



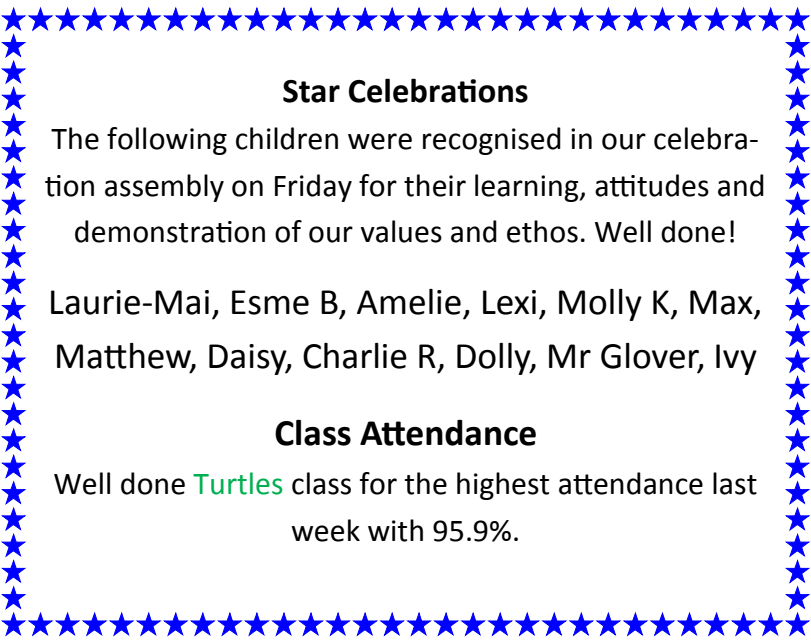
School Newsletter

Monday 24th September 2018

It has been really wonderful to talk to so many children about how they are settling into their new classes. The responses have all been extremely positive. Several children have commented on the raised expectations—and they are rising to the challenge! You will be aware, that the raising of expectations is a whole school focus in order to ensure that children are able to achieve the academic standards they are really capable of. It is a delight to hear the children recognising that the expectations are higher and to celebrate achievements, particularly in relation to the positive attitude, effort and determination they are employing in order to meet these raised expectations.

Thank you to all those who attended the 'Welcome to your new class' sessions. We hope you found it useful. Class letters have also now gone home; please speak to the office if you have not received a copy. Several parents asked about recommended reading lists for each year group. There are many lists available and we are looking into which we will adopt. We plan to share this when we celebrate the use of the Lobster Room/Library.

Laura Cornish



Star Celebrations

The following children were recognised in our celebration assembly on Friday for their learning, attitudes and demonstration of our values and ethos. Well done!

Laurie-Mai, Esme B, Amelie, Lexi, Molly K, Max, Matthew, Daisy, Charlie R, Dolly, Mr Glover, Ivy

Class Attendance

Well done **Turtles** class for the highest attendance last week with 95.9%.

Harvest

We will be celebrating Harvest on Friday 5th October. The children will lead assemblies at 9am and 2:30pm; this will be the same assembly but is being conducted twice in order to keep safe numbers in the hall. Parents of children in Starfish and Seahorses are invited to come at 9am, with parents of children in Dolphins, Turtles and Sharks invited to come at 2:30. As part of our celebrations, we are doing a collection for LymeForward foodbank. Any non-perishable food items can be donated via your child's classroom.

Whole school attendance last week:

93.9%

Government expectation: 96%
Persistent absentee: below 90%



Pond Area

As you will have noticed, our pond area has been completely overhauled and we now have a beautiful ornamental pond area we can use! A big thank you to Maria Tritton and NISA for the funds and project management and to the parents who cleared the area and have committed to continuing to support with the maintenance of the area. With much excitement, every class has now visited the pond area.



Key Dates

Thursday 27th September—Woodroffe Open Day
Friday 5th October—Harvest Assembly—9am (EYFS and KS1) and 2:45 (KS2)
TBC—end of topic assembly
22nd –26th October—half term
Thursday 20th December—last day of term
Friday 21st December—INSET

PTA

Wednesday 26th September—3.30-4.15 parent meeting, all welcome
Thursday 18th October—Halloween Disco at Manor Farm, Charmouth



In commemoration of WW1 Lyme Regis Town Council are offering all our children the chance to grow their own poppies from seed at home. These have been given out to the children today. At a later date a bake-off will be held to see which family can make the best Trench Cake. Recipes for this will also come home with the children, there is no date yet for submission but considering these cakes were made and then sent across the Channel to the Battle Fields perhaps early baking will give your cake a more authentic look?!



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