Friars Primary Foundation School

Dates for Autumn term

New items in red

Newsletter

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Parent consultations:

Thank you to all the parents who have returned their parent consultation request slips for the week beginning November 23rd. A further letter went out last week with your actual appointment times. As you know, this year, we have to do all the appointments by phone. Please remember: a. each appointment is strictly for 10 minutes only, b. to have your phone nearby at the time of the appointment and c. that if the teacher is using their own phone it will appear as "no caller ID" on your phone.

Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th November — Autumn term parent consultations by phone Week beginning 7th December— class Christmas performances to be filmed and put on Google classroom

Friday 11th December—children's Christmas lunch

Friday 18th December—last day of Autumn 2.

Tuesday 5th January 2021—first day of Spring term for children

Anti bullying week:

We have focused on anti bullying this week. All children had an in class assembly and they all took part in activities produced by the anti bullying alliance around this year's theme of "United against bullying". Please have a look at page 2 for some examples of the work done

Gentle Covid safe reminders:

- Please remember that all parents must wear a face covering if they come into the building even if it is only for a short while and that we have a strict 1 in 1 out policy.
- Whilst we appreciate we all need to feel connected in these troubled times we must ask parents to
 not congregate in groups at the front of the school particularly once you have collected your children. We say this purely in the spirit of us all taking responsibility to prevent the chance of coronavirus spreading and not because we want to dictate to parents who they communicate with!

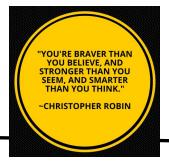
Welcome video:

As we are unable to give tours of the school for prospective parents who's children could come to us in Nursery and Reception in September 2021, we have put together a video tour. It is on the home page and the admissions page of our website. We hope you all enjoy it! To all prospective parents (including existing Nursery parents who will need to apply to join Reception) please remember the deadline is January 15th 2021 and information can be accessed through the following link:



http://friarsprimary school.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Applying-for-Primary-School-Brochure-2021-22.pdf

Thought for the week:



Have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,

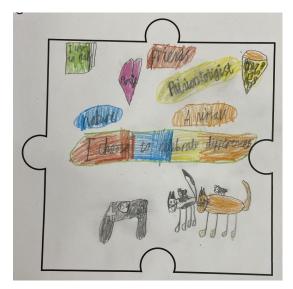
J. Burtt, Executive Headteacher:

Children's learning at Friars:

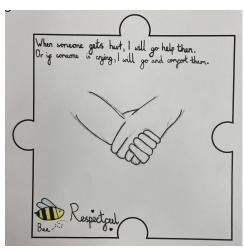
Anti bullying week focussed this year on uniting against bullying i.e. acting together to eradicate it. During our taught sessions we asked the children to think about what makes them unique. They wrote words and drew symbols that represent their individuality. We explained that we are all unique, and by uniting, it doesn't take that away from us, it simply makes us stronger. We have more power to overcome injustice and adversity when we join together. We asked the children to think back to an activity on what they would choose to do to take a stand against bullying. In the centre of the puzzle piece, children wrote down their actions and then designed their puzzle piece in their own unique way that celebrates who they are. We hope you enjoy the selection of

puzzle pieces from Year 5 below:



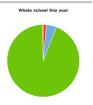






Attendance:

Attendance for the whole school this year so far is **94.86%.** This is another improvement on the last week which is fantastic! Well done yet again to Y3 who are still currently the best attending class with an impressive and improving 97.83% attendance so far!



The green section of the pie chart shows the percentage of children who are in school.

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Stars of the week



EYFS / Y1—Y3

Y3—Max

For working hard and making excellent progress in reading

Y4-6

Y6—Akhmed

For continued hard work and perseverance over the last few weeks in reading leading to notable progress

Well done!

Values stars

Compassion

Tara Y5

Creativity

Eva Y6

Endeavour

Zaynab Y1

Resilience

Ariana Y2

Respect

Shalom Y3

Responsibility

Hawra Y4

Well done!

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Commitment to keeping children safe:
Paper copies of our safeguarding policy
are available for parents from the school
office. It is also posted on the policies section of the website.

Our focus value for this half term:

Resilience

Achieving excellence in a happy, nurturing and safe environment

Compassion, Creativity, Endeavour, Resilience, Respect, Responsibility