



Dear Parents,

Learning



This week we have concluded our mini-topic for all classes based on the Oliver Jeffers book 'Here We Are'. All classes have been thinking about the themes of kindness; similarities and differences and new starts that can be drawn out from the book and linking this to the value of resilience. We have all been working hard on independent writing. During Celebration

Assembly on Friday, we enjoyed sharing some excellent examples of writing from each class, especially Oliver from Polar Bears; Henry and Etta from Leopards Class; Ava B-W and Chloe from White Tigers and also Vaughan and Caitlin from Pandas class. We have been enjoying seeing how we can improve our writing through redrafting, showing our resilience by being willing to go back and improve bits we are not entirely happy with.



Next week each class will begin their main project for the term. Polar Bears essential question is 'Did Neil Armstrong Change the World?' they will be studying space, the planet and the moon.

The Leopards class question for the term will be, 'Does Chocolate Grow on Trees' they will be reading 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and studying where and how chocolate is grown and linking this to fair trade. All of our project links to one of the United Nations 17 Global Goals of Sustainability so that project has global learning links. The Polar Bears link will be with Goal 10 – Reduced Inequalities; the Leopards link will be with Goal 8 – Decent Work for All.

The White Tigers project is called, 'Are all battles won on the battlefield?' linking with Goal 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions. They will be studying World War 2, the Battle of Britain and studying the book 'Letters from the Lighthouse'. The Pandas class project is called, 'How do Species Adapt?'. They will be studying Darwin, the Galapagos Islands and looking at adaptation as part of their science learning. The links will be with the Goal 13 – 'Climate Action' and 15 – 'Life on Land'. Their project builds towards a photographic exhibition by the end of the term.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

SEPTEMBER

25th Sept – Non-Verbal Reasoning 11+

Week beg 21st Sept – Music lessons start

OCTOBER

1st Oct – National Poetry Day

2nd Oct – World Rainbow Day

21st Oct – Flu Vaccination

22nd Oct – end of half term

23rd Oct – INSET (staff training)

26th – 30th Oct – half term

NOVEMBER

Week beg 16th Nov – Anti-Bullying Week

DECEMBER

17th Dec – end of term

18th Dec – INSET (staff training)

JANUARY

4th Jan – start of term

FEBRUARY

15th – 19th Feb – half term

MARCH

31st March – end of term

APRIL

1st April – INSET (staff training)

19th April – start of term

MAY

Week beg 10th May – Y6 SATs & Christian Aid Week

26th-28th May – Year 5/6 Residential

31st May – 4th June – half term

JUNE

7th June – start of term

JULY

21st July – end of term

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Coleby Primary

We have been collecting 20ps this week and last week to show our support for our friends at Coleby Primary who very sadly had a fire in their building over the summer break. The classes have been competing to see who can bring in the most. They were very excited as we revealed the final scores in Celebration Assembly on Friday. The winning class was Leopards with 142 20ps which is amazing as they are one of the smaller classes. White Tigers had 116; Polar Bears had 51 and Pandas had 85. Altogether we collected an amazing £78.80 which I will give to Coleby Primary for them to use to replace some of the things they have sadly lost. We think it is an important part of our Christian ethos that children learn to support others who have had a difficult time. Thank you for helping the children to understand this.

Music Lessons

As you know, music lessons are restarting this week. Some of the music teachers have changed their days this year. Brass, woodwind and strings are all taking place on Tuesday. Piano will continue on Thursdays as last year. Unfortunately, at the moment, there will be no orchestra as we cannot mix children from different bubbles.

Coronavirus

Below is a useful link on the BBC News site outlining the main differences between common colds and coronavirus.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-54145299>

We know this is difficult at the moment as children back in school are suddenly exposed to all sorts of germs and it is hard to distinguish between a cold and something more serious. We have a hand held thermometer in school now to take temperatures of any child we suspect may have symptoms. Attached is also a guide to pupil absence in the case of illness which you will find useful.

Parents' Evening

We are currently planning on holding two parents' evenings towards the end of this half term. These will probably be via Zoom, dates and more details will be confirmed next week.

Music Mark

School has once again been awarded the Music Mark, recognising our commitment to music education over the past year. We are very proud of this and grateful to the Lincolnshire Music Service, teaching staff, Mrs Smart and parents who support this vital part of our school.

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Open Days and Taster Days for Secondary Schools

Carre's Grammar School (boys) and Kesteven and Sleaford High School (girls) have sent details of their Open Days for this academic year which may be of interest to Year 5 parents whose children are planning on sitting the 11+ exam September 2021 and to Year 6 parents who are currently sitting the 11+.

Year 5 Taster Days: Carre's Grammar and Kesteven and Sleaford High – Tuesday 15th or Thursday 17th June 2021.

Carre's Grammar School Open Days: Year 6 – Monday 12th – Friday 16th October (tours by appointment)

Year 5 – Wednesday 7th July 2021

Kesteven & Sleaford High School: Year 6 – Monday 12th – Friday 16th October (tours by appointment)

Year 5 – Thursday 1st July 2021

New Intake Evening (for Year 6 pupils accepted for entry into Year 7 in September 2021)

Carre's Grammar: Monday 21st July 2021

Kesteven & Sleaford High School: Thursday 24th June 2021

New Intake Day (for Year 6 pupils accepted for entry into Year 7 in September 2021)

Carre's Grammar School /
Kesteven & Sleaford High School: Friday 25th June 2021

Hot School Meals

We are currently in discussion with Primary Lunches who provide our hot meals to agree a starting date to return to hot school lunches for those who require them. The choice may be reduced from what we had been hoping to offer this year to one hot meal or a jacket potato with filling. We are hoping to be able to provide this in a couple of weeks, further details will follow.

Reading Books

A reminder that following the Parentmail last week, reading diaries remain in school. Book change day for White Tigers and Pandas is Fridays only. Polar Bears and Leopards are asked to return books on a Friday with new ones given out on a Monday. For those White Tigers and Pandas who were able to access Accelerated Reader from home during lockdown, this facility was only available while children couldn't be in school and is now no longer possible. All quizzes can be completed in school.

Many thanks for your continued support.