

## Ardeley St Lawrence C of E Primary School

## **Newsletter**

19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your generous donations for Bags 2 School - there was a substantial pile collected on Monday!

It is this time of year when we present our leadership and responsibility awards to the UKS2 children. Traditionally schools have Head Boy/Head Girl awards; however we wish to be able to respond to our different sized year groups. This year we have decided therefore to have a Head Prefect and Deputy Prefect. These roles will go to the children we feel show that extra level of responsibility around school and demonstrate our Ardeley values.

They are: Head Prefect Jack

Deputy Prefect Vishnu

We are very proud of them. Other UKS2 children will be asked to take on monitor responsibilities.

Well done to the following children who have been awarded Merit Certificates this week:

ORANGE: Liana, Tobie, Lenny, Maddie

YELLOW: Loren

Attendance last week was 96% but we seem to have a bug currently spreading quickly in school. We have taken various precautions to try to reduce the spread such as disinfecting tables and door handles, replacing hand towels with paper towels and replacing our soaps with antibacterial hand wash. However these precautions will not help if children are sent into school when they have been sick. Please remember that children <u>must not</u> be in school for 48 hours after the last time they have been sick - to reduce the spread of infectious illnesses. I appreciate that this is difficult for working parents, most of the staff here have children too and have to juggle the parent and working roles; however I would ask for your support in this matter.

Parent Consultations are next week. We are hoping that all the booking glitches have been ironed out! Consultations will take place in the hall and a bell will ring to indicate the start and end of each consultation. Please help us to stay to time - if you feel you need a additional time a separate appointment can be made.

Finally, our Open Morning is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November when the school will be open for any parents who may be thinking of sending their child to us in September 2019. You are welcome to look around for sibling admissions. Please also spread the word if you know someone looking for a school place; you are our best advert. The Open morning will run between 9.30 and 11.30am and our admissions arrangements are available on our school website.

With kind regards, Mrs Connolly







## **Autumn Diary Dates**

Tuesday 23 October Parent Consultations

Wednesday 24 October Parent Consultations

Friday 26 October INSET day

Monday 29 October to Friday 2 November Half Term

Tuesday 13 November 9.30 - 11.30am Open Morning

Friday 16 November Children in Need

Friday 7 December - after School Christmas Craft Fair

Tuesday 11 December 2.00pm Nativity Matinee

Wednesday 12 December 1.30pm Children collected early

6.30pm Nativity Evening Performance

\*After school club will not run this evening\*

Friday 21 December 2.00pm End of Term

Please help the school and residents by arriving no earlier than 8.40am (gates open at 8.45am), parking considerately and not blocking resident's drives. If you arrive earlier than 8.40am could I suggest parking down the lane, by the pond or on the gravel hard standing between the school and the farm, and then joining the free flow drop off system when it starts. Thank you.