



21st November 2016

Dear Parent and Carers,

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK The theme of this week and the remainder of the month is to support anti bullying, be aware of E – Safety and cyber bullying when using a variety of technologies.

VALUES OF Respect, Empathy and
Compassion **continued**



YOGA and MINDFULNESS Mrs Hothi explained the importance of Kartik festival in the Bhakti Yoga tradition. She retold the story of Kartik through numerous yoga postures. The children considered how to make the most of the last days of Kartik, known as Bhisma Pancaka through mindfulness activities. It is said during this month any spiritual activity that is performed, it is multiplied many times during the last few days.

“One should always remember Supreme Lord Hari. Devotees should try to do more Harinam Chanting. Do extra rounds and more kirtana”.

SCIENCE WEEK We are looking forward to a week of **HEALTHY LIVING AND FITNESS** The aim is to encourage all children to participate in lots of science based investigations and to grab their imagination and enthusiasm. Throughout the learning we hope to:

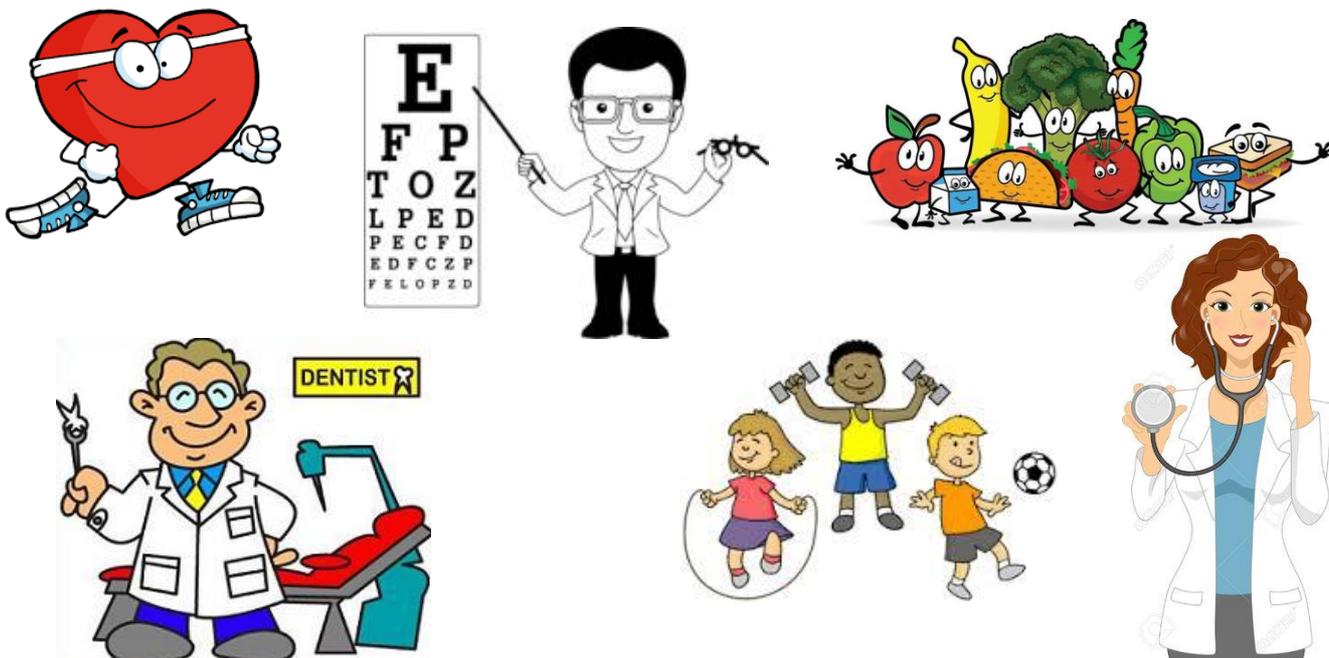
- encourage the children to see themselves as scientist
- show how important science is in our lives
- encourage science learning through cross curricular links
- promote learning with parents and carers
- show-case and celebrate individual learners, share success and enthusiasm.

We would like to welcome you in to come and help out during the week if you have any spare time - no prior knowledge necessary. Science and technology is all around us. You may be in a profession where you use science every day. Please come and talk to your child’s class about your job. The children would

gain much knowledge from your career and feel inspired too.

If your profession is related to health and fitness, please come and talk about your job. The children will be delighted to listen to you.

We have many splendid learning opportunities, including a special Paralympic sports person visiting who will coach the children, two smoothie bikes and much more.



Smoothie Bike Day organised by Govinda catering – This will be on Tuesday 29th

November. We would like your child to bring a variety of fruits to school, so that they can make their very own fruity zingy healthy drink. We kindly request that the fruit is brought to school on Tuesday morning, since we do not have the capacity to store it and keep it fresh. Parent Mail will be sent out to you to contribute a few of the follow items :

1. Frozen berries
2. Frozen strawberries
3. Ice already frozen
4. Apple juice
5. Honey



We look forward to you joining us at our annual science week activities.



Thank You!!!



Visiting Speaker On Wednesday, Sorcha came to our school to talk to the children about Remembrance and the issues connected with it. She was impressed by the children's attentiveness and engagement. She reminded the children of the importance of keeping the memory alive of the men, who gave their lives during the Battle of Britain and the role of inspiring younger generations was a key aim for her visit. We shall continue to forge links with the education department to learn more about this historical period in history. Well done children – you were thoughtful in your questions and behaved splendidly.



School Council and Eco Committee – 2016/ 2017



Congratulations Councillors! Remember that your job is to represent the best interests of the whole school without any favour.

We are happy to share with you our School Council for this year.

Their aim is to improve and to develop our school. They intend to make our school a better place and they will try to encourage all pupils to have a voice of their own and build their leadership skills.



Class	School Councillor Representative	ECO Representative
1A	Kiara Dhruv	Niya Maury
1B	Dru	Stuti Veyan
2A	Siya Abhay	Kiyan Jayden
2B	Keshavi Vaajas	Jil Dilan
3A	Radharani	Yash Veera
3B	Aarav	Neil
4A	Riyan Aniyora	Prayag
5A	Krrish Prianshi	Esha Karthek
6A	Dylan	Yogeetaa

AND FINALLY...

You may have noticed that we have a new electronic signing in and out system at school. It is an effective piece of software that tracks attendance, punctuality and safeguarding matters. We shall be using the software to track the lateness of children. Please ensure that your child is on time for school. The school considers punctuality to be as important as attendance.

School opens from 7.50am when a 'Soft Start' begins. Learning starts at 8.00am. A late arrival means that your child may miss vital curriculum time if they are continually late for school. This will be followed up by a meeting and a referral to our Education Welfare Officer. She visits the school regularly to check and monitor every child's attendance. She has highlighted we need to improve our attendance. As such we will be introducing a range of initiatives.

Obviously, **I would like to say Well Done to all those children who arrive on time every day.**

In relation to attendance, when your child is absent from school they miss the learning opportunities and experiences that have been planned. Each and every day is very important.

Learning across the curriculum is planned for and developed over sequences of lessons. Each lesson is therefore important.

Wishing you a good week ahead.

Mrs Bindu Rai, Principal

DIARY DATES for the autumn term to help you plan ahead. You'll see from the dates there's plenty to look forward to. There will be some additions of workshops and class trips. However, a separate letter will be sent home.

23/11/16	Year 6 Workshop about travel safety
24/11/16	Science Week commences (mid -week)
28/11/16	Paralympic sports person to visit the school
29/11/16	Smoothie bike rides
30/11/16	Prospective Reception parents Talk and Tour of school 9.30 – 10.45am
30/11/16	Reading Workshop Year 1 and Year 2 at 2.45pm -TBC
30/11/16	Celebration assembly about Science
30/11/16	School nurse visiting – Height and Weight measurements TBC
07/12/16	Prospective Reception parents Talk and Tour of school 9.30 – 10.45am
13/12/16	Parent Consultation 1 evening
14/12/16	Parent Consultation 2 evening
16/12/16	Reception Nativity production for parents/ carers am
16/12/16	End of term
09/01/17	Pupils Return
09/01/17	No After School Clubs this week
10/01/17	RSBP Bird Watch month commences
16/01/17	After School Clubs commence
19/01/17	KAPSH Has Got Talent Show in the evening – details to follow