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Dear Parents,

Our value for this half term is: Responsibility

ATTENDANCE THIS TERM, SO FAR

R – 95.09% INF – 98.53%
LJN – 97.25% UPJN – 96.56%

We are delighted to announce that we gave out 54 certificates for 100% attendance. Well done everyone that received one.

The winning class was Year 1-2.

Dates:

Mon 4th November: INSET day

Tues 5th November: School starts

Thurs 7th Nov: Parents online safety meeting. 2pm

Fri 8th Nov: Reports out

Mon 11th Nov; Remembrance Day

Mon 11th Nov: Parents evening

Tues 12th Nov: Parents evening

Thurs 14th Nov: PTFA Quiz night at Baskerville Arms

Sat 16th Nov: Community Hall Big Breakfast

Thurs 21st Nov: Cinema trip; The Grinch

Fri 22nd Nov: Rags to Riches collection

Mon 25th Nov: Computing Conference

Tues 26th (y3 and 4) Short tennis

Fri 29th Nov: Y3,4,5,6 trip to Caerleon

Sunday 1st Dec: Service of light

Fri 6th Dec: PTFA Christmas Fair

Mon 9th Dec: Sports hall athletics, Weobley

Tues 10th Dec afternoon: Christmas carols

Wed 11th Dec evening: Christmas carols

Mon 16th Dec: Christmas dinner and party day

Tues 17th Dec: Christmas Art day

Fri 20th Dec: Finish for Christmas and pyjama day

What a busy week it has been!

The week started with our **hockey** team going off to Kington to play in a tournament. We won 2 games and lost 2 games. Excellent team work by everyone, very proud of you all!

Once again the children of Clifford Primary School performed amazingly in the **Harvest Festival** on Tuesday. We had lots of lovely comments, thank you. It was great to see all the children reciting stories, poetry, singing, dancing and playing musical instruments. Amazing!

Also a big thank you for all your donations for the food bank, which I will deliver next week.

On Wednesday, we held our first of 6 **Enrichment days**.

Everyone had a very enjoyable day.

Year 3 and 4's view of the day:

Wellbeing day: We made stress balls, lavender bags and painted rocks. We also had yoga with Miss Hodges, it was very relaxing and mostly fun.

Eco Day: We made a picture with bottle lids and we did a fashion with scrap material. It was brilliant.

Music making: We were lucky enough to have Bea and Tilly's dad to come in to show us four instruments and how they work. In the afternoon, we made our own song about Halloween and we performed them to the whole school.

Filmmaking: We made props ready for our film; we then acted out the effects of healthy and unhealthy living. We edited it and put onto imovie. It was fun!

Thank you to the PTFA for organising an amazingly noisy and scary **Halloween disco**. Great fun!

Guy Making: We managed to miss the rain and make our Guys for the Clyro Bonfire Night. It was great seeing the children working independently in mixed ages.

You will be able to see photos of the above on our website very soon.

Well done to Middlewood for winning the most house points this term!

Over half term we are doing an audit of the school reading books, so your child will not be given a reading book for the half term period.

Next Half Term:

Please note on Monday 4th November we are having staff training. School will recommence on Tuesday 5th November. Sorry we have slotted this in at the last minute. **Please ensure you change it on your calendars.**

Digital Leader Conference: Wednesday 6th November, at Hampton Dene Primary, Hereford.

We will be leaving school at 8.45 for a 9.30am start and returning to school at 3.15pm, with lots of ideas.

At 2pm on Thursday 7th November we have invited Mark Sanderson, our computer consultant, to Clifford Primary School, to talk to parents about e-safety, how to keep our children safe with technology. He will give you lots of useful tips, in a world that is always changing.

Please come along so that Mark is not left sitting on his own. It will be in Year 5 and 6 classroom.

QUIZ NIGHT

The PTFA quiz night is on Thursday 14th November at 8pm. The Baskerville recommend arriving at 7.30pm to get a table as they only take reservations if you're eating.

It is £2 per person to take part and teams can be between 2-5 people (5 people maximum). They will also be holding a raffle. Do come along and support the school – it should be a fun evening!



A huge thank you to the PTFA for such an enjoyable Halloween Disco. The children had a wonderful time and we took, so far, a grand total of £243.

General reminders:

Xmas 4 Schools: Thank you to everyone who has handed in their beautiful creations. Please do continue to bring them in. I will be sending everything in on 28th October so will need all orders and payment in by then. Please note we are unable to send in any orders without the payment attached.

Xmas lunch: Please don't book any lunches on ParentPay for **16th December** as we will be providing all children with a fabulous Christmas Dinner paid for by the school. Menu choices will be sent out after half term.

PTFA FUNDRAISER, NEW PE HOODIES

The PTFA hoodies are on sale. The order form is attached alongside this newsletter and payment is available on ParentPay. Many thanks

There will be no hot school lunches on **Thurs 21st November** as we are having a cinema trip on that day (letter attached) therefore please do not book lunches on that day.

Children who are going to Caerleon (3,4,5 and 6) on **29th November** should not book school lunches on that day.

HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS. We have been contacted by the schools admissions office at Herefordshire Council informing us that there are still some Year 6 pupils who have not completed their admissions to High School. They have asked us to say that they would appreciate this being done as soon as possible. Many thanks.



If we have any Aldi shoppers amongst you all, please could you help us collect the Get Set to eat fresh stickers. There is a chance to win £20,000 for the school!

If you need any further information, do not hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely,
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