

# Sedley's Church of England Primary School Love to Learn – Learn to Love

**Sedley's Christian Values** LOVE - FAITH IN GOD - FORGIVENESS - SHARING & CARING - HONESTY



# January 2023



Welcome back to Term 3! I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed some special times with loved ones. Many thanks for the cards and gifts – it was very much appreciated – thank you! 😊 Last term was a busy one and the children worked very hard as well as having lots of festive fun! Thank you for supporting the children with the various events, I hope you agree that Christmas at Sedley's was a good one!

#### After school clubs

Clubs have begun this week - many thanks for being so prompt at returning the reply slips. Please can you inform a member of staff or the office if your child does not wish to attend a club so that we might be able to offer a place to someone else.

#### **Staffing**

As you know, Miss Wright left at the end of term to have a baby.....no news yet on the arrival! Mrs Hunyh is our new Administration Assistant, and it has been lovely to see children, staff and parents making her feel so welcome during her first few days. Miss Hunt will continue as a dance specialist teacher this term and next term, as well as Mr Poppy from St George's teaching PE. Both visiting teachers are also leading after school clubs.

#### Uniform

A reminder that children should only wear stud earrings in school please and that long hair should be tied up with black, white or blue accessories. Many thanks for your support with this. Please speak to us if you need support with providing uniform.



## **Hot Dog Club**

Thank you, once again, to the PFA for organising Hot Dog Club at the start of term. It was lovely to have something in the first few days of returning to school. Please look out for further details of PFA events coming up!

#### **Attendance**

Once again, thank you for your ongoing support and efforts to ensure children are in school each day. Thank you to parents who call in and speak with the office to report absence, rather than leaving a message or sending an email. Mrs Hunyh will call to follow up on any absence, so thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

A few attendance points of information.....

- If your child has medication but is feeling better and can return to school we are able to administer this. Speak to the office in order to complete the necessary paperwork so that your child can get back to school as soon as possible.
- Absence is authorised if the reason is deemed viable. Please do not be offended if you are asked to provide additional information regarding an absence. The burden of proof is on parents to provide the information. We, of course, understand there are times when we are unwell but there may be occasions when further conversations around absence are needed.
- Attendance is monitored and tracked, and we shall be writing to some families this term as part of this process regarding absence and punctuality.
- Holidays in term time can not be authorised and may lead to a penalty notice being issued per child for each parent. There may be extenuating circumstances when leave is authorised, and each case is looked at on an individual basis.

## Online safety workshop 19th January @ 6pm



We shall be holding a parent workshop on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm in the hall about online safety. Online activity is a huge part of our lives, and it is important everyone has a secure understanding of how to access it safely. Mrs Abel will be leading this. On this occasion children are not invited to attend. I hope to see lots of you there!



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### Maths week

The week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> February is 'Take One Maths Week' here at Sedley's and we shall be focusing on maths calculations involving money.

The whole school shall focus on learning about money, not only withing the maths curriculum, but also within PSHE, understanding how to budget etc.

As part of this themed week there will be a

Valentine's Market on Thursday 9th February from 2:30pm. Each class will have activities/games on offer, and items to sell with the aim of making the most profit. The winning class will receive a prize and all profits will be used for the classroom, with children deciding how to spend the funds! We are inviting parents to come along and visit all the classes at the Valentine's Market with their children with some spending money! More information to follow nearer the time.

### **Times Table Rock Stars**



Is your child making regular use of TT Rock Stars? Please speak to you child's teacher if you need any help with logging in.

#### **Christian Vision and Values**

As part of our Christian distinctiveness here at Sedley's we put 'Love to Learn, Learn to Love' at the heart of all we do. The children are really good at talking about this and can explain what it looks like in action.

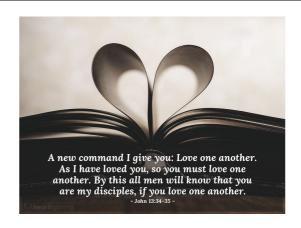
We also have our Christian values of Love, Caring & Sharing, Honesty, Faith in God & Forgiveness that guide our thinking in Collective Worship and how we live our lives and treat one another.

This term we are focusing on the value of **HONESTY**.



As part of our reading development we are starting Book Buddies in school next week. Children will be paired up across the school and spend time with their Book Buddy reading together and enjoying a book. This is part of our ongoing focus on helping our children to develop their love of reading!

Some upcoming dates for your diary	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Young Voices at The O2 – choir.
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Fire safety talks for all year groups in school
Tuesday 31st Jan	Acorns – visit to police museum
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	NSPCC Number Day – non uniform
	Saplings class outdoor adventure day!
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	'Take One maths Week'
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parent's tea and cake – Q & A session in the hallall welcome!
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Acorns class – oral health talk.
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Saplings class worship – parents invited – 9am in the hall
	End of Term 3
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Term 4 starts



Here's to a term of fun learning and progress for all! Miss Field 😊