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# Happy New

Welcome back to school everyone! We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break and are looking forward to 2019.





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# It's Cool to be Kind











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Our school new year's resolution is to try to be even kinder to each other.

In assembly on Monday, Miss Glenny shared the story "Kindness is Cooler" in which children complete acts of kindness at home, at school and in the local community. All our Friday superstars were also nominated due to their kind and caring attitude to others. You can see their deeds on the next page as well as a lovely poem that Zara wrote on the theme of kindness. Ella and Molly also drew pictures entitled "Kindness Kingdom." They show what the world would be like if everybody acted with kindness. You can see a black and white copy on page 4.

School Council will be promoting kindness all this term using The Anti-Bullying Alliance materials. The focus will be on helpful actions, thoughtful use of language,

good manners, empathy and generosity of spirit.



### Our Acts of Kindness

Kindness Kindness is a word that we all can do! Kindness is a word that's easytodo. Kindness feels nice when you do it! Kindness can be clone right now! Kindness can be clone right now! Kindness can be found in this to wn! Kindness can be found in this to wn! Kindness can be found in this contury! Kindness can be found in this world! Kindness can be found in this world!

Zara wrote a poem on the theme of kindness.

> Jashanjot's thoughtful deeds and lovely smiles cheered up everybody in Y6 JB.

How do I know? 'Cause inside of everyone there's a smile sometimes you can't find it you just have to dig deep.

Lara

Lola and Elsa tidied up the classroom after the children had eaten their sandwiches. They also tidied the Y5 and Y6 bags and coats so there were no trip hazards in the corridor. Leyland has been a fantastic talk partner and group member. He has also helped Mrs Sharp find her feet in Y6.

Oscar looked after Callum when he had an accident in the playground. Amelia asked other children how they were and invited them to play.

Twice this week, Roza offered comfort to children who were upset.

Mollie has been kind and helpful ever since she started school in September. Inana asked whether her friends were ok when they seemed sad.

Jeevan has been helping his friends in class.

Miss Gillespie spotted Aleks carrying out five acts of kindness including holding the door open for his classmates.

Lacey-Mae asked if there were some jobs she could do because she wanted to be helpful.

Kelsie has been playing with different children so they don't feel left out.

Pari involved other children in her games. Tara tidied up the classroom which helped Mr Hawes.



## World Book Day







World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March 2019.

This event is a wonderful way to celebrate books and reading and we are excited to announce that activities this year will be based around Edward Lear's classic poem, "The Owl and the Pussy Cat."

Children will be enjoying a range of cross-curricular lessons on World Book Day using the poem as a stimulus and we would love children to come to school dressed as a character from the poem. Don't worry if you are not a fan of creating dressing up outfits as we will be making items of costume in school that your child can wear. Without wishing to give too much away about the poem, it features several animals—a cat, an owl, a turkey and a pig so there are lots of opportunities to make simple masks, wings and ears.

As always, all pupils will receive a one pound voucher which they can exchange for a book at a range of local shops. You can see the available books on the next page.





UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 29 (Goals of Education.)



Visit the World Book Day website at <u>www.worldbookday.</u>com for more information and inspirational ideas about books.





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RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS PTA Disco

#### The PTA disco will be held on Friday 25th January 2019.

Tickets will cost £3.00 per child and will be on sale soon. The ticket includes admission to the disco, a drink and a snack.

The timings are as follows:

YR	2.45—3.30pm
Y1 and Y2	3.45—4.45pm
Y3 and Y4	5.00—6.00pm
Y5 and Y6	6.15—7.15pm

This will be a MUFTI (non-uniform) Day so younger children can come to school wearing their disco clothes if they wish, providing they are warm and suitable for the playground. Older pupils might wish to change in to their disco wear at home.

> UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 15 (Freedom of Association.)

## HINKS GOOD HABITS LOOKING FROM PARENTS

Park away from school gates

Always hold hands with young children

Remember - your child will copy you

Every road means STOP LOOK LISTEN

Never get children out of a car roadside

Think safer places to cross the road

Secure your child's car seat correctly

Kids learn from watching grown up's. Making our roads safe is everyone's responsibility.

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/roadsafety







#### Please note that our school attendance target is 97%.

The minimum acceptable attendance, as stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority, is 95%.

Low attendance results in poorer educational progress and attainment.



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 3 (Best Interests of the Child.)

#### Spring Term Diary Dates

	Thursday 17th January 2019	Y6 SAT's meeting for parents/carers, 5.30-6.30pm.
	Thursday 17th January 2019	YR Maths meeting for parents/carers, 5.00-6.00pm.
	Friday 18th January 2019	YR Maths meeting for parents/carers, 9.15-10.15am.
	Thursday 24th January 2019	School closed for staff training.
	Friday 25th January 2019	PTA disco. You will be able to register soon.
	Friday January 25th 2019	MUFTI (non uniform) Day. Bring a 50p donation.
	Tuesday 29th January 2019	Y4 KJ class assembly at 9.15am.
	Tuesday 29th January 2019	African Choir Concert, 7.00pm at The Spa Centre.
	Tuesday 5th February 2019	Y1 EL class assembly at 10.15am.
	Wednesday 6th February 2019	Y3 visit to the Warwick University Nature Trail.
	Tuesday 12th February 2019	Y4 CD class assembly at 9.15am.
Half-term holiday from Monday 18th February—Friday 22nd February 2019		
	Tuesday 26th February 2019	Y3 AH class assembly at 9.15am.
	Wednesday 27th February 2019	Y3 SPLAT! art project with Juneau Projects begins.
	Friday 1st March 2019	Year 3 Viking Day.
	Tuesday 5th March 2019	YR RK class assembly at 10.15am.
	Tuesday 12th March 2019	Y3 JM class assembly at 9.15am.
	Monday 18th March 2019	L2 Bikeability course starts (Y5/6.)
	Tuesday 19th March 2019	YR AH class assembly at 10.15am.
	Friday 22nd March 2019	L1 Bikeability Course (Y3/4.)
	Monday 25th March 2019	Scooter Wise sessions for Y1—Y4.
	Monday 25th March 2019	Y6 JB visit Campion School for a cookery lesson.
	Tuesday 26th March 2019	Y5 CB class assembly at 9.15am.
	Wednesday 3rd April 2019	Parent's Evening, 3.30—7.00pm.
	Thursday 4th April 2019	Parent's Evening, 3.30—5.30pm.
	Monday 8th April 2019	Rocksteady concert at 2.00pm.
	Monday 8th April 2019	Y6 KS visit Campion School for a cookery lesson.
	Tuesday 9th April 2019	Y5 JvS class assembly at 9.15am.

#### Easter holiday from Monday 15th April -Friday 26th April 2019

Please note that school is closed on January 24th for staff training. Educational Researcher, Shirley Clarke, will be visiting Sydenham to deliver training on formative assessment and the use of growth mindset strategies to help ensure all pupils achieve their potential.



Best wishes from Miss Glenny and Miss Challand