Music Club KS2 1.35-1.00pm (Lunchtime - weekly)
Friday 14th January - Choir Club 12.30-1pm (Lunchtime - Weekly)

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 16th February - Tempest Photography – Individual school photographs
Thursday 17th February - Break up for spring half term
Friday 18th February - PD Day - School closed

















COVID-19 statistics 24-30 Dec 2021 (figures are not being reported for 17-23 Dec 2021, and are not included)









