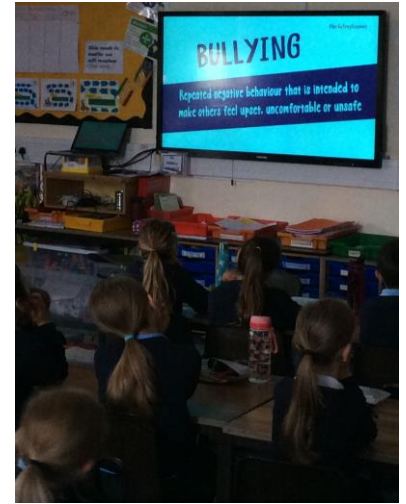


Dear Parents/Carers,

**The BIG Anti-Bullying Assembly:**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September the whole school joined thousands of other schools Nationwide to watch The BIG Anti-Bullying Assembly. This was a special film brought together by the Nationwide Building Society and The Diana Award that aims to help tackle all forms of bullying.



Children and celebrities talked through how bullying had affected them. They also then explained the importance of speaking out and having their own support network.

Following on from the assembly all children pledged to stop bullying. They produced an anti-bullying poster; the winner will be

announced next week and their design will be made into a banner for the front of the school.

*"It was cool how people were telling us about their own experiences" Kyann Sutton*

*"I hope it will lead to children who are being bullied having more friends" Lacey Ward*

**Transition to Secondary:**

Year six had an inspiring taster day at The Dean Academy, where they took part in a variety of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Maths) activities. The children were challenged to build a tower that would support the weight of a potato, using only tape and spaghetti! They built the tallest tower reaching a massive 48cm! They also investigated volts, finding out which fruits would make the best battery. 'I loved experimenting with fruit and learning new skills'- Annabel. The



children were extremely impressed with the school and the teachers. 'The lesson was exciting, and the teachers were really helpful.'- Finley.

We hope to be taking part in more taster days in partnership with The Dean



Academy in the near future, enabling the children to think about their future education and next steps.



**House Points:**

Week ending 18<sup>th</sup> September:

Red 141, Blue 137, Yellow 116 and Green 85

Week ending 25<sup>th</sup> September:

Red 124, Green 110, Yellow 109 and Blue 106.

**Attendance and Punctuality:**

Attendance is going to fluctuate more than normal; however, we still intend to report the percentages as it remains an area of focus for us. If your child is displaying symptoms and absent from school, please get them tested as soon as possible and keep the school informed with test results. If they are off relating to Covid-19 it will not affect their attendance. Please don't panic if unsure what to do, just ring 119 and seek advice, then ring the main office.

Classes	Week beginning 14/9/2020	Week beginning 21/9/2020	Overall Percentage:
Class 5	98.52%	99.26%	96.65%
Class 4	99.24%	100% - WOW	98.89%
Class 3	97.50%	98.21%	97.57%
Class 2	99.69%	95.76%	98.15%
Class 1	100% - WOW	100% - WOW	99.18%

**Star of the Week**



Congratulations to Henry, Alexander, Esme, Zia-Rose and Zachary who are our winners for the week ending 18<sup>th</sup> September



Congratulations to Ruby-Mae, Kyann, Lily, Rupert and Max who are our Stars for the week ending 25<sup>th</sup> September

**Mental Health Support:**

Over the last few weeks, the children have been asked to choose an emoji face that represents how they are feeling, they had the opportunity to discuss their emotion and create it using clay, they have painted them and these will be added to our well-being wall.

They look fantastic!



**Healthy Eating Week:**

As it was Healthy Eating Week this week, the children in Breakfast Club created a rainbow using fruit and vegetables. They discussed why eating a balanced diet creates a good mindset and a positive attitude.

The children explored why getting the right vitamins and minerals in their diet will help them grow, be more energised and motivated. Roscoe Connors from our new reception class was able to name all the fruit and vegetables and also talked about how to use them in cooking, very impressive!



Well done Rosie Baldwin on becoming the first child this year to gain her pen licence

**Achievements out of School:**

Well done to Bea for her winning anti-litter poster. Her photo has appeared on the Foresters Forest page.



Double celebrations, as Bea attended the Gloucestershire FA Girls U12 Trials on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> with about 40 other invitees. She heard at the end of last week that she has been given one of the twelve

places for the 2020-21 U12 squad. She's very excited and will train every Monday evening at Gloucestershire FA Football Centre, as well as now attending County matches over the next year.



Congratulations Archie for winning your football trophy.



Congratulations to Poppy and Mavis her puppy. They have recently completed puppy training.

Well done to Ellie as she has gained a ballet certificate.

(Remember - please let me know of any additional achievements out of school, we'd love to congratulate you in school!



Miss Smith has launched our first competition for the term. It runs from today until Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October. Boys V Girls in each Junior class. Please encourage your child(ren) to join in as this is a great way to practise their tables!

Kind regards

*K. Burke*

Mrs K Burke

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

**Autumn Term 1 & 2**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October: School photographer - Colour Box in (Playgroup siblings to be taken to playgroup for 9.00)  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October: Mental Health Day - 'Hello Yellow' Non-Uniform - Children to wear anything with yellow on, donation of £1 towards the charity Young Minds

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October Virtual Harvest Assembly. (Donations accepted for the food bank)  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October: End of term

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Oct: HALF TERM

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November: INSET day - School closed to children  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: School open  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December: End of term

**Spring Term 1 & 2**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January School open  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb: End of term

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> Feb: HALF TERM  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb: INSET days - school closed to children

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb School open  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April End of term