

The Mayor Visits Springwood

We were really excited to welcome the Mayor of Barnsley, Councillor Linda Burgess, to school this morning. During her visit, Madam Mayor presented badges to our new School Council and spoke to the children in assembly. She then toured the school so that each class could ask her some questions. The children had some excellent questions about the role of the Mayor, the robes and chain, how to become the Mayor and what it is like to be Mayor.

The School Council representatives for each class for this academic year are:

- Listening Leopards Ellie-May Doughty & Lucas Wigley
- Reflective, Revising Falcons Megan Bennett & Charlie Oldfield
- Persevering Penguins Kyle Bacon & Jessica Whittaker
- **Distilling Dragons** Jessica Berry & Toby Crowcroft



The Reasoning Raccoons do not have elected representatives at the moment but they will have a link representative from the school Council who will update them on discussions and represent their views.

The School Council will meet on a regular basis with Mrs Parker to discuss a range of aspects of school life.

Monday 12th September 2016

Autumn Term 1

Week 2

Golden Rules

Our focus Golden Rule this week is:

Be Kind & Sensible

Learning Behaviours

Our focus learning behaviour this week is:

Perseverance

Attendance

Our Attendance Target for the year is 96%. The winners of our Weekly Attendance Award for last week are the Distilling Dragons with a class attendance of 99.5%. A special mention must also be given to the Reasoning Raccoons whose attendance for their first ever week in school was 99.4%. Well done Dragons & Raccoons!

School Photos

The photographers will be in school this Wednesday (14th September) to take individual photos of all of the children. The children as a whole across school continue to look very smart in their uniform so we are looking forward to seeing some fantastic photos. Photo proofs will be sent home and you will then be able to order copies of the photos.

Jeans for Genes-Reminder

Just a quick reminder that next Friday (23rd September) is Jeans for Genes Day. This is a charity event which raises money to support research into genetic disorders which affect around 1 in every 25 people. This is a very worthwhile cause and we hope that you will support this event by wearing jeans or denim to school on this day. A small donation would be great but this is entirely voluntary. If you would like to find out more about Jeans for Genes Day, please visit their website: www.jeansforgenesday.org

Summer Reading Challenge

A number of family members mentioned that the children who have completed their Summer Reading Challenge through Hoyland Library have not received their certificates and medals and would not do so until 19th September. I contacted the library to see whether it would be possible for the children to have these in time for a presentation assembly on Roald Dahl Day but unfortunately the library were not able to permit this. We have therefore postponed the presentations in school and will present the awards to the children in our Celebration Assembly on Friday 23rd September. If your child has completed the challenge, please would you let the school office know this week so that we can make sure that we have enough rewards from school. Certificates and medals should be brought to school on Thursday 22nd September please.

Key Dates this Half Term

Wednesday 14th September- Individual Photos

Friday 23rd September - Jeans for Genes Day (non uniform)

Friday 23rd September - Presentation of Summer Reading Challenge Awards in Celebration Assembly

Friday 30th September - Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thursday 6th October—Leopards & Raccoons perform their Harvest performance for parents (time TBC)

Wednesday 12th October - Parents' Evening (2.30—7pm)

Friday 14th October - INSET Day

