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| |  | | --- | | Friday 23rd September 2016  The Mill Messenger | |  | |  | |  | |  | | --- | | Stars of the Week: Congratulations to:  Billy, Enzo, Brady, Samuel, Cameron, Yusuf, Sophia, Laiba, Melissa, Kaia, Chloe, Destiny and Katie.  **House Cup Winners:**  Congratulation to the blue house for winning this week!  **Attendance Cup Winners**  We had a class this week on 99.5% with an overall school attendance of 96.10%. Year 1 Hockney class take a bow you are this week’s attendance cup winners!  **EggCellent Award**  This week our award goes to Mrs Anna Krauz-Bednarek. Mrs Krauz-Bednarek is one of our Teaching Assistants and works primarily in Year 3. She has been working well with the children asking fantastic questions to deepen their learning, supporting the teacher and year group colleagues and has further supported the wider school by translating to parents and students in order that they feel safe and confident in school. Fantastic, thank you! | |  | | **Key Dates:**  **How to… -** W/B 19th September  **INSET** – Friday 30th September  **Parents Evening** – Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th October  **Half Term –** Monday 24th – Friday 28th October  **Christmas Fair –** Friday 9th December  **Christmas Performances -** Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th December  **Last day of Term** – Friday 16th December | |

*“Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children.”*  Charles R Swindoll

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

This week in assembly we have been looking at how to make ourselves more focused and leaders of our own learning. The children were introduced to “The 7 habits of happy children.” The habits speak to emotions, strengths, friendships, meaning, and accomplishment.

The habits develop the essential life skills and characteristics students need to thrive in the 21st century. They are designed to be integrated into a school’s academic core curriculum and child’s home life. We will be looking at a different habit each week and practise them in school. The 7 habits are as follows:

1. **Be**P**roactive** - Manage feelings and stay optimistic.

2. **Begin with the End in Mind** - Anticipate the good, persist, and be [resilient](https://www.psychologytoday.com/basics/resilience).

3. **Put First Things First** - Prioritize positive choices, plans and accomplishment.

4**. Think Win-Win** - Adopt a growth mindset.

5.**Seek to Understand and Be Understood** - Manage feelings and be empathetic.

6.**Synergise** - Focus on strengths.

7. **Sharpen the Saw** - Take care of self and others and find meaning and purpose.

We have started off well with our attendance this year. If you could continue to support us with sending your children into school we would really appreciate it. We have a new EWO (educational welfare officer) attached to the school who will be in contact with families who may need support in sending their child into school. Please remember to call the school if your child is sick and bring in a doctors note or prescription on your return. If you are off for any other reason, a leave of absence form needs to be filled in and can be obtained from Mrs Finnie in the office.

It was great to see so many of you at the How to be successful in Year 1 and 6 events this week as well as during the art open morning for Year 1, 2, 5 and 6. The children beam with pride when you look at their learning and we feel proud to be in partnership with you. Thank you.

I look forward to seeing you at next weeks Year 2,3,4,and 5 How to be Successful sessions and wish you all a happy weekend.

Kind regards,



Mr. Matt Lecuyer

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