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This week's special mentions:

Class R: Finley, Joseph, Grayson, Phoebe & Summer

Class 1: Willow, Annie, Louie, Matilda & Chloe

Class 2: Jacob O, Ellie, Sonny, Milo & Jasper

Class 3: Emily, Harper, Grace, Aran & Jamie

Class 4: Joshua, Olivia, Freddy, Oliver & Brody

Class 5: Molly, Fraser, Elliot, Finlay & Lydia

Class 6: Tom, Ellie, Joel, Oliver C & Imogen



A very warm welcome to this week's newsletter.

Attendance Update

Week: 93.81

Autumn Term: 96.42%

Year to date: 96.42%

Harvest at Barnsley Food Bank

We have been overwhelmed by the generosity of your Harvest Festival. Without your help, we would be unable to keep supporting people in need. All your donations really do make a difference.

School Council

A huge well done to all of the pupils who have recently been appointed to our fabulous School Council! We will launch a team photo on Twitter next week and we will have a new display area near in school to show our fantastic team. These children are now the representative voice for their whole class so please do make sure that every child's voice is heard!

Black History Month

The month of October is Black History Month in the UK, and we have planned a series of lessons, activities and assemblies to take place on the week commencing 11th October designed to explore this area of the curriculum.

If you can offer any assistance or would like to help out in your child's class during Black History Month, please speak to the class teacher, we welcome all offers! We would particularly like to welcome minority ethnic and non-British born parents to come into school to speak to the class or share information about their backgrounds.

Some of the activities we have planned are: Caribbean cooking, African dancing, each class is learning about a key black inspirational figure and learning about the black lives matter movement and show racism the red card.

Clubs

We have two more weeks remaining on this current clubs cycle. The staff are working hard to organise new clubs for after October half term. We will keep you updated.

Day	Club	Time	Staff
Monday	Y5/6 Football	3:25 – 4:25	Team Activ
	KS2 running club (FULL)	3:25 – 4:25	Mrs Mackie / Mr Jordan
Tuesday	Y1 Multi-skills	3:15- 4:15	Team Activ
	Y3/4 Gardening Club (FULL)	3:25 – 4:25	Mrs Crofts / Mrs Chapman
Wednesday	Y3/4 Football	3:25 – 4:25	Team Activ
Thursday	Y2 baking club (FULL)	3:15- 4:15	Miss Banford / Mrs Bamforth
Friday			

Parents Meetings Wednesday 13th October 1:30 – 8:00pm

We are delighted to invite you to visit the school to discuss your child's progress and how they have settled into their new class with the class teacher.

To keep the event as safe as possible we will not be displaying your child's books at this meeting. However, there are several opportunities scheduled during the coming terms for you to come and visit your child's classroom to look at their amazing work and we will tweet all of the lively learning happening in school on a regular basis.

Fund Raising Team

The Friday Feast was created a few years ago to raise funds for the school and to provide our children with a sweet treat every other Friday after school.

Each class takes it in turns to bring into school some cakes or buns (homemade or shop bought) on their designated Friday. The parents/grandparents/carers of that class on that Friday then sell the buns for 50p each after school. It's left to the parents/carers of that particular class to organise this amongst themselves.

The Friday feast is held in the lower play ground when the weather is fine or in the Shed of the upper playground when it's raining. Please have a look on the Thurgoland Primary School's Fund Raising Team's Facebook page if you need any more details or if you would like to ask any questions.

Here is the Friday Feast schedule for this term:

Class	Date
4	8th October 2021
5	21st October 2021
6	5th November 2021
R	19th November 2021
1	3rd December 2021
2	16th December 2021

Never fear, Learning Hotspots is here!

Join them at Spooky School, as you bravely work your way through some Monstrous Maths and Scary SPaG activities followed by some nutritious, gruesome grub to recharge your batteries before you go ghost hunting in our Wicked Woodland Spot... only for those who dare!

Learning Hotspots is based in Lancaster House, Cubley and they are able to accept terrifying children FREE of charge to those eligible for benefit-related free school meals from the ages of 5-12 years old. Pay as you go option is also available. They are running sessions from 1pm-5pm Monday to Friday during October half term.

Book your spooky spot through our website:

www.learninghotspots.co.uk

Safeguarding

In recent weeks we have been made aware that adults have been seen smoking in their cars, in which some of our children were present. The following information is taken directly from the gov.uk website: It is illegal to smoke in a car (or other vehicle) with anyone under 18. The law changed on 1 October 2015, to protect children and young people from the dangers of second-hand smoke. Both the driver and the smoker could be fined £50. The law applies to every driver in England and Wales, including those aged 17 and those with a provisional driving licence.

Every time a child breathes in second-hand smoke, they breathe in thousands of chemicals. This puts them at risk of serious conditions including meningitis, cancer, bronchitis and pneumonia. It can also make asthma worse

Sporting Superstars

This week it was the turn of Y/5 boys to show their skills in the Penistone for Sport football event. The weather turned wet, windy and cold, but that didn't stop our sporting superstars producing three really strong attacking performances. Many of our children play for local football teams and their quality really showed on and off the ball; it was equally pleasing to see many others new to football 'giving it a go' – a football pitch can be a daunting place but not for our youngsters who were confident and showed an amazing team spirit. Well done boys, you really did us proud!