



## AJA News – 27.10.23

### A message from Mr Dunn

Hi everyone!

I hope that you have had a good week!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Donation table. Yesterday, Mrs Bower took all the food down to the foodbank next to the school, where it was very gratefully received. Thanks once again.

I hope that you all have a fantastic and restful half term break. Enjoy yourselves if you are going trick or treating, or maybe you will be off to a firework display somewhere? Whatever you decide to do, please make sure that you take care and keep safe.

We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November.  
Mr Dunn

### A message from Mrs Bower

#### Parent Workshop – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2.15pm – 3pm & 5pm – 5.45pm

We are running a parent Zones of Regulation workshop so come along to find out how we teach the children to self-regulate and how you can use these ideas at home.

The Zones of Regulation uses four colours to help children self-identify how they're feeling. The teaching of the zones helps children better understand their emotions, sensory needs, and thinking patterns. Children learn different strategies to help them cope and manage their emotions based on which colour zone they're in. Additionally, the Zones of Regulation helps children recognise their own triggers, learn to read facial expressions, develop problem solving skills and become more attuned to how their actions affect other people. We look forward to sharing with you how we use the Zones in school and how you can use them to help at home too!

The <b>ZONES</b> of Regulation®			
<b>BLUE ZONE</b> Sad Sick Tired Bored Moving Slowly	<b>GREEN ZONE</b> Happy Calm Feeling Okay Focused Ready to Learn	<b>YELLOW ZONE</b> Frustrated Worried Silly/Wiggly Excited Loss of Some Control	<b>RED ZONE</b> Mad/Angry Mean Terrified Yelling/Hitting Out of Control

Confident Chameleons achieved the highest scores on Times Table Rockstars this week! The top three players in the school were Macauley, Kyran and Zachary. Well done! Confident Chameleons were also the best class on Sumdog!

I wish you all a restful half term. I look forward to hearing all about it when we return!

### Important Dates

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

Last day of term

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

First day of term

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

Class photos

Individual photos for those previously absent

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

Zones of Regulation

Parent workshop

2.15pm – 3pm

5pm – 5.45pm

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

Wear yellow or anything with spots £1 donation to Children-In-Need

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

INSET Day

School closed for children

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

Flu vaccinations

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Fair 3.30pm – 5.30pm  
&  
Christmas dinner

### Attendance

This week's attendance

**96.12%**

Highest class attendance

**Perfect Pandas 99.2%**

# What's been happening this week?

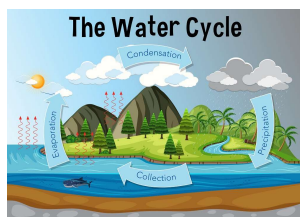
## Year 3



The first half term done! I do hope that any anxiety or worries about your children starting year 3 has dissipated and you are as proud of them as we are! 8 weeks is a long time, but all children have kept motoring along showing an incredible work ethic and learning attitude. A huge thank you to all children who completed learning log tasks - the quality is very high! Next term we are starting our Stone Age topic with the question - would you rather be a child in the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age? In our first week back, we will be studying the poem - Flanders Field - as our way of supporting and learning about Remembrance Day. Have an amazing half term and see you all soon!

PS - I will put the first week's spellings on Dojo on the Friday before we come back!

## Year 4



Year 4 have had a great last week of term! We have consolidated our learning this term in maths and completed our Gorgon description and instructions for defeat. Science has focused on explaining the changing states of the water cycle. Art and DT has been the focus of our afternoons this week, with the children designing, making, and painting their ancient Greek-style vases. Thank you to year 4 pupils for their behaviour and work ethic this week. Have a restful half term. The Year 4 team.

## Year 5



What a fantastic start these children have made to Year 5! They have met the challenge of harder work and new routines with resilience and a fantastic attitude to learning. This week, we have been working on rounding numbers up to 6 digits in our maths lessons. Tricky, but we nailed it! In English, we have worked on completing our alternative ending to the story of Grace O'Malley and brushing up on our grammar with homophones. We finished science with water resistance experiments, and completed our history topic by looking at crime and punishment in Tudor times (and modern too!) The work the children have done on our learning logs has been outstanding. It's been so hard to choose a learning log champion. Thank you for all your support with this, and all of the other work that you do with your children. Have a lovely, relaxing half-term! The Y5 team.

## Year 6



We may all be exhausted after this 8 week term but we have maintained focus and effort to the end! Incredible effort and creativity were shown in the building of the Anderson shelters for DT. Amazing teamwork and resilience was shown by all, including Mrs Naylor and Mrs McMain who supported throughout the process. This has also been demonstrated through the learning and application of the formal method for long division; as well as supporting each other to edit and improve our evacuee diary accounts. Through our history, reading and PSHE lessons, we have learned a great deal about racism, prejudice and diversity. We agreed that we can learn so much from each other when we accept our differences as a positive. Through our study of WWII, we have become aware of how dangerous it can be not to stand up against prejudice and racism, and it starts with us...now! There were such good ideas in lessons that we have been inspired to create a Diversity display...watch this space! Have a wonderful holiday, a well-deserved rest for all. See you all on 6th November!