



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday filled with joy and relaxation. Happy New Year to you all! As we kick off the spring term, we're excited to see everyone back and ready to embark on new learning adventures. Let's make this term a memorable and successful one for all. Here's to a fantastic start to the new year!

Parent Survey

We recognise that transitions, whether from one class to the next or from primary to secondary school, can be a time of excitement and anxiety for children and families. As part of our ongoing self-assessment, we would like to understand yours and your child's experiences and perspectives on transition, as well as any ideas you may have for how we can better support them during these important changes. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey, [Transition Survey](#) which will help us ensure that we are meeting the needs of our children and families. The information you provide will be used to inform our planning and decision-making around transition activities and support for this year and beyond.

Baby Bank Collection

Please see poster below for a lovely initiative organised by one of our parents. We are collecting donations on her behalf to give to the Market Drayton Baby Bank Collection. If you have any items that you would like to donate, please send them in with your child and we will make sure they reach local families.

Colour Run for the Community

We are beginning to organise our next colour run and would like your thoughts on any charities you would like us to support. Last year, our school community raised funds for Macmillan Cancer Support and Shropshire Mental Health Service as well as funding items to go in our Spiritual Garden – fountain, mushroom cushions and plants. Please send your thoughts to me and I will add them to our list.

Home Learning

As always, I'd like to express my gratitude for your continued support. The partnership between home and school is vital in ensuring our children's success, and your involvement is greatly appreciated. Please can I remind everyone of our home learning expectations (see home learning policy on this page): [School Policies](#). Please can you also make sure all children have their reading books and reading diaries in school with them every day. Just 15-30 minutes a day of focussed learning with an adult at home has a huge positive impact.

Helen Reynolds
Headteacher



CELEBRATION

Happy Birthday to:
 Archie C, Ben, Mrs Leighton, Alyssa, Eliza K, Evelyn, Hettie who have birthdays this week.



AWARD WINNERS



Congratulations to this week's **Award winners**, who are:

Harry W, Archie S, Emily, Ava S.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **7th February:** NSPCC Number Day
- **14th February:** Break up for half term
- **17th February:** Bingo – Prees Sports and Social Club
- **24th February:** PD Day
- **27th February:** Parents' evening 1
- **5th March:** Children in Charge day
- **6th March:** World Book Day
- **6th March:** Parents' evening 2
- **24th March:** Skylark Class Assembly
- **26th March:** Robin Class Assembly
- **31st March:** Kingfisher Class Assembly
- **2nd April:** Owl Class Assembly
- **4th April:** Colour Run for the Community
- **11th April:** Break up for Easter



Easyfundraising QR code

Please remember to do any online shopping through the Easyfundraising app. Scan this QR code to set it up. Donations will come to Lower Heath school at NO COST to you!

WORSHIP



Spring 1 half term, we will be focussing on our Christian Value of RESPECT.

Our Bible story linked to this value is 'Moses and the Burning Bush'. Follow this link to hear the story read beautifully by Freddie: [Moses and the Burning Bush](#) Our value of RESPECT reminds us to treat everyone with kindness and consideration, fostering a positive and inclusive school community.

MARKET DRAYTON BABY BANK COLLECTION



Are you having a clear out of childrens clothing and equipment ages 0-5/6years?

Market Drayton Baby Bank are looking for donations in good clean condition for local families in need.

They are unable to accept car seats, mattresses or toys.

Any surplus items that are left over at the end are distributed to local refuges etc

DONATIONS NEED TO BE COLLECTED BY JANUARY 20TH FOR THE DONATION DATE OF 21ST JANUARY.

Reminder of the Speak and Shine dates for this half term. Should you require any support, do get in touch with your child's class teacher.

10 th January	Evie N	Reggie L, Enid	Finley B
17 th January	Rocco	Isobel, Theo	Freddie
24 th January	Grace	Alfie, Eliza W	Chloe
31 st January	Naira	Noah, Niall	Jennifer
7 th February	Tia	Martha, Charlie B	Bella-May
14 th February	George	Reggie C, Esmat	Franky

