

31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the half term break – we hope you managed to dodge the rain showers and that you were not hit too hard with the flooding we had at the end of the last half term.

In a move to keep parents more informed in what your child/children will be learning in school, following on from the recent parents' surveys, we would like to share with you our weekly plans for our assemblies.

Our assemblies happen daily and are led by the teachers. Once a week classes stay with their class teacher and have a 'Class Crew Assembly'. This is a time for our pupils to reflect on their week and think about self-improvement. The other assemblies during the week give us time to recognise and celebrate different religious festivals, national and international days of recognition, seasonal singing and our newest initiative is the sharing of a range of diverse and thought provoking picture books – all of which will cover something topical.

We would encourage you to take time to talk to your children about their assemblies. Ask them questions – see what they can remember – what they learnt. As a team, we spend a long time planning a culturally diverse and wide-ranging assembly plan, which we share with teachers – teachers then spend time planning the delivery of their assembly. It would be great if you could measure the impact of assemblies at home. We would love you to share feedback with us – through email, or with class teachers or indeed any of us when you see us on the gate in the mornings. The picture books we will be using this half term are included on the plan.

We would also like to take this opportunity to signpost you following our last newsletter to further information regarding GDPR. For those that are new to our schools, or for anyone who wishes to revisit the information, all our policies and privacy notices around GDPR are on the Trust website and can be found on the link. The link also has access to the Pupil privacy notices which you may want to look at with your child/ren.

<https://www.consortiumtrust.org/page/?title=Data+Protection&pid=90>

Happy discussions!

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