Leeds and Broomfield C of E Primary School

Many Hands Build a House, Many Hearts Make a School

(Matthew 7:24-27 : The Wise and Foolish Builders)

Resilience, Curiosity, Honesty, Respect, Empathy

NEWSLETTER 08—Friday 23rd October 2026



As many hands build a house; many hearts make a school.

This week we have been discussing act of kindness.

What act of kindness can you show to someone this weekend?

Hedgehogs - We have been completing our work on The Great Fire of London looking at where it happened and why it happened. We made our own houses and then recreated the fire out on the playground!

Foxes— What a wonderful term we've had! From becoming authors in English and exploring Ancient Egypt in History, to planting sunflowers in Science and tackling addition and subtraction in Maths, the children have learnt so much already! I'm proud of how hard everyone has worked, the confidence they've gained and the kindness they've shown one another. It's been lovely watching Foxes grow and achieve so much in just one term. I can't wait for more exciting learning adventures next term!

Squirrels - We can't quite believe that we're at the end of term one already. It's just flown by and we have continued with our amazing learning this week by publishing our non- chronological reports on Howard Carter as well as creating illustrations for our stories we wrote earlier this term. Well done Squirrels! You have had a great first term!

Badgers - This week has signalled the end of a fantastic opening term. This week all the children have produced fantastic Big Writes and also demonstrated the terms leaning in great Science and History assessments. We have also focused on our SPAG this week, going through papers in class, all improving on our original marks from the opening week.

After School Club—At After School Club, we've enjoyed trying out the new soft play area and swing, decorating biscuits and celebrating a birthday with a party!

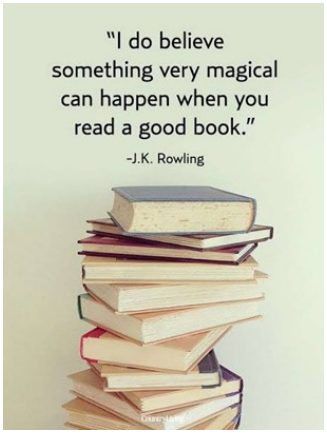
Term Starts on Monday 2nd November

Weekly Reading Challenge T2

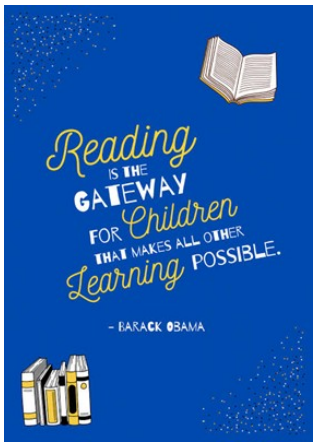
We are going to continue with our reading challenge for term 2.

Top 5 readers each week will get extra playtime.

Top 5 readers of the term will be a non-school uniform day and Christmas baking with Mrs Steer.



Everyone get involved. If you missed out last term - now is another chance!



Christian Vision and Values

Hedgehogs— Theo (Empathy & Respect)

Foxes— Arthur (Respect)

Squirrels— Storm and Karis (Respect)

Badgers — Emma (Kindness & Respect)



Hedgehogs— Bobbie

Foxes— Solomiia

Squirrels— Jacob

Badgers— Lilly



The Department for Education is keen to improve the attendance of all children across the country, and attendance was flagged as an area that needs improvement in our last Ofsted report.

It is the responsibility of the Parents / Carers to ensure that their child attends school on a regular basis and to ensure that the school is kept informed of all absences.

If your child is going to be absent from school you need to notify the school by 9:30am. This is part of our safeguarding procedures. If you do not contact the school by this time then Mrs Foster will contact you to find out why your child is absent. On the second day of the absence a member of staff from your child's class will contact you to see how your child is and to discuss the learning that has been missed. If your child is absent for a third day then Mrs Steer, Head of School, will contact you.

If your child is feeling "under the weather" they can be sent to school and we are able to give them calpol / ibuprofen with your permission.

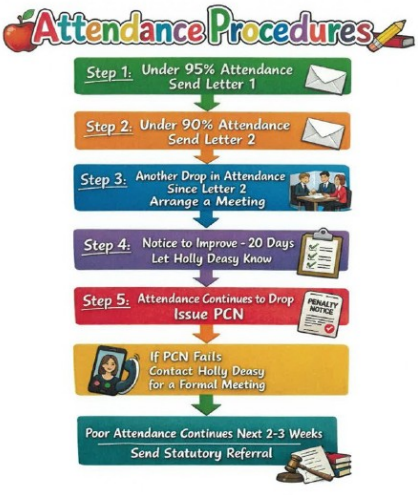
If we do not hear from you with a reason for your child's absence it will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

Every three weeks we do an attendance run where we are looking at absences. If your child's attendance is below 97% you will receive a letter from the school about this. .If at the next attendance run your child's attendance has continued to decline you will be invited into school to have a meeting with Mrs Steer about this. Your child will then enter a monitoring period of 20 school days. If their attendance does not improve in this time a referral will be made to the Kent Attendance team, if the absences are unauthorised absences a Penalty notice will be requested.

If your child is absent from school for 10 sessions (5 days) because they are on holiday a penalty notice will be requested. If a child has 10 unauthorsied absences within a 10 school week period a penalty notice will be requested.

If a child misses 30 sessions of school because of illness during the course of the year we have to notify the local authority.

These are the procedures that we are required to follow from the Local Authority.



Holly Deasy is the KCC Attendance Officer for this area.



Future Dates:

Monday 2nd November—Start of Term 2

Thursday 5th November—Year 3 swimming starts

Friday 6th November—Remembrance Service in Church at 9am—all are welcome

Friday 6th November—Resilience Workshop—2:15—3:15pm



Tuesday 10th November—Sponsored walk to Leeds Castle at 9am

Friday 20th November—Years R & 6 National Child Measurement Programme

Friday 27th November—KS2 Carolathon at Fremlin Walk

Wednesday 16th December—Christmas Lunch

Thursday 17th December—Christingle Service in the Church at 9am—all are welcome

Friday 18th December—Term 2 ends

School Tours for prospective Reception for admission September 2027

Wednesday 4th November @ 1:30pm

Friday 20th November @ 2pm

Tuesday 24th November @ 1:30pm



Productions this Academic Year:

Christmas—Hedgehogs Class—in the Church

Easter—Foxes Class—in the Church—new for this year

Summer—Squirrels and Badgers—in the Village Hall

Dates to be announced nearer the time of each production

All parents / Carers are welcome to the celebration worships in the church on Fridays.