

St Luke's CE Primary, ENDON

'Helping Lights Shine For All'



26th January 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

A belated welcome back to the new year and new term – I trust all has started well for you all and you are still refreshed from the break.

Events already passed:

Already Y5 & 6 have visited the **Dog's Trust** to and a real life spark to their learning. The impact on their writing has been incredible. Year 3 & 4 have visited **Chester** and met a 'Roman' which has helped to ignite their enthusiasm. Year 1 & 2 have been over to the **High School** for a sports afternoon – still not sure they were entirely tired out but we gave it a good go! Reception class are preparing for a trip to the *farm* after half term.

Our **school council** have procured, planned and delivered a permanent track around our playground to encourage children to run during the day. The response from the other children has been amazing with scores of children now running or walking more than a mile each day. This was a really creative use of our additional PE funding – well done to our young leaders.

Our brilliant **netball team**, coached by Mrs Blainey and Mrs Elkin, finished a very creditable 4th in the recent Staffs Moorlands netball tournament. Their skills and determination were fantastic!

Last Tuesday, our school was recognised for its outstanding commitment to health, well-being and sport. We were awarded the prestigious **Gold Mark** – our gratitude goes to the staff and in particular Mr Stokes for the depth and breadth of opportunities provided for all of our children.

Crazy Hair Day – 2nd February

Our Charity Co-ordinators, with the support of Miss Dunn, Miss Taylor and Mr Jennings, have planned an exciting day for next Friday. This is in support of the Little Princess Trust. We hope to raise in excess of £500 (enough for two wigs to support young people suffering with hair loss due to treatments for cancer).

Y2 Assembly – 9th February

Y2 have started their preparations for their class assembly. We look forward to seeing you on 9th February to celebrate their learning with them.

Polite reminder

The school car park should not be used for dropping off and collecting children (other than those in Fast Club). It is dangerous and neither the school, nor drivers, are insured for this kind of use. We want to avoid locking the gates and prefer to work as we always do, in a trusting and collaborative manner. Please continue to support us in this, as the vast majority of people do. There is a reality that three or four people could cause a difficulty for all of us. Please pass this message to those who may collect on your behalf as well.

Academisation meeting

Thank you for the strong turn out to our meeting on Monday. The CEO of the MAT was encouraged by the degree of parental engagement in the school. The questions raised were really helpful in adding even more clarity to the presentation. The consultation period ends on Monday 29th and you are encouraged to email Jane Cox (Chair of the Governing Board) if there are comments to be added.