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Dear Parents / Carers

16<sup>th</sup> October 2015

**Congratulations to our Gold Star Children this week who are:**

Reception: Kaiden for trying so hard in phonics and writing his name.

Y1: Maizee-Jai for starting to write sentences independently.

Y2: Kacper for wonderful use of adjectives in poetry.

Y3: Jan for excellent progress in French.

Y4: Daniel for excellent work all week with brilliant results! Thursday in particular, producing fantastically presented topic work.

Y5: Lottie for an excellent recital of a poem learnt off by heart.

Y6: Ellie for an excellent effort in her latest writing assessment. She correctly used all of the features of a biography.

**Phonics**: thank you to the parents who attended this meeting. The booklet and the power-point will soon be in the Parent Information section of the school website.

**Parents' Evening for Y1 to Y6**: will be held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October from 3.30pm to 5.30pm and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October from 5pm to 7pm. You will have received an appointment.

**Reception class**: are not included in this parents' evening, but will be invited to a "Play and Stay" after half term.

**Toys in school**: a few children have taken to bringing small toys into school – cars, plastic figures etc. This is wasting valuable teaching time dealing with problems over which toy belongs to which child; children complaining about damaged toys etc. Children must not bring toys into school. They have equipment to use at lunchtimes, when learning to share, take turns and to co-operate with each other are important aspects of their development. Any toys brought in will be taken from the child and only returned at home time.

**Book Club**: all orders must be given to Mrs Clews by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2015.

**Harvest Appeal**: we have received a lovely certificate from the Food Bank, thanking us for donating 178.5 kilograms of food. This will provide enough food for three days for nine families of four people. Thank you all for your generosity.

**Shoe Box Appeal**: Mrs Harris is now collecting gift-filled shoe boxes as part of Operation Christmas Child. Each shoe box will be hand delivered to a child in need, asking nothing from them in return. All boxes are given to the neediest children regardless of nationality, political background or religious beliefs. Last year we received 56 shoe boxes – can we match this, or even do better this year?

**National Child Weight Measurement Programme**: Reception children and Year 6 will be weighed and measured in school by the School Nurse within the next few weeks. Parents of these children will shortly be receiving a letter informing them of the process. Public Health want to make sure that they have the correct address details for your child. Therefore can you please let the school know if you do not receive the letter in the next 2 weeks? Result letters will be sent to the home address.

**Half term**: the school closes for half term on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 3.15pm. Please remember that the afternoon register is taken at the end of the day on a Friday, so any child being collected early will not receive the afternoon attendance mark. School opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.55am.

**After school clubs**: have finished for this half term.

Have a good week.

**S. M. Mason**

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