

# Himbleton Herald - Issue 11 2021/22

## **Nurture, Nature, Knowledge:**

***Enabling inquisitive thinkers and inspired learners with kind hearts.***

## **GOVERNOR MONITORING**

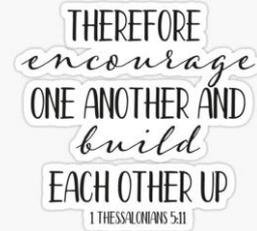
The governors have had a busy few weeks. Along with full board and committee meetings, they have been carrying out important monitoring activities to consider the school's progress against our set development priorities. They have met with subject/area leaders, focusing on safeguarding, Science, Early Years and special educational needs to date.

In addition, the governors are working hard on the next phase of our change of age work.

We are fortunate and grateful to have a very committed governing body, with a broad skill set, who volunteer their time to provide support and challenge to help make Himbleton the best place it can be for our children. Thank you governors!

## **OUR FOCUS CHRISTIAN VALUE**

This half-term our focus Christian value is 'Respect'.



In worship last week, the children shared their thoughts about all the ways in which respect can be shown. Some examples were: keeping the environment tidy and taking care of the world, having good manners, responding in a thoughtful way to varying viewpoints, celebrating the fact we are all unique, respecting the way people dress and caring for others at all times.

## **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE**

Weekly attendance for each statutory year group last week was as follows:

Reception: 93.3%

Year 1: 95.3%

Year 2: 94.8%

Year 3: 91.3%

Year 4: 91.3%

Year 5: 96.8%

Our target is a minimum of 97%.

## **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS**

The final day of term, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December, will be Christmas Celebration day. Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper to school, in exchange for £1 to go to the British Heart Foundation; the important work of this charity makes a difference to so many. Do take a look at <https://www.bhf.org.uk/> for further information.

The children will have class parties in the morning, then will go down to the village hall to join together for Christmas lunch (ordered via Aspens). The whole school will then head to Church for carol singing at 2.15pm.

One parent/carer per family is welcome to join.

All children should be collected from Church at 3pm on this day please unless booked into wrap around care.

## **POPPY APPEAL**

An enormous 'thank you' to the Himbleton community for supporting the Poppy Appeal so generously this year. We raised a very impressive total of £289!

## **NON-UNIFORM DAYS**

As we prepare for the Christmas Grotto event on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December, this Friday will be a non-uniform day in exchange for hamper donations. Next Friday (10<sup>th</sup> December) will be a non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate and bottle tombola items.

## **CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE**

Please see a separate letter in mail bags regarding arrangements for our very exciting Christmas concerts!

## **WELL DONE!**

Well done to the children who were nominated for Outstanding Worker and Values Awards on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November:

### **Outstanding Worker Awards:**

EYFS – Francesca; KS1 – Oliver; LKS2 – Bridget  
Year 5 – Alex.

### **Values Awards:**

EYFS – Albus; KS1 – Teddy; LKS2 – Kerry – Ann  
Year 5 – Corey.

## **BAGS 2 SCHOOL**

Thank you so much for all of the very generous donations for Bags 2 School. In total £82 was raised for PTA funds!

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021