

# **CANON JOHNSON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Good afternoon everyone,

Well we have reached the end of a very long half term! It has been eventful, but your support and our pupils have been amazing. The first article in this week's newsletter highlights all the positives that have come out of this term. Thank you to everyone for all your support and I feel immensely proud of you, the staff and in particular the pupils.

Thank you.

#### THANK YOU

This has been a testing term but we have all got through it together and will continue to go from strength to strength with your support. Here is a list of all the positives to come out of this term:

- The school community have definitely come together to support each other.
- School attendance has been at its highest for many years.
- The pupil's behaviour has improved and we have our lowest rate of red cards in a half term for several years
- The Tameside Social distancing team stated that the parents social distancing and school's procedures were very good
- Year 3's home learning was a great success and has shown the way on how learning at home can be successful. Well done Year 3 and Miss Wood.
- Pupil's attitudes to learning have been excellent throughout the term
- Despite many changes, staff have provided high quality education all term

Next half term our focus will be on continuing to address gaps in pupil's learning especially in reading, writing and maths.

#### TRUST DIGITAL STRATEGY AND TEAMS

The trust have finalised their digital strategy and it is a very exciting time for all the staff and pupils at school. The aim of the strategy is to provide a 1 to 1 device for all pupils in Year 3 to 6 and provide a range of support through Teams to provide home learning for all.

Staff will be attending a training session on during the INSET day on Monday to learn how to use ipads effectively to provide high quality blended learning and we will be creating our own action plan to provide the promise the Trust have made. Please read the newsletters over the next few weeks to find out how we will be doing this.





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### STAFF INSET DAY AND HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Just a reminder that the school closes on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October for the half term holiday. We will be returning to school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, as there is a staff training day on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. If, during the half term holiday, your child displays symptoms of or tests positive for COVID-19 please could you email me on <a href="mark.bidgood@canonjohnson.co.uk">mark.bidgood@canonjohnson.co.uk</a> and I will organise any isolations that need to be set up.

#### **DOLCE SCHOOL DINNERS**

Please could we ask all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents to please sign up to the Dolce School Dinner portal to choose dinners at home for your children. The act of choosing the meals each day is taking a lot of time out of the school day when teachers are trying to concentrate on the pupils learning and addressing the gaps from lockdown. If you are having trouble with accessing the school dinner website please ring school and speak to Mrs Shah on 0161 330 3169.

### **CASHLESS SYSTEM**

Please remember that all payments within school for Breakfast club and toast are cashless and must be paid using the Arbor app. If you are having difficulty with accessing the app please contact Mrs Shah in the office for help.

#### **SCHOOL CAR PARK**

Please could I remind parents that the car park is for staff only. It also forms part of the EYFS one way drop off system so has children walking through it at key times. Please do not drive into or park in the staff car park.

# Star of the Week and Captain's Table

### Star of the Week

Nursery	Cruz
Reception	Sofia
Year 1	Myla
Year 2	Raya
Year 3	Yusaf
Year 4	Idrees
Year 5	Kenzie
Year 6	Tia





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# Captain's Table

Year 1	Najaf
Year 2	Vinny
Year 3	Wlliam
Year 4	Lacey
Year 5	Maisy
Year 6	George

Headteacher's Award: Miss Pollard, Miss Wood and Year 3

Whole School Attendance: 97.1% Class Attendance Award: Year 5 99.3%

**Class Punctuality Award:** 

Once again, thank you for your patience and support for the staff of the school. Do not hesitate to contact me if you need anything at all and please stay safe.

Have a great weekend and look forward to speaking to you soon. Mr Bidgood Headteacher

