



Llanhari Primary News

October 9th 2017

Well Done

We had a fantastic response to our NSPCC Sponsored event—raising over £750 for this worthy cause. The NSPCC have been working with our children on developing their E-Safety skills and delivered a workshop to parents free of charge. It is great that we have been able to repay their generosity with the sponsor money so they can continue to support children less fortunate than us.

What is Growth Mindset? - Workshop For Parents

Mrs Hopkins and Mrs LeBreton worked with renowned educationalist Shirley Clarke last year on an action research project looking at 'Growth Mindset'. Shirley Clarke only picks a handful of schools to work with each year so we are very honored to have the opportunity to be part of the project. Mrs Hopkins and Mrs LeBreton tried out new strategies and teaching techniques, noting the impact on the children and feeding back. The findings of the research that we have been involved in will be published as part of Shirley Clarkes annual paper.

This year we are rolling it out across the school. Growth Mindset is a way of teaching children that encourages an 'Can Do' attitude and develops self-motivation. Some of the strategies involve children working in 'Learning partners', that change weekly and learning to recognise their learning—are they feeling challenged? We are also focusing on children recognising good behaviour and good work rather than rewarding it.

If you would like to find out more we will be holding a workshop on Tuesday 24th October 9-10am. Mrs Hopkins will share some of the resources and techniques and answer any questions you may have.

Reading

Can we remind parent's to read the scheme books little and often with your children. Please encourage them to read a book of their choice as well and note both in the reading record book. All our children follow a scheme which is tailored to their relevant reading age—words and comprehension. We have a range of different publications and the levels are not equal eg. A stage 6 Oxford Reading Tree is not the same as stage 6 New Way book. Also within schemes a level 6 will have a wide range of fiction and non-fiction that will increase in difficulty. If you have any queries about your child's reading book please feel free to speak to the class teacher or Mrs Coates. A reading guide for parents, written by our Parent Council is available in the Cwtch or on request.

Dinner Money

Can all dinner money (and trip money) be brought in an envelope with your child's name written on it please.

Dates for your diary

11th October—Warburtons workshop, Class 6
11th October—NSPCC thank you assembly
11th + 12th October—ALN Parent's meetings
12th October—Warburtons workshop, Class 7
13th October—Christmas Card Orders deadline
17th + 18th October—Parent's evening
23rd October—Parent Council meeting
24th October—Parent Coffee Morning (please note change of date from last newsletter)
26th October—Halloween disco
27th October—Class 7 assembly
28th October—5th November—Half Term
6th November—INSET Day
10th November—Remembrance service
14th November—Class 2+3 trip to Tesco
17th November—Children in Need
22nd November—Coffee morning
11th December—1pm Nursery dress rehearsal
12th December—9:30am Junior dress rehearsal
12th December—1:30pm Nursery/Reception Christmas Concert
13th December—9:30am Year 1+2 dress rehearsal
13th December—1:30pm Junior Christmas concert
14th December—1:30pm Year 1+2 Christmas Concert
14th December—6pm Junior Christmas Concert
15th December— Xmas jumper day
15th December - Christmas Dinner
18th December—Christmas church service
19th December—Christmas Panto year 2-6
23rd December—7th January—Christmas holidays
8th January—INSET Day
19th January—Class 6 assembly
25th January—Balance due for Shrek theatre trip
16th February—Class 5 assembly
20th + 21st March—Parent's evenings
23rd March—Class 4 assembly
19th April—Shrek theatre trip
26th March—Balance due for Summer trips to Oakwood and Folly Farm
11th June—Oakwood/Folly Farm trips

