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***Learning together. Achieving together.***

## **BEHAVIOUR**

We have been working on a new behaviour policy over the last few weeks. It very much focuses on positive behaviour reinforcement and is based on the work of Paul Dix. It replaces our current traffic light system. We have involved the children in discussions about behaviour, including surveying their views and feeding back ideas through the School Parliament.

We have now established the “Waverton Way” involving three clear rules – Be Ready, Be Respectful and Be Safe. There will be an emphasis on praise and recognition of good behaviour, with clear consistent steps to deal with behaviour that doesn’t meet the 3 rules. All of this is set out on one sheet of A4 (attached). We will send certificates home for children who go above and beyond or consistently exhibit good behaviour and will let you know if your child has had a timeout in another classroom (step 6).

## **SPORTS EVENTS**

We have sent teams to the following events in the past couple of weeks:

Cheshire Schools A and B Basketball at Ellesmere Sports Village - A team were runners up, Under 11 ESFA Cheshire finals -team narrowly lost to the overall winners, Chester Schools A and B netball tournaments – competed well in both events, and the Under 9 Chester Schools Football tournament – runners up in a tough group.



**Netball Teams at Blacon High School**



U11 Football team at Cheshire Finals

## **SCHOOL TIMINGS**

We are noticing an increasing number of children arriving after the start of the school day on a regular basis. It is important that the children arrive in school by 8.55am as it does make a real difference if they are ready to start on time. We will ensure that we open the doors in a timely manner.

## **FUNDRAISING**

School Parliament came up with a recent non-uniform day idea in aid of the people and animals affected by the Australian Bushfires which raised £415.94. The school disco was well attended this week raising over £500.00. Thanks to the PTA as ever for arranging everything. Our next fundraiser will be Comic Relief day on Friday 13th March. I have asked the children to come up with some ideas for the day which we will share shortly after half term. And of course there is Easter Bingo night on Wednesday 1st April. The PTA recently asked for parents/guardians to complete a short survey to get their views and ideas to help improve future events and planning. Please follow this link <https://forms.gle/NfjF2SnQ5vnLWDF17>

## **CORONA VIRUS**

The government sent out recent advice to all schools on the Corona virus. We have attached the advice below. Basically it just emphasises good hygiene and it is something we will reinforce with the children in school. We would be grateful if you could send your child to school with a small packet of tissues that can be kept in their pocket.

<https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5e35b25740f0b609169cb52a/coronavirus-public-info-poster-2.pdf>

## **NEW STARTERS**

We are very pleased to welcome our new children, Ella and Maisie (who is joining after half term). We will all do everything we can to ensure they settle in and enjoy school life with us.

## **MOBILE PHONES**

Whilst we understand that many of our older children walk home from school alone and mobile phones are a form of communication for parents/guardians, **we need written permission from a parent/guardian for children to have a mobile phone in school. Phones should be locked and handed into the class teacher at the start of the school day.** The children are not permitted to have them on their person during school hours and will have them taken from them if found using or carrying them around. They will be returned to the child at the end of the school day.

## **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

As you are may be aware, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible for Universal Free School Meals. All pupils in these year groups will be able to receive a school meal at no cost to the parent/guardian.

However, some children may be eligible to receive Pupil Premium Free School Meals as an alternative. We are asking parents and guardians whose income would entitle them to the Pupil Premium (see form attached) and would therefore have a statutory entitlement to a Pupil Premium Free School Meal to complete the form. The Pupil Premium is extra money given to school to spend on resources such as one to one tutoring, help with school trips etc.. For 2019/2020 this is **£1320 per pupil**. Funding is based on children registered for a free school meal, further reinforcing the importance of making sure all those who qualify are actually registered.

## **SCHOOLGRID**

May we please remind you to log into your SchoolGrid account to pre-book your child's lunches for after half term. Also, if your child is on a school trip it is your responsibility to cancel any pre-booked lunch for that day - or you may still be charged.

## **PARKING**

We are, as always, concerned with unsafe parking along Common Lane, including driving up the pavement and parking on double yellow lines, making it difficult to cross the road safely. I have contacted our Police Community Support Officer to look into parking practises around the school.

## **POLICE ASSEMBLIES**

Our local PCSO's will be delivering assemblies throughout the year. We have had talk on the "Roles of the Police" and "Cyber Safety" delivered to KS2 children.

A Parent Internet Safety Talk with PCSO Linda Bailey will take place on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March, 6.00-7.00pm.

This half term certainly went by in a flash. Let's hope it's the end of the bad weather! We look forward to seeing everyone safe and well after the break on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

FSM Form  
CWAC Low Cost Events  
STAC Swim School  
Behaviour Sheet