

Friday 11th October 2024

Weekly Newsletter

The **DIAMOND**
Learning Partnership Trust
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To be the best you can be!



Dear Parents and carers,

The last few weeks has been bustling with activity!

We recently held a Garden Force morning, where parents came together to help beautify our school grounds. Volunteers worked hard weeding, sanding, and pruning, making a big difference in our outdoor space. A huge thank you to all the parents who joined us—your support and effort are greatly appreciated! Additionally, we hosted a "Fun with Phonics" event, where parents joined our KS1 phonics group to support their children's learning in an engaging way.

We were also honoured to have Mr. Fisher, the Principal of Ernulf Academy, visit Year 6. He took the time to review applications for the Head Boy and Head Girl positions, inspiring our children to showcase their leadership skills.

Our daily Zumba sessions have been a fantastic way to kick off the day! It's been wonderful to see both children and parents joining in, creating a lively and energetic start to our mornings. Thank you to everyone for participating and making it such a fun experience!

I am thrilled to announce the arrival of baby Monty, welcomed into the world by Mrs. Myers on Tuesday! Congratulations to Mrs. Myers on this wonderful addition! Wishing the entire family lots of love, joy, and precious moments together.

Thank you to everyone who participated in these events and supported our school community!

Mrs d'Arcy

World Mental Health Day

In Assembly on Monday Mrs d'Arcy introduced World Mental Health Day. This is a special day celebrated on 10th October every year. It's all about taking care of our minds and feelings, just like we take care of our bodies.



Just like everyone can get a cold or a sore throat, people can also feel sad, anxious, or stressed. It's important to talk about these feelings so that everyone understands they're not alone. This day reminds us to take care of our mental health by doing things that make us happy, like playing, spending time with friends, or trying new hobbies.

This day encourages everyone to talk about their feelings. If you're feeling upset or worried, it's good to share those feelings with someone you trust, like a teacher, parent, or friend. It's also a day to be kind to others. Sometimes, people might be having a tough time, and a little kindness can go a long way.

World Mental Health Day is a reminder that it's okay to ask for help, to talk about our feelings, and to be kind to ourselves and others!

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Wednesday 9 th October—Tuesday 15 th October	Bookfair in the main hall from 3:20pm until 4:20pm.
Tuesday 22 nd October	History off the page—Life in Roman Britain for year 3 and Year 4 Children.
Tuesday 22 nd October	Parents Evening 3.30pm—7pm
Wednesday 23 rd October	Parents Evening 3.30pm— 6pm
Thursday 24 th October	PTA Halloween Disco Reception & KS1 3.30pm—4.30pm. KS2 4:45pm— 6pm
Monday 28 th October—Friday 1 st November	Half Term
Monday 4 th November	Training Day– no children in school.
Tuesday 5 th November	Autumn Term continues
Wednesday 13 th November	9am– 10am Sums and Buns: Parents invited to sit with your child in a maths lesson.
Friday 15 th November	Children In Need—details to follow
Wednesday 20 th November	Reception—Einstein Class Vision Screening
Friday 22 nd November	Flu Vaccination Programme– details to follow

Attendance Matters!

Any class with 100% attendance for the week will be able to break two uniform rules the following Friday. For example, wear trainers, wear bright coloured socks, wear nail varnish, wear a bright coloured jumper etc. The class with the best attendance of the week will receive an extra playtime the following week.

Class	Weekly Attendance % WB 23 rd September	Weekly Attendance % WB 30 th September
Einstein	95.83%	88.19%
Coleman	94.40%	98.4%
Rashford	95.38%	97.31%
Frank	98.18%	96%
Attenborough	99.52%	99.05%
Nightingale	96%	95%
Armstrong	95.48%	95.56%
Jordan	90.71%	93.57%

The PTA presents a Halloween Disco

Thursday 24th October 2024 Tickets £3.00. Price includes a drink and a snack

Reception and Key Stage1 (Year 1 and 2 children) 3:30 pm – 4:30pm

Key Stage 2 (Year 3, 4, 5, 6 children) 4:45 pm – 6 pm KS2 Children can bring up to £3.00 extra cash to purchase additional snacks.



Events like this are only possible if parents join or offer to help the PTA.

Weekly Achievers Awards

Each week, class teachers will choose a achievers award to someone who has shown excellent effort and outstanding learning in school. These will be announced during our Friday assembly :-)

Class	Achievers 4 th October
Einstein	Lucas
Coleman	Faith
Rashford	Luna-Rose
Frank	Alana
Nightingale	Jacob
Attenborough	Jayden
Armstrong	Alex
Jordan	Riley

Class	Achievers 11 th October
Einstein	Kinda
Coleman	Jonathan
Rashford	Arthur
Frank	Bobbi
Nightingale	Lily
Attenborough	Deondre
Armstrong	Buddy
Jordan	Liliana

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RRR Award:

Matilda—Rashford Class

Matilda consistently displays all of the qualities of this award. She is very responsible and mature. We can rely on her to carry out any task or job with complete confidence that she will always do everything that is required. Matilda shows everyone in the school, both adults and other children, the utmost respect. She is very conscientious and considerate of all those around her. No matter who she works with, Matilda demonstrates an understanding of the feelings of others and shows their views and opinions complete respect. We are so proud of the way Matilda has started Year 1. Her commitment to her learning cannot be faulted. Well done Matilda. You are very deserving of this award.

Winhills Achievement Cup (WAC):

Maia Attenborough Class

Maia is a wonderful member of the Attenborough class. She has settled exceptionally well into Year 4. She consistently tries her best to improve her work, often going above and beyond what is expected. Her work ethic is simply amazing! Alongside this, Maia has a mature attitude and can always be relied upon to complete any task given to her. Her infectious smile and friendly nature make her a great friend and role model for her peers. Maia treats everyone with the utmost respect and kindness, which creates a positive atmosphere around her. Well done Maia! Your contributions are truly appreciated and I look forward to seeing you blossom even further this year.

Art Award:

Sophia Jordan Class

It is a pleasure to present Sophia with the Art award. With a keen eye for detail and excellent presentation, Sophia can apply precision and skill to all forms of art. Whilst this year so far, we are only just beginning our scheduled units, Sophia has demonstrated her enthusiasm and love for creativity through other subjects such as PSHE. At the start of the year, Sophia chose to represent our class idol, Michael Jordan, using a combination of different media: fine line drawing and shading. Combining these skills resulted in a fantastic piece showing Sophia's individuality for design. In addition, Sophia was able to show great skill for drawing from imagination and perception when creating and designing a leaflet about First Aid. The imagery she chose to depict was vibrant, relevant and captured the message she was presenting to her audience with clear intent.

Sophia, you have made a fantastic start showing your capabilities and I can't wait to see more fantastic art work from you in the coming weeks as we start work on new projects.

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RRR Award:

Isabella—Einstein Class

Isabelle truly deserves the RRR award this week as she shows that she is reliable, responsible and respectful in all she does. She thoroughly enjoys all aspects of school life and can be relied upon to try her hardest and perceivers with difficult challenges. Isabelle is always extremely honest and respectful towards members of staff and towards her peers.

She has shown to be a great role model all ready by ensuring both herself and her peers follow the school rules. She continuously strives to take responsibility for her learning and seeks advise to do more. Keep being reliable, responsible and respectful Isabelle – you are a credit to Einstein Class and we are all so proud of you

Winhills Achievement Cup (WAC):

Kingdavid –Armstrong Class

Since starting Year 5, Kingdavid has been working extremely hard in all of his subjects. His writing has developed wonderfully and the vocabulary he shares in lessons is incredible. Everyday his presentation is becoming neater and neater and his love of writing is continuing to grow. Kingdavid is never afraid to share his ideas with his peers and he always does this with a beaming smile on his face. His personality is wonderful and he continues to make everyone smile every day. Armstrong class are very lucky to have such a wonderful and happy young man in the classroom. Keep working hard and you will continue to be a superstar! Well done Kingdavid!

Art Award:

Henry Nightingale Class

It is a pleasure to present Henry with the Art award. With a keen eye for detail and excellent presentation, Henry can apply precision and skill to all forms of art. This year, we are only just beginning our artistic endeavours, Henry has demonstrated his enthusiasm and love for creativity in all his lessons. Over the last few weeks, Henry has shown a keen eye for detail in his sketching, drawing and shading. Combining these skills resulted in a fantastic piece of Frottage and beautiful detailed drawings of flowers thus showing Henry's individuality for design. The imagery he chose to depict was vibrant, relevant and captured the flower he was presenting beautifully.

Henry, you have made a fantastic start showing your capabilities and I can't wait to see more fantastic art work from you in the coming weeks as we start work on new projects.



Introducing Winhills Sports Crew



The Sports Crew for this year at Winhills Primary Academy are:

Riley	Junior	Elliott
Kira	Sophia	Alexandra
Saoirse	Aimee	Amzi
	Sophie	

Weekly Wellbeing Challenge



Every week we will send out some suggestions of things to do to keep the mind and body well and to keep on a positive path. This week try:

- Leave three happy notes for someone else to find in your house.
- Visit a virtual museum! Go online and explore the collections online.

Winhills Book Fair

The book fair will be running from Wednesday 9th October until 16th October - afterschool in the large hall from 3:20pm until 4:20pm.

SCHOLASTIC  TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME to the BOOK FAIR

And earn
FREE BOOKS
for our school!






Exciting News: Head Boy and Head Girl Appointed!

We are thrilled to announce the appointment of our new Head Boy and Head Girl and deputies for the upcoming academic year! After a thorough selection process, we are proud to introduce:

Head Boy: Amzi
Head Girl: Alisa

Deputy Head Boy: Ethan
Deputy Head Girl: Sophie



These exceptional children have showcased remarkable leadership skills, a strong commitment to our school values, and a passion for making a difference in our community. They will serve as ambassadors for our school, inspiring their peers and leading various initiatives throughout the year.

Their responsibilities include:

1. **Leadership:** Serve as role models for other students, demonstrating positive behaviour and school values.
2. **Representation:** Act as ambassadors for the school at events, such as assemblies, open days, and community functions.
3. **Communication:** Liaise between children and staff, conveying suggestions, concerns, and feedback from peers.
4. **Organising Activities:** Help plan and lead school events, such as fundraisers, sports days, and cultural celebrations.
5. **Supporting Peers:** Assist fellow children with any issues they may face and promote a supportive school environment.
6. **Encouraging Participation:** Motivate classmates to get involved in school activities, clubs, and initiatives.
7. **Promoting Inclusivity:** Ensure that all children feel welcome and included in school life.
8. **Upholding Diamond Values:** Reinforce the importance of respect, resilience, relationships, reflection, readiness and responsibility among children.
9. **Mentorship:** Support younger children, offering guidance and encouragement as needed.
10. **Collaborating with Staff:** Work closely with teachers and administration to help implement school programs and policies.

By embracing these responsibilities, the Head Boy, Head Girl and deputies will contribute to a positive and vibrant school culture.

Please join us in congratulating Amzi, Alisa, Sophie and Ethan on their well-deserved appointments. We look forward to their contributions and the positive influence they will have on our school community.

