

**WE CARE about Excellence**

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Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

### **What a week of great learning!**

It's clear to see from what has been happening this week across our school that WE CARE about our learning. Thanks to the hard work and dedication of our super teaching teams, our learning environments are developing with great thought and care, supporting children's learning and celebrating their success.



I have really enjoyed taking part in a number of learning experiences throughout the week and getting to know all of our incredible learners. In FS1 and FS2, the children have been exploring their learning environment, both indoor and outdoor, demonstrating their WE CARE about each other qualities. In Year 1, the children have been re-writing the tale of Rapunzel with great imagination and concentration. Year 2 have been creating the original and very exciting adventures of Traction Man, a superhero who can solve any problem! Year 3/4 children have been enjoying Science as professors and Year 5/6 have been showing their entrepreneurial talents by preparing persuasive letters and 'Dragon's Den' styled presentations to persuade myself and Mr McCarthy to support the creation of a healthy school 'tuck shop'. Also, all of our learners from Y1-6 enjoyed their first taste of weekly Forest School learning with Mr Cunningham. Despite the rainy conditions on Monday, during many conversations this week, the children have repeatedly talked with great enthusiasm about their learning in the Forest. We are planning for our younger learners across FS to also have regular learning opportunities in the Forest School environment as the term progresses.



### **Hydration throughout the day**

As a school which attempts to encourage healthy choices for all, we advise and provide opportunities for all children to re-hydrate with water during lesson time through the day. At lunchtimes, milk is also an option for all children in addition to water. As a school, we appreciate your support of healthy hydration choices.

## WE CARE about Excellence

Last week, you will have received a letter from Mrs Cunningham our KS2 Leader explaining our WE CARE about learning attributes. To further expand on 'WE CARE about Excellence', in assemblies and discussions with our teaching teams, WE CARE about Excellence for us as a school is about focusing on the following key areas.



and finally, **WE CARE about our School**. This involves all showing pride and care in our school campus and how we represent our school within our community and the wider world.

## WE CARE - Headteacher Award Winners

Congratulations to the following learners for winning our **WE CARE Headteacher Award**

### Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> September

Harrison Deacon, Isaac Kearns, Emily Tuivonovono, Rania Manzoor and Liam Reynolds

### Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> September

Kofi Addo, Martha Carmen, Ruby Hounsell, Freya Young, Max Clibery and Lily-Mae Seviour

If your child is selected for a WE CARE Headteacher Award, you will be notified by Thursday lunchtime and invited to attend our WE CARE Achievement Assembly (each Friday at 1415hrs). Access to the school is via the main two gates on camp.

## German Cities – Our classes for 2019-20



Year 6 – Berlin



Year 5- Hannover



Year 3/4 Dortmund

All classes have been named after German cities. The children have been, and will continue to learn about their city. We are also planning for all classes to visit the city after which they are named during the school year.



Year 2 – Hameln



Year 1 – Bielefeld



FS2 – Detmold



FS1- Paderborn



## Class Attendance Awards

Well done to the following classes for winning 100% Attendance Awards in recent weeks



Paderborn (Fs1)



Bielefeld (Year 1)



Dortmund (Year ¾)

## Reporting illness

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please report this to the school office between 0815 and 0900hrs on each day of absence. It is important to keep us informed of attendance. If we are unaware of the reasons why a child is absent, we will employ the following procedures:

1. After the school registers are completed by 0845hrs, checks are made to ensure that all absent pupils are accounted for, either by the receipt of a letter from parents or a telephone call.
2. In the case of unexplained absence, we will make a telephone call to the home, mobile and work numbers we have on our system in the attempt to ensure all children are safe.
3. If we are still unsure of the safety of any child, after numerous attempts to contact you we will contact relevant Unit Welfare Offices and request their assistance in attempting to establish the 'whereabouts' of the absent child.



Today, if your child(ren) are in Year 1-6, you will have received a letter for the launch of Seesaw from Mr Parkinson. This is an excellent resource which will allow you to see what great learning your child(ren) are achieving throughout their school day/week. It will also be used as a class communication tool by teachers. I would strongly encourage all to parents to download the Seesaw app to a home device or phone and enjoy seeing what incredible learners the children are. We are hoping to launch Seesaw for all children across FS1 and FS2 in the coming weeks, so watch this space...

### **School Communication of Excellence and Success**

We will also be communicating whole school events or messages using our Facebook page and Twitter account which can be found using the links/details below.



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/770605503085893/>



@AttenboroughSc1 <https://twitter.com/AttenboroughSc1>

Please remember to complete our online consent form for permission to use digital imagery on our communication and celebration tools, such as our website, Twitter and Facebook. Images will never include the names of any pupil.

Online consent form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=p53tkF6ATkmR17lO7SGkZBofY01ZyQIHrxzPXUbdHqhUQVZaSTc4Nk1RQjIYNkUoUVc3Q0NFM1NSWC4u>

### **School Gate Access from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**



**From Monday, access to and from our school gate will be supervised by the GGS.**

Please ensure that when you arrive at the school gate with your child(ren) you have a **valid ID card**. Myself and/or Mr McCarthy will continue to welcome all in the mornings and bid farewell at the end of a school day. If there are any problems, please do let us know and we will be happy to assist.

**The school gate will now be opened between the following times during the school week (Monday to Friday).**

**Start of the school day: 0830-0900hrs**

**FS1 collection: 1145-1215hrs**

**End of the school day: 1445-1515hrs**

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Chapman  
Headteacher