



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, it has been fantastic to see the engagement between home and school really increasing as we settle into our new routine. I have really enjoyed the introduction of our Zoom celebration assemblies; it's great to see the children so pleased to see each other and their teachers! Following the success of the first Zoom assembly, we have started to introduce class catch-ups at least once a week as we can see the benefit that these sessions have for the children's well-being. The class catch-ups will have various formats, including class games, storytime, show & tell and opportunities to share work that children are proud of.

We have received very positive feedback from the calls that staff are making to families of the children learning at home, and from those discussions, we have seen the engagement in remote learning increasing by the day. Using Class Dojo is by far the best way for children to access their work – teachers are providing videos to teach new learning and to explain the tasks, which is much more effective than just using paper packs alone. It is also much more beneficial for children to share their work with their teacher by uploading to their Class Dojo portfolio; this way, children get regular feedback from their teacher which is motivational for children, but also helps them to make progress. If you are not yet using Class Dojo in this way, please get in touch and we can help to set this up. We can also support by lending out iPads and WiFi dongles to families who need these in order to access their Class Dojo accounts.

Mrs Deborah Sadler
Headteacher



REMINDERS & NOTICES

Ears4Peers, and for Parents

Here in school, we have Miss Vigon who provides 'Ears for Peers' support for staff. This is just someone to listen, and talk through worries with, when things get challenging. She would like to open up this offer to parents who may like this informal support over the coming weeks. If you would like to access this, please contact me at school and I can put you in touch with Miss Vigon. Likewise, you can request this support when you receive your weekly phone call from a member of staff to 'check in' and see how things are going.

Competition time!

Well done to Lily-May and Remi, the winners of last week's photography competition! We have had some super self-portraits for this week's competition – if you still have an entry to send in, please do. There are Amazon vouchers up for grabs!

The next competition is a **star jump competition!** How many can you do in a minute? Mr Holt-Williams will share a demo video on Class Dojo next week!

Email your score (and a video if you want to!) to: head@heath.shropshire.sch.uk by **the end of next Friday**. Our entries will be shared on Facebook and the winner will receive a small prize!

Perseverance Challenge!



WORSHIP



This half term, we planned to focus on the value of **perseverance**. This is very appropriate during these times! Each week, on this bulletin, I will share a task linked to this value that you can work on at home. This week's can be found above. We will also share worship-related activities on Class Dojo each week, linked to Bible stories. Look out for these!

CELEBRATION!



Happy Birthday to:

Lukas, who celebrated his birthday this week!



AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's **Headteacher Award winners**, who are: **Hummingbirds:** Evie, Amira and Neville

Robin Class: Arthur, Bobby, Nieve and Tate

Skylark Class: Franky, Jacob S, Poppy P and Bella-May

Kingfisher Class: Blake, Amelia, Eve and Madeline

Owl Class: Daisy, Bertie, Lacey, Tristan and Sophia

News:

[Click here](#) to view what our children have been up to recently.

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

Change to PD day on Monday 22nd February: This PD is postponed and this first day back after the half term break will now be a normal school day. This will be a day operating as we currently are, or may change depending on the government advice, but it will NOT be a PD day.

