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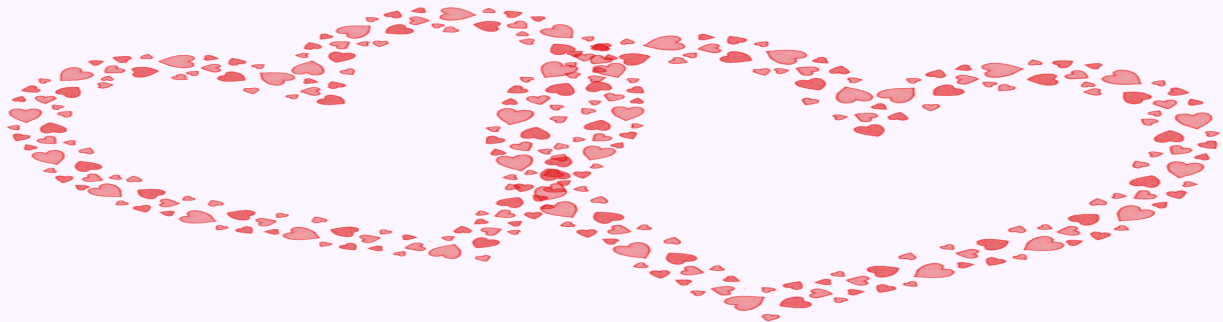
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Dear Parents,

With January behind us 2020 is well and truly here. In school Mrs Albert and Miss Celebicanin have been working really hard at introducing and embedding what we know to be effective literacy strategies. These include No Nonsense Spellings, Reading Ambassadors, promoting reading for pleasure, new Big Cat reading scheme and lots of training for teachers. Training has been strengthened by our Literacy Leaders sourcing and sharing the most effective teaching and learning methods to ensure children achieve the very best outcomes possible. Miss Celebicanin and Mrs Albert will be monitoring lessons, books and talking to children and staff about the effectiveness of actions. Parents have been or will be invited into school to be able to find out more. We had a fabulous turn out for our Year 1 phonic morning, 20 parents attended. We look forward to seeing parents at our Year 2 and Year 6 sessions.

We have been working on our curriculum map, this is shared on our website, Mr Clarke our Senior Education Advisor from Greenwood Academy Trust, has been supporting us to make sure we have breadth, depth and a clear progression of skills. We believe we have a strong curriculum map, OFSTED agreed, however if we need to make a few tweaks we will keep you up to date with any changes.

Our hall theme for this term is Music. In school we use Charanga as our music scheme. Each class has chosen either a piece of music or a song and have used cross curricular links in art, writing, IT research as well as music to produce a display. Each display will have a QR code, this will enable children to be able to listen to the music. Ask your children about the music from their class. The displays look amazing and showcase the high standards of work our children produce. Work from the displays will contribute towards the Arts Mark. Mrs Morgan is the Academy Music Coordinator. Mrs Morgan has also created a new display in the hall which captures information on a famous composer. Music composed by the composer will be played whilst children come into the hall for assemblies. The Academy Choir will be singing songs from 'Joseph' at the Cube, this will be a joint production with other Greenwood Academies. Parents of children taking part will be able to attend. Later in the academic year children in Year 4 will be learning how to play a musical instrument, drumming, as part of the Local Authority music offer.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Inga Bain (Principal)

Dates for the Diary

We will be sharing dates in the diary on our website in 'calendar' and also on What's On? We share lots of events and information on our Twitter page. Please follow us.

February 3rd National Story Telling Week

February 6th Reception and Year 6 Health Screening

February 7th Number Day (NSPCC)

February Chinese New Year

February 10th Mental Health Awareness Week

February 10th February YR 2 Parent Model Making Session and Award Presentation

February 11th Safer Internet Day

February 12th Class Photographs

February 14th Year 4 Parents Afternoon Tea

February 14th Valentine's Day

February 14th End of Term - Academy Closes

Class Assemblies, Fridays at 9.00 a.m., parents will be invited to attend their child's class assembly. Other parents will be invited if their child is receiving an award.

Friday 7th February Year 3 Assembly

Friday 14th February End of Term Assembly whole school/Award



NSPCC Number Day

A letter has been sent home sharing information on the NSPCC number day planned for Friday 7th February. Children can wear a top with something number or maths related on. All money received will be given to the NSPCC.

Kingswood Catering Special Lunches

We are really excited to share that there will be a special lunches on 5th March - World Book Day, 23rd April - St Georges Day and 21st May Census Day. Kingswood Caterers will have more information on their website. Children who have ordered a lunch on these days will have their names entered into a special prize draw. They might be lucky enough to win a Gruffalo Cook Book, Family ticket for entry to Warwick Castle and Vouchers for Jurassic Grill in Kettering.

Look out for more feature lunches from Kingswood.

Please check to see if you are eligible for free school meals.

Reading

As always we are promoting reading. We are asking children to send in a book selfie! These can be sent straight through to our admin email. Once your child has finished reading a book please ask them to take a selfie holding the book so that we can see the title. The selfie pictures will be added to a class reading profile. It will capture the amazing amount of reading that happens at home as well as in school. If children would like to write a short review that would be really helpful. Do they recommend it to others? If so, why? They can't simply say 'It was good' they have to give a reason for their recommendation. CBBC have a selfie page and this is an example taken from there - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/cbbc-book-club-selfies-gallery>



Please start sending as soon as possible.