



Wednesday 20th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We are at the end of a very busy term and Christmas is quickly approaching! The children have enjoyed various trips this term, which have been linked to their learning, and they have produced excellent pieces of work.

We hope that parents have enjoyed the opportunity to come into school for various subject workshops and to see the Christmas performances. The children worked very hard on these and they were all fantastic! A huge well done to all of our children for their achievements this term. I'd also like to say a big thank you to the staff team for making all these events happen.

We will welcome a new teacher in January. Miss Carty will teach Otter class. Sadly, we say goodbye to Mrs Large, one of our office staff, and Mrs Lay. We wish them the best of luck for the future.

We wish all of our children and parents a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

Miss Milne

Head of School

Emails

School staff can email parents via Pupil Asset. However, please be aware that parents cannot email the school back using Pupil Asset. Please email office@attleborough-pri.norfolk.sch.uk

Please could parents also ensure emails from @attleboroughprimary.org.uk are added to your safe senders list as there have been occasions where staff have emailed parents but they have bounced back as undeliverable.

Friends Committee

A big thank you to the Friends for the events they have planned and organised this term for the children. The disco and movie nights were very popular. Upcoming events:

Friday 9th February – *Bingo and loaded fries night*

Friday 15th March – *Easter disco*

Break-time snack and water bottle

Children in Key Stage 1 are provided with a piece of fruit to have at breaktime. Children in Key Stage 2 can bring in fruit for their playtime snack. All children should have a water bottle which can be refilled with water throughout the day. This should be filled with water (no squash or fizzy drinks please) before coming to school.

Donations of board games

Any donations of children's board games would be gratefully received for class indoor play.

Safer Schools

Please find attached the Safer Schools Newsletter for the Autumn term 2023 (Norfolk Constabulary Safer Schools Team).

Revised Behaviour Policy

The revised Behaviour Policy has been attached to the email. We have introduced '3 rules' for the classroom and playground.

In the classroom:

1. We do not stop others from learning
2. We do as we are asked the first time
3. We always try our best

In the playground:

1. No hurting – physically or emotionally
2. Follow the rules of the game
3. Leave other people's games alone

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns for the safety or welfare of a child at any time, but particularly during the holidays, please share your concern by calling either of the following numbers: NSPCC – 0808 800 5000 Child Advice and Duty Service: 0344 800 8020

Calls can be anonymous.

Contact details

Please ensure that any change of contact details are passed to the office so that we can keep our records update.

Online safety

Many children will be receiving devices for Christmas that will enable them to access the internet. Online safety is becoming a bigger and bigger issue both in and out of school. Please take the time to discuss online safety with your child and to consider setting parental controls. Further information can be found by following this link:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Let's work together to keep our children safe!

Care plan

Should your child have a medical condition or allergy, please ensure that the school office is aware so that a care plan can be completed. If you are unsure about whether this needs a plan, then please do ask at the office and we will be happy to advise.

Asthma

We have recently updated our asthma forms. Please ensure that any inhalers brought into school are handed to the office so that the correct forms can be filled in.

If your child's inhaler canister needs replacing due to the expiry date, please ensure these are handed to the office so that we can update our records accordingly.

If you have received new forms to fill in, please ensure these are returned to the office ASAP in the new year. If your child no longer requires an inhaler, please email into the office to let us know.

Thank you for your support with this.

Attendance

Reception <i>Caterpillar</i>	Year 1 <i>Red Squirrel</i>	Year 2 <i>Ladybirds</i>	Year 3 <i>Fox</i>	Year 4 <i>Red Deer</i>	Year 5 <i>Barn Owl</i>	Year 6 <i>Seal</i>
94.7%	94.3%	94.7%	95.8%	96.7%	94.6%	95.4%
Reception <i>Dragonfly</i>	Year 1 <i>Hedgehog</i>	Year 2 <i>Bumblebee</i>	Year 3 <i>Badger</i>	Year 4 <i>Kingfisher</i>	Year 5 <i>Otter</i>	Year 6 <i>Heron</i>
94.8%	96.7%	94.7%	96.1%	96.5%	93.4%	96.3%

Our attendance target is 97%. A reminder that the gates open at 8.40am and close at 8.50am. Children who arrive after 8.50am need to go through the office and will be marked as late.

If your child is absent from school, please let the school office know as soon as possible on the morning of the absence. If we do not hear from parents by 9.20am, we will start our first day calling procedures.

Bumblebee Tudor Houses

Bumblebees have worked very hard on their Tudor Houses as part of their history topic: The Great Fire of London. Well done! *(From January, we will send a fortnightly newsletter to parents to include photos of the super work the children have produced from different classes).*



House Points

EARTH	AIR	FIRE	WATER
2006	2063	2042	2068

The house with the most points wins an end of term treat as a reward. This term's reward was decorating Christmas biscuits with Mrs Faulkner.

Gold Awards

Every week, during Friday celebration assembly, a Gold Award is presented to children who have shown excellent behaviour or have produced excellent work. Congratulations to the following children who received a Gold Award last Friday:

Daniella, Logan, Rupert, Ruby, Makas, Forrest, Navaeh, Kristian, Anais, Benjamin, Jacob and Gabby.

Top Table Awards

Each week, the MSAs choose one child who has shown excellent behaviour to have lunch at the special Top Table. Congratulations to last Friday's Top Table children: **Thomas, Millie, Max, Ivy-Rae, Lisa and Ethan.**

TERM DATES

Spring Term

Thursday 4th January – Friday 16th February 2024

Half-term holiday: Monday 19th February – Friday 23rd February 2024

Monday 26th February – Wednesday 27th March 2024

Easter Holiday: Thursday 28th March – Friday 12th April 2024

Summer Term

Monday 15th April – Friday 24th May (*Monday 6th May is a Bank Holiday*)

Half-term holiday: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024

Monday 3rd June – Friday 19th July 2024