Friday 13th October 2023

Dear All,

This week has been a very different week at Perrymount as the vast majority of our Year 6 children have been away on school journey at Broadstone Warren. While away we have received daily reports, which mention just how much fun they are having zip wiring, fencing and building fires! They are enjoying the food and sleeping well. Those Year 6s who stayed behind have had their very own home journey. They have had extra art and sports. Went for a day out to Greenwich and today have made their own pizzas. A huge thank you to Ms Thomas, Mr Santamaria and Mrs Harper who gave their time to allow the journey to happen.

Next Friday the 20th October Year 6 will be presenting both their home and away school journeys in an assembly at 10am. All Year 6 parents/carers are invited to come and hear about what went on.

On Monday Year 5 and 6 visited Forest Hill School to listen to the author

Alasdair Beckett-King and on Thursday, the author James Allen came into Perrymount to read his new book to every class.

Then on Tuesday the 10th in Year 2 and 5 we had a workshop on the dangers of Carbon Monoxide in the home. It was very interesting and the children enjoyed learning about something new and in a different way.

**Friends of Perrymount Dates for your Diaries**

**9am on Wednesday 18th October** the Friends will be holding a Christmas fair meeting. Come along and give your support towards this future event.

**After school on the 18th October** is a Friends uniform and cake sale which is always popular and very yummy. The sale is held in the playground at the end of the school day. We have lots of uniform available but need cakes to sell on the day. Please send your donations in on the 17th & 18th of October. All money raised goes towards helping the school.

**Nursey to Year 2 DISCO**

On Thursday November 2nd we will be holding a sparkling disco. It starts at 3.30 and ends at 5.30. The cost will be £5 and the money raised goes towards the children’s Christmas celebrations. A separate letter, with all the information on, will be sent home next week.

**Attendance and lateness**

This week’s figures are…

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| Class | Attendance | How many lates? |
| Reception | 95.47% | 1 |
| Year 1 | 90.44% | 5 |
| Year 2 | 95.47% | 2 |
| Year 3 | 93% | 2 |
| Year 4 | 96.67% | 1 |
| Year 5 | 98.41% | 1 |
| Year 6 | 98.08% | N/ASch Journey |

Congratulations to Year 5, this week’s attendance cup winner, and to Reception, Year 4 and 5 for having the lowest number of lates.

**Half Term**

Half term also begins at the end of next week: Friday October 20th. The children return to school on Monday 30th October.

**Member of Staff Leaving**

It is with real sadness that I have to tell you that Terri Harper, who has worked at Perrymount since 2009 is leaving us. Mrs Harper has been the driving force behind our phonics programme, goes on school journeys and is popular with the entire school community. We will all really miss her. Mrs Harper is leaving us to work nearer home and we cannot blame her for that. What I can say, with totally honesty, is that her new school is very lucky to have her.

Best wishes,

Chris Keen