

Newsletter 03/11/2017

This year we will be using a 'Recognition Board' to challenge children to achieve daily targets linked to the academy rules and expectations. The aim is for all children to achieve the target and get their name on the Recognition Board. The totals below show how many children have achieved this each week.

**This week 308 children made it onto the Recognition Board.
Well done!**



Parrots	Flamingos	Pandas	Elephants	Eagles	Llamas	Dolphins
23/23	23/23	23/23	23/23	23/23	20/20	18/18
Penguins	Foxes	Polar Bears	Rabbits	Giraffes	Wolves	Turtles
25/25	24/24	24/24	23/23	22/22	20/20	17/17

Parrots
90.1% & 2 late

Penguins
95.1% & 0 lates

Attendance & Lates
Whole school: **96.5%** and **32 lates**
Punctuality **must** improve next week
Our attendance target for the year is 96%
Year to date is: 94.59%

Llamas
98.9% & 2 lates

Wolves
93.9% & 1 late

Flamingos
96.5% & 2 lates

Foxes
99.5% & 2 lates

Dolphins
97.5% & 0 lates

Turtles
88% & 1 late

Pandas
99% & 5 lates

Polar Bears
95.1% & 5 lates

Elephants
95.2% & 1 late

Rabbits
97.6% & 0 lates

Eagles
94.2% & 8 lates

Giraffes
97.6% & 3 lates

Stars of the Week

Meerkats – Adrija T

Monkeys – Amelia-Jayde T

Parrots – Leo M

Penguins – Layton J

Flamingos – Lucas G-Y

Foxes – Emily W

Pandas – Crystal W

Polar Bears – Caitlyn B

Elephants – Lennon H

Rabbits – Cayden J

Eagles – Sam G

Giraffes – Adam W

Llamas – Caitlyn L

Wolves – Gracie-Mae H

Turtles – Mercedes S

Dolphins – Alex D

Well Done!

Upcoming Dates

Tuesday 7th November – School photographer

Monday 13th November – Anti-Bullying Week – Odd Socks Day

Tuesday 14th November – Y6 Parents' Evening 3.30-6pm

Friday 17th November – Children in Need fundraising event

Tuesday 21st November – Reception – Year 5 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 6th December – Christmas Fayre

Friday 8th December – Year 5 & 6 Christmas Carol Concert

Wednesday 13th December – Reception Nativity Performance

Thursday 21st December – Children finish for Christmas

Friday 22nd December – INSET Day – school closed to children

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Odd Socks Day

for Anti-Bullying Week

Bullying of any kind will not be tolerated at Simpson's Lane and for one week the whole school will be taking part in specific anti-bullying activities. This year the theme is 'All Different, All Equal' and to mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week we are joining in with Odd Socks Day and asking children to wear odd socks to school on Monday 13th November.

This week in Reception the Parrots really enjoyed our Halloween Day. We all looked fantastic in our spooky costumes and we enjoyed taking part in different Halloween themed activities.

@SimpsonsParrots



It has been very spooky in the Monkey class this week, as we have been learning all about Halloween and started our new key text 'Room on the Broom'. We had a Halloween party on Tuesday and all the children enjoyed dressing up and taking part in a game of spooky statues, along with some Halloween yoga! We have also been looking inside pumpkins, and discussing what they feel, smell and look like.

@SimpsonsMonkeys



The Academy Councillors from Dolphins and Turtles have been busy this week helping staff to prepare for Anti-Bullying Week that starts on the 13th November.

@SimpsonsLane6C



The Elephants have started the new half term with a new Topic, looking at Europe. They have used their map skills to be able to identify all the different countries.

@SLAElephantsY3



The Foxes have had a fantastic first week back with great attendance. They have started their Big Writing Adventure all about nocturnal animals and are working on writing non chronological reports. Keep up the hard work Foxes!

@SimpsonsLane1B

This week the Eagles have taken advantage of the seasonal events by looking at why we celebrate Halloween as well as creating a senses poem about bonfire night. Do you know where the Halloween tradition comes from? **@SimpsonsEagles**



This week the Pandas have been using array diagrams to calculate the multiplication facts for the 2x, 5x and 10x tables. In our topic work, we have applied our knowledge of sketching techniques to sketch still life pumpkins and Van Gogh's famous 'Starry Night' art work.

Also in Art, we have started learning about textiles and we have woven our very own 'spooky' spider web.

@SimpLanePandas



Leadership signposting

If you have any questions or queries in the first instance, please see your child's class teacher or Mrs Silburn and Mrs Olbison who are usually on the playground before and after the academy day.

If, after speaking to an academy leader, you require to speak to a Senior Leader, then Miss Mayers, Mrs Fairfield, Mr Colley or Miss Murphy will be more than happy to help you.

This week the Llamas have been lucky enough to each receive a copy of 'Cool!' - a Michael Morpurgo book which we will be studying in great depth. We have spent the week analysing and evaluating the front cover and blurb of the book - can't wait to see what happens next!

@SimpsonsLane5M

