



Coniston Primary School Newsletter

9th November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2. Half term already feels a long time ago and I can't believe it's only 6 more weeks until Christmas!!

Thank you to all of those of you who attended parents evening this week. We hope you found the opportunity to see your children's work and speak to the class teachers about how they have settled into their new classes helpful and informative.

Diwali Festival:

I am sure those of you who attended Tuesday evening's lantern parade and Diwali festival will agree with me in what a hugely enjoyable and successful community event this was. Lots of children have been telling me how much they loved participating in the Indian dancing demonstrations, henna painting and the very noisy lantern parade!! The food was also delicious. I would like to thank Southern Brooks, Patchway Festival and the Avon Indian Association for working in collaboration with us on this.



Lifeskills Visit:

On Tuesday, Y6 visited the Lifeskills Centre. This is what they had to say about it ...

"My favourite part was when we went in the houses because we had to spot the hazards for babies." Megan

"During our visit we learnt how to stay safe in a variety of different situations and how to keep people safe when danger is lurking nearby." Efe

"My favourite part was the dark alley because this was the first time I had ever been scared of something that wasn't real!" Josh

"We practiced making real 999 calls to the police, fire and ambulance." Lia

"My favourite bit was the fire because it made me and Wiktorija jump!" Bethany

Anti-Bullying Week:

Next week we are marking national anti-bullying week through whole school assemblies, class based learning and ... inviting children to celebrate difference and diversity by wearing odd socks on Monday 12th November. Be as creative with this as you want!! The national theme for anti-bullying week this year is 'Choose Respect'.

Children in Need:

Next Friday, 16th November, is Children in Need Day. We are asking for children to bring in a small donation in exchange for wearing something spotty for the day. There will also be a cake sale after school in the meeting room; please bring any cake donations in on Friday morning. Thank you in advance for your support with these events.



"working together we can succeed"

Attendance

This week's attendance figures are:

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 91% | 96% | 92.9% | 90.8% | 94.8% | 92.4% | 93.5% |

Well done to Year 1 with 96% attendance. The overall attendance this week was 93.1%. This is well below our target of 95.5%. Let's see an improvement next week!

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| 7 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 11 | 4 | 2 |

This week's lateness totals are:

Well done to Year 1 again with perfect punctuality. Please help your class to win an attendance award by being in school every day **on time**.

| | Writer of the Week | Mathematician of the Week | Coniston Learning Champion |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Reception | <i>Ava</i> | <i>Elijah</i> | <i>Bodie</i> |
| Year 1 | <i>Harry</i> | <i>Lily-May</i> | <i>Hope</i> |
| Year 2 | <i>Francisco</i> | <i>Maize</i> | <i>Sara</i> |
| Year 3 | <i>Jenson</i> | <i>Freya</i> | <i>Rhys</i> |
| Year 4 | <i>Brooke</i> | <i>Teigan</i> | <i>Ellie</i> |
| Year 5 | <i>Ruby-May</i> | <i>Reuben</i> | <i>Aniela</i> |
| Year 6 | <i>Giovanna</i> | <i>Charlie</i> | <i>Evan</i> |

Key Dates (new events highlighted in green)

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| Monday 12th November— Odd Socks Day to mark the start of Anti-bullying Week | Wednesday 19th December- 9.30am KS1 Nativity Wednesday 19th December pm—KS1 Christmas Party |
| Friday 16th November— Children in Need non-uniform day and cake sale. | Thursday 20th December - 9.30am—KS2 Christmas Carol Service (repeated at 6pm) |
| Monday 17th December—2.15pm KS1 Nativity Tuesday 18th December—Christmas Lunch | Friday 21st December pm—KS2 Christmas Party |

A massive congratulations to this week's Coniston Value Star Trophy winners, Layla-Marie in Year 4 and Nadia in Year 2 for demonstrating the Term 2 value of aspiration. Please remember to bring the trophies back next Thursday so that they are ready to go out to the next winners!!
Sue Lock, Headteacher

