#### **Kenyon Shield Winners**

Once again we are able to present our Kenyon Shields to those children who have really impressed us with their hard work, progress and behaviour since our return. Well done to them all.

Rec: Drew Stone

Year 1: Max Kirkham

Year 2: Albie Taylor Year 3: Fraser Gray

Year 4: Liam Murphy Year 5: Sophie Swallow

Year 6: Ava Kirkham



#### **Children with Cancer UK**

Sadly, my planned ride in the Prudential Ride London 100 in August 2020 did not take place due to Covid 19. All being well, I intend to complete the ride next summer. Fingers crossed. Quite a number of parents donated through the virginmoneygiving.com and that money, totalling £400 is now with Children with Cancer. A big, big thankyou to all those who donated. This money is much appreciated and I'm sure it'll help us in the search for a cure for and the fight against cancer.



# Halsall St Cuthbert's C.E. Primary School Newsletter: D

# New Member of Staff

I am pleased to announce that we have now appointed a permanent and full-time HLTA replacement for Mrs Green. Mrs Maria Dunne will be joining the team soon after we return from the half-term break. I'm sure that she'll be a fabulous asset to the school and we hope that she'll enjoy her time with us. Initially. Mrs Dunne will be supporting children in Class G and providing HLTA cover on Fridays in Class C.

# **Safer Cycling**

Year 6 Tues 16th Wed 17th November

Please could parents ensure that bicycles are in good condition and are roadworthy. Thanks



#### School Staffing Sadly, Mrs Wilson leaves

us today after 10 years as a teaching assistant at the school. We wish her the very best of luck. She'll be missed. I am pleased to say that Mrs Harrison is now feeling much better and she should be back with us after the half-term break.

# **Masks: Compulsory**

In line with new guidance and following a review of our Covid19 procedures, everyone who enters the school playground to drop-off or collect, or who comes to the school office to speak to a member of staff, drop-off a child or collect from Kidz Club,

#### must wear a face mask.

This will be effective from the first day back after half-term, Monday 2nd November. If you have family/friends helping with transport etc,

please let them know as a matter of urgency. Could I also remind everyone that adults waiting in the playground at the end of the day, must do their best to follow social distancing guidelines and must try to remain at least 2 metres apart.

Thanks for your understanding and support. We want to reduce transmission, keep our school open, help the children to catch-up and enable parents to go to work.

## Let's Keep our School Open

The fact that we've managed to get through to half-term without closing any bubbles is a big, big relief. With most children making excellent progress and everyone catching up on work missed, the last thing that we wanted was a school closure.

I think the fact that we've done so well so far, is due to 3 factors.

- The planning and preparation that was carried out by staff prior to school reopening and the organisation around school with regards to bubbles, sanitation, pick-up and drop-off, lunches etc. This has been fabulous.
- 2. The domestic procedures that parents have in-place along with the vigilance in identifying Covid 19 symptoms and prompt action to self-isolate or organise tests.
- 3. Lady luck. We could have everything in place to help prevent transmission and an outbreak but if an infectious and asymptomatic child did attend school, there would have been nothing that we could have done.

#### We hope and pray that our luck continues.

Please continue to be on high-alert over the half-term break and maintain all the good practices and routines that you've already established. It is working and it's helping to keep school disruption to a minimum. Good luck. Thanks again.

#### **Swimming**

Due to Covid, there is now a small change to our swimming timetable.

Children from Class G will continue to attend swimming lessons throughout the autumn term. During the spring term 2021, children from Class C will attend swimming lessons.

Many thanks.

**School Re-opens Monday 2nd Nov** 8-30am **Breakfast Club** from 7-30am

Please e-mail to book your place

### School Council

Every term, each year group will elect a boy and a girl for the school council.

Representatives for this autumn term are:

Year 1: Jack and Anya

Year 2: Jonah and Annabelle

Year 3: Louis and Lexie

Year 4: Charlie and Grace

Year 5: Finlay and Daisy Year 6: Harrison and Sydney

The councillors will have a voice when we are considering such things as : charities to raise money for, the faith gar-

den, balls at playtime, special visits and events, school rules,

### **Visit to Chester Zoo**

Children from Class H and K will be visiting Chester Zoo in November. They'll be learning all about animal classifications, learning about animal habitats, discussing the case for and against keeping animals in captivity and considering the concept of extinction and its implication to our world.

We have managed gain free entry tickets for our school party so there is only the cost of transport to consider. A letter with more detail about the trip, will be sent out in November.

