

#### **Message from Mrs McDonald**

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a very busy first half term of this academic year! I have been immensely impressed with how the children have settled back into school quickly and how they have tackled the start of the new school year. We have introduced a few new schemes of work to further enhance our curriculum. These include CUSP for Geography, History, Science, Art and DT. Also, Purple Mash for computing and the Bradford RE Syllabus. Already, we have seen the quality of the children's work in the afternoon improve dramatically as well as their knowledge, vocabulary, and skills. Here are some amazing examples of the children's work:





If you wish to find out more about what your child has been learning this half term, each class has a page on our school website where you can see an overview of each half term.

The curriculum will be further enhanced next half term with the start of visits and visitors. All children will be going on three educational visits every year to broaden their understanding of topics in class, improve vocabulary and also raise aspirations.

This half term, you may have heard your child talking about being in the red/yellow/green or blue zone. This is part of our new Regulation Procedure in school. We are helping children to recognise their emotions and assist in regulation to support the children further with their behaviour in and out of school. There is a little activity that you can do with your child on the final page of the newsletter over the holidays. More information on the Zones of Regulation can be found on our school website.

It has been hugely successful half term for parental involvement. Many classes have had Fabulous Finish events involving parents/carers. There have been workshops for Phonics, Reading, KS1 and Year 6. Our re-arranged sports day was yet again upset by the rain but we didn't let it stop us this time and brought the sports day inside! Miss Perkins has been busy running coffee mornings weekly and ESOL classes also. There will be more events for parents/carers coming up next half term. A list of these can be seen on the next page.

We break up from school today for 2 weeks and we look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 31st October at 8:40 a.m.

### Mrs McDonald





The Award for OUTSTANDING NEW EACHER OF THE YEAR R AWARD



# **Ħô m E to ô r k**

After the holidays, all children will be given a homework book. The homework will be set on a Friday and will need returning to school the following Wednesday for marking. During the holidays, please continue to read with your child either using their school reading books/books from home/magazines/cereal packets/any type of reading material that you can find at home! Please also allow your child to spend some time on the following apps/websites:

Year 6 - SATs companion Years 3 to 6 - Times tables rockstars Reception to Year 2 - Phonics Play



#### Staffing announcements

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

w.c. 31st October – Ghosts and Ghouls reading week (see separate letter for this)

**16th November** – Parent/Carer Consultations (School will close at 1:15 on this day)

18th November – Children in Need day
1st December – Film night KS1
8th December – Film night KS2
15th December – Winter Fair

Parent/carer coffee mornings will continue every Wednesday in the parent hut.



#### SCHOOL SHOES

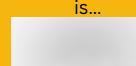
We have noticed an increase of children wearing trainers on non PE days. Black shoes are part of the school uniform and therefore they must be worn on all days other than PE days. Black boots with no embellishments are permitted during the colder months.

## **PE uniform**

Our PE uniform consists of a white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms or black shorts, black trainers and their school jumper/cardigan. Children can come to school in their PE kit on their PE days.

# Attendance

### Our school attendance target



# Our whole school attendance for this half term is...

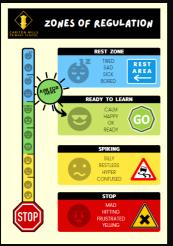


Good school attendance is vital for your child/children to make progress and keep up with their peers. Please ensure they come to school every day and on time. Thank you!



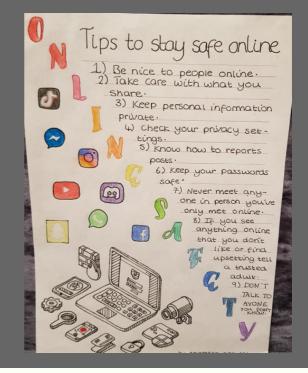
### Try this at home.

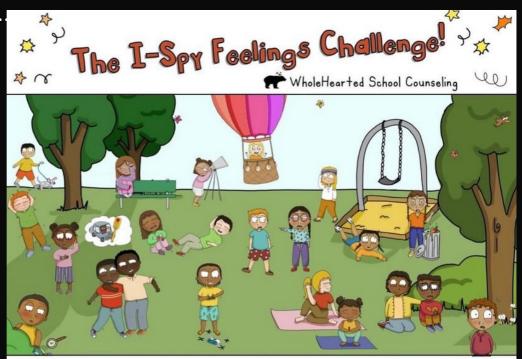
Sometimes it is hard to recognise and label feelings. When we make it a fun challenge, practising things that are difficult becomes easier and easier. Try this challenge at home with your child/children to help them label and recognise feelings.





Children love to spend a little bit more time on their devices during the holidays. Please ensure that they are supervised and follow the advice in the poster below:





How many of the feelings can you find in this picture?

- 5 HAPPY OR AMUSED
- 1 DISGUSTED
- □ 3 WORRIED OR SCARED
- a SAD OR DISAPPOINTED
- 1 EMBARRASSED
- 1 CONCERNED
- 3 ANGRY OR ANNOYED
- 1 BRAVE
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- 3 PEACEFUL OR RELAXED