

### **Newsletter 5**

Term 1 4th October 2021

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### **INSET DAY @ OABL**

A reminder that Friday 22nd October will be an INSET day @ OABL. The school will be closed for pupils on Friday 22nd October 2021. We will return to school after the Half Term break on Monday 1st November 2021.

## FARESHARE FOOD/ FOOD PANTRY

We are now calling our FARESHARE food delivery-Food Pantry. Food from fareshare will be available to be collected after school every Thursday from the Hub Room.



### FREE FUN FIT SESSIONS FOR PARENTS @ OABL MONDAYS 9:00AM WITH MRS GILES

Do you want to get fit! Do you want a quick and easy exercise session straight after drop off? Come to our FREE FUN FIT sessions for parents starting on Monday 4th October in the Hub Room in school

### All abilities welcome:

10 slots available – sign up at the office

Time: 9:00am -9.30am

Sessions will vary from cardio and bodyweight exercises

to dancefit



### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS THIS FRIDAY (8/10/21)!

We have the school photographer in this Friday to take individual photos of the children. There is also the opportunity to have sibling photos taken if you would like to. These will be available from 8:00 am on Friday (8th October). If you would like sibling photos of your children (or cousins) please bring them to the



hall doors from 8:00- these photos will be taken on a first come first serve basis. We ask for parents to supervise their children whilst they wait for photographs to be taken and, where possible, parents to then take their children round to their class doors for the start of the day after this. We will have staff on hand to help facilitate this should it be raining, or numbers are large. Please work with us on the day- we all want the same outcome, great snaps of your lovely children!

### **CENSUS DAY-THURSDAY 7TH OCTOBER**

This Thursday is census day. What does that mean? This is the day that information is taken by the government about our school and funding is given to us based on the pupils we have. It is a VERY IMPORTANT day for the school. The more children we have in that day the more funding the school receives. Please support us by sending your child to school on Thursday. There are lots of exciting activities going on in school (as always!) and a special lunch is being put on by the kitchen staff.

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

October marks Black History Month in the UK. As a school we will be celebrating famous black and minority figures throughout history who have changed the way we live and inspired us. Our curriculum at Bank Leaze has been carefully crafted to ensure that our pupils are continually exposed and educated on a wide variety of cultures, heritages and minority figures- we know that inclusion makes the world a happier place which is what we want for our pupils. We recognise the importance of Black History Month and love to join in the celebrations with the rest of the country. Ask your child what they have learnt so far!



### URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

LONG LIFE / UHT MILK

**TINNED POTATOES** 

TINNED FRUIT

SPONGE PUDDINGS

WASHING-UP LIQUID

DEODORANT

CRISPS & OTHER SAVORY SNACKS

SWEET TREATS

### HARVEST FESTIVAL @ OABL

For Harvest this year we are collecting donations for the North Bristol Foodbank. If you are able, please choose an item from the list of items which are currently urgently needed and drop them off in the box in the foyer by the office.





### **SUMDOG COMPETITION**

Over the last week, children in years 3-6 have been competing in a Sumdog competition against 68 classes from around Bristol. The challenge was to answer 1,000 questions over the 5 days and get as many correct as possible. I am pleased to announce that Team Bank Leaze did very well!

Congratulations to our KS2 classes who all finished in the top 10! Y5 Joyful Jaguars finished **7**<sup>th</sup>, Y3 Considerate Chameleons finished **6**<sup>th</sup>, Y6 Compassionate Cheetahs finished **5**<sup>th</sup> and Y4 Honest Hippos finished **2**<sup>nd</sup> overall! To celebrate your success, a set of Billionaire Boy's Times Table Game will be coming to each class to help you keep up the good work!



Also, a big shout out to the following children who finished in the top 10 of the 310 who entered! Braian in Compassionate Cheetahs Y6 finished **9**<sup>th</sup> and a huge congratulations to **Rhylee** in Compassionate Cheetahs Y6 who finished **1**<sup>st</sup> across the whole competition and will be receiving a £10 Amazon gift voucher. Well done everyone!

#### **READ AT HOME, READ AT SCHOOL!**

In EYFS and KS1 if the children share their reading books with you at home, they get to spend time with our school guinea pig- Mable! Reading at home is so important and will really help the children to move up the reading levels.

At school, we are looking for volunteers to come in and read with our KS2 children. Reading is an important part of our curriculum and we are always looking at how we can ensure children are enjoying reading in school. If you feel that you could volunteer some of your time, we would love to hear from you! Please do get in touch via the school office or the Bank Leaze info account if you can.

### **OASIS 9 HABITS**

This month we will be looking at 'Who am I becoming?'. This work builds on last month where we looked at 'Who am I?'Now the children have a greater understanding of themselves we are encouraging them to think about who they want to become both in academic achievement and personal character as well.



In our habits and well being assembly this week we talked about how we can use the habits to help us deal with unacceptable behaviour. We also watched a video from the NSPCC reminding us to speak out!

Here are the behaviour indicators we are looking for this month:

- Is able to make the connection between their attitude, choices and behaviours and as a result is becoming more self-aware.
- Is a pleasure to be around and creates a positive environment for others.
- Has developed greater inner confidence and peace and this is having an incredibly positive impact on their external behaviours





# Star of the Week!

A HUGE well done to this weeks winners. You've worked really hard and have shown an exceptional attitude to learning!

R	Yaqoob	For always being considerate and compassionate to others.
1	Belle	Great storytelling, illustrating and always using your imagination.
2	Iseq	For working hard on his handwriting and completing indepdent challenges in the outdoor learning area.
3	Omar	For great focus during shared reading— answering in full sentences and using a high-lighter to support his work— so grown up!
4	Zuzanna	For fantastic work on place value when rounding to the nearest 1000.
5	Issac– Eddie	For fantastic autobiography writing in English.
6	Mir– Wahid Braian	For an excellent first week at OABL! For being a great friend to Mir-Wahid in his first week.

### **WEEK 4 ATTENDANCE** 27th Sept- 1st Oct 2021 Reception 91.0% Year 1 92.1% Year 2 97.4% Year 3 95.7% Year 4 92.6% Year 5 94.7% Year 6 87.8% Whole School 93.22%

### **ATTENDANCE**

We are going through a really challenging time attendance wise. We know there are lots of tummy bugs and coughs and colds going around, which can't be helped. However, we remind parents of our pre pandemic attendance excellence! We can do this Bank Leaze! If your child is a bit 50/50 about school, a reminder you can always bring some calpol to the office for us to give at lunchtime. Every day counts in school. If you child's attendance drops below 97% they are at risk of falling behind in their learning. Last week the overall school attendance was 93%. We are celebrating 100% attendance and IMPROVED attendance in school- let's et your child celebrated!

### **ABSENCE FOR LEAVE REQUESTS**

If you need to request leave for an appointment or other occasion, please make sure you are applying in good time (2 weeks notice minimum) via the office. Once you have filled out the form a text message will be sent to you letting you know if your leave has been approved. We know that your child may occasionally need approved leave and we are very happy to support you with this. When we are looking into whether the leave will be authorised or unauthorised we take the child's attendance to date I to account.