## Newsletter - Friday 21st October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Is it really half term already? We have done such a lot this term and the time has flown by. The children have worked really hard this term and have made such good progress in all they have been learning; they definitely deserve a rest! We all hope you have a really lovely half term break and look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

#### **Celebrations:**

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Amazing learning by everyone again this week and I have seen lots of evidence of our school values in action this week too.

This week or School Values certificates went to:

Lacey Friendship

Cameron for Generosity (Thank you Cameron for offering to help clean the lunch tables with me.

You were very helpful! (2)



Our certificates for learning this week went to:

Immy for some excellent number work; Eloise for a superb piece of writing (a non-chronological report about wolves) and Emily for great work in maths.

### **Bothel Pumpkin Festival:**

Don't forget Bothel Village Pumpkin Festival in the Village Hall on 28th October. The flier was attached to a message on Class Dojo today if you would like to see the details more clearly. It looks like lots of fun!

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#### **Halloween and Bonfire Talk:**

Our local PCSO came to school on Thursday and spoke to all of the children about keeping safe at Halloween and on Bonfire Night. She reminded the children about using gloves to hold sparklers, staying well back from fireworks and that only people over the age of 18 should be handling and lighting fireworks.

She also talked to the children about the importance of thinking of others at Halloween, not approaching houses you don't know and reminding them of "stranger danger". We all hope you have a fantastic time over Halloween and at Bonfire Night celebrations if you are celebrating these!





#### **PCSO Police Car Experience!**

After our Halloween and Bonfire Night session we were lucky enough to be able to ask PCSO Clare Parker to show the features of her Police vehicle to the children in Acorns and Saplings Class. They all enjoyed looking at what the car had in it and all enjoyed sitting in the car! Thank you Mrs Strickland for seizing the opportiunity for a super experience!

#### Partner School in India:

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On Tuesday, KS2 had their next Zoom chat with our partner school in India. Both groups of children shared examples of festivals that they were currently celebrating, with our children talking about Harvest Festival, and the children in India talking about their celebration of the Hindu Goddess Durga. Both groups learnt lots from each other and are looking forward to their next Zoom catch up! Thank you, Mrs Fennell for making all of this possible!





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#### **Harvest Festival 2022**

Thank you to all of those of you who were able to attend our Harvest Festival on Tuesday. It really was lovely to have everyone together in the school hall and the children were very happy to be able to share their Harvest themed performances with you all. If you didn't manage to get there, Miss Gibson has very kindly uploaded a couple of short videos of some our rehearsal performance. Thank you, Miss Gibson! The children had some lovely ideas of what they were thankful for and we also managed to collect 61 tins for the North Lakes Food Bank "Just One Tin" Collection. Thank you everyone for your generosity!



# <u>Dates for your diaries so far:</u> (More details and dates will follow)

Monday 31st October – School reopens for second half of Autumn term

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Parents' Evenings

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – GNAA collection

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Sands Pantomime trip

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School closes for Christmas at 3:30pm

Have a really lovely half term everyone!

