

# Acresfield News

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## Message from the Headteacher

Welcome back after the half term break everyone. I hope you had a good week and are ready for a very busy half term! There is a lot to catch up from October, so please have a read to see what has been going on.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest celebration at the end of the half term. It was a lovely occasion, which not only showcased some super singing and performances by the children, but most importantly provided our charity, *Save the Family*, with lots of donations to support their work. *Save the Family* arrived later that morning to collect all of the donations and were extremely grateful. A great occasion and an important message.



As part of their class work, our **Komodo Dragons** celebrated Dahlicious Day last month, by dressing up as a character from one of Roald Dahl's books.

The children took part in some fun activities during the day linked to Roald Dahl. There were lots of very memorable outfits as you can see in the photograph.



**Penguin class** shared their learning at the end of the half term in their class assembly. It was a super celebration of lots of hard work, as they took us back in time to the *Great Fire of London*. Well done Penguins: a super assembly!

The whole school had a splash of yellow on **World Mental Health Day** in October. The focus of the day was to raise awareness of the importance of talking and sharing worries with someone, instead of bottling them up inside. In school, the children were reminded of the different ways they can share their worries which included talking to an adult, posting a worry in Wanda the Worry Pig and speaking to the Pupil Parliament or a buddy. Displays around the school remind the children of the different ways they can get help.



Our **Pupil Parliament** has been very busy in the last few weeks. The children are establishing themselves in their new posts. They have talked in assemblies to recruit children from across the school for different roles including e-cadets. They are also leading a project linked to the one hundred year anniversary of the end of World War 1. Our recent **Investors in Pupils** award recognised the excellent work that Miss Nicholls and the Pupil parliament are doing in school to ensure that our children play a massive part in the life of the school. Well done Pupil parliament: keep up the hard work!

In our **sports news**, October saw a number of sporting events. Three different football teams have played in league matches and tournaments from across the school. Miss Kiernan and myself have been impressed with the attitude and approach of all the children. Well done in particular to our school U11 football team, who have played three league matches and won them all. This included scoring seven goals and not conceding any. A great start to the season.

The school also entered two tag rugby tournaments in October. The children from key stage 2, performed extremely well, with the Jaguar children reaching the semi-final. The first cross country event of the winter series was held in October too. The school was, once again, extremely well represented from across all key stage 2 classes [and some Penguins!]. There were some super individual performances, which included the following top ten finishes. Edith Carr 5th, Ava Laing 7th, Charlotte Hackett 7th, Elsie Wilson 8th, Ria Jacob 8th, Megan Lenihan 9th and Bailey March 9th. Well done to all our runners! November 3rd results will be in the next newsletter.



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## Diary Dates



### November

3rd—Cross Country Winter Series Race 2 [please note this is in the half term holiday]  
5th—INSET day—School closed  
6th—Children return  
6th—Jaguars' trip to Tatton Park  
7th—Football match v Overleigh  
8th—Meerkats' trip to Jodrell Bank  
8th—Tiger Cub parents invited to lunch  
8th—Friends' disco 6-6.45pm Tiger Cubs, Meerkat, Penguins. 7-8pm Otters, Komodo Dragons, Orangutans, Jaguars  
9th—Tiger Cubs' trip to Delamere Forest  
12th—School run clubs finish this week  
15th—Orangutans' trip to Tatton Park  
15th—Friends' Ladies Evening  
16th—Choir performing at Children in Need  
19th—Football match v Chester Bluecoat  
26th—2.45pm Parents welcome into school to 'Share the Learning' except Tiger Cub parents.  
29th—Orangutans' 'Walk my Journey' evening performance  
30th—Football tournament at Christleton High

### December

4th—Catch up and Cake! Tiger Cub parents 2.45pm  
5th—Swimming Gala—Otters and Komodo Dragons  
6th—Penguins multi-skills festival  
7th—Christmas Fair 6-8pm  
11th—3.15pm Cabinet meeting  
13th—Tiger Cubs, Meerkats and Penguins Christmas performance 2.15pm and 5.30pm  
14th—2pm Aladdin performance in school  
17th—Children's Christmas Dinner  
18th—KS2 Christmas performance at The Church of the Holy Ascension in Upton 2pm and 6.30pm  
20th—Children's party lunch  
20th—9.00am End of term celebration assembly—everyone welcome  
20th—End of term.

### January

7th—INSET day—school closed  
8th—Children return  
24th—9am Parent class representatives' meeting

### February

9th—Cross Country Winter Series Race 3  
15th—End of half term

Children return Monday February 25th

### March

2nd—Final cross country race  
12th—Class photos  
12th—Choir AmaSing Concert  
18th—Younique Me Week  
26th—Danny Jones tournament  
26th and 28th—Parents' evenings  
29th—9am End of term celebration assembly

Children return April 15th.

## Attendance Matters

Our attendance rate continues to show improvement from last year and currently stands at 97.6%.

The class with the best attendance in the first half term were the Orangutans with 98.7% and they will be getting a class reward as a result. Thank you all for your support with this: keep up the hard work.

## School Uniform

Please can I ask that the children arrive in school with the correct uniform including footwear. In particular, a number of children are not wearing the correct socks and are coming to school in various types of socks, including different colour socks. Thank you for your support with this.

## Friends

Following the Friends AGM last month, I am pleased to announce a new Chair was elected—Samantha Winning. Alongside her on the committee are Nicky Laing [vice-chair] Fiona Richardson [treasurer], and Joanne Thompson and Hannah Munnely [secretary]. Thank you to all the parents who put themselves forward and attended the AGM. The committee will, as usual, need the help and support of lots more parents in order to ensure events run smoothly. The more helpers, the easier it is for everyone and even just half an hour tidying up after an event by lots of people makes a massive difference. Upcoming events for the Friends include a children's disco, ladies night and Christmas Fair. Please check the diary dates and the various fliers that have gone out to ensure the dates are in your diary. We look forward to your support to enable the Friends to continue to raise much needed funds for the children.

## And Finally .....

As you can see we have a very busy half term, leading to the Christmas celebrations. There are lots of opportunities for parents to come in to school during this half term and see the work of the children and support our different events. We look forward to seeing you. Don't forget to keep up to date with the work of the school by viewing our tweets, which can be accessed via the website.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes  
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[Headteacher]