



Ardeley St Lawrence C of E Primary School

## Newsletter

25<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents,

I'm writing an early newsletter this week as we have INSET tomorrow. We have had a great half term; the children have impressed me so much. They have settled into their new classes and are taking their learning in their stride. Our mental wellbeing curriculum is working very well, with children having really sensitive discussions about feelings and how to manage them. Miss Honey has adjusted well to life in school. She is a popular addition and I know has made a direct difference to many children.

Yesterday the local PSCO came to talk to children about how to stay safe on the roads and I have spoken to them today about staying safe over Halloween and Bonfire Night, should they be taking part.

Thank you for coming along to the parent consultations this week. The evenings were very positive and, I hope, helpful.

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

RED: Thomas:

ORANGE: Milo, Lilly, Noah, Priya, Jack

Attendance last week was 93% which is actually very good considering the bug that was going around. Thank you for your support in helping us to contain it. Hygiene work by our cleaning team and staff, a well-placed weekend and your support has drastically reduced the spread and I hope that everyone stays well over half term.

School photos will be coming out as soon as we get back for orders - I have seen a quick preview and I think the children all look great.

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.

On the first Friday back after half term we are having a PJ's for Sarah day. Children can come to school in a onesie or their pyjamas and donate a £1 for Sarah's sponsorship (who we sponsor to attend school in Uganda). No slippers please!

Thank you for all your support this term, we really do appreciate it. Have a lovely, restful half term.

With kind regards,  
Mrs Connolly



### Autumn Diary Dates



Friday 26 October		INSET day
Monday 29 October to Friday 2 November		Half Term
Friday 9 November		PJ's for Sarah day
Tuesday 13 November	9.30 - 11.30am	Open Morning
Friday 16 November		Children in Need & mental wellbeing theme day
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.