



Newsletter 14th May 2018

Aycliffe Village Primary School



Dear Parents/Carers

We recently received an email at school about a 'Be Happy, Be Safe and Be Supported' campaign. The message was from Marie Robson and was as follows: *'I am the mother of local teenager Millie Robson who was seriously injured last year in the Manchester terror attack. I have set up a support network for young people affected by trauma and their families. I am appealing for local schools and businesses to support us by wearing yellow/black or a bee symbol to mark the 1st anniversary in memory of victims of the attack. If people wanted to make a donation of £1.00 that would be amazing. Millie continues to inspire so many other young people whilst herself still recovering from physical and emotional affects. She still requires further surgery but will not let what has happened stop her from living a full life'.*

We will show our support for this campaign on **Tuesday 22nd May**. If your child wishes to wear yellow/black or a bee symbol instead of their school uniform that day, then they are very welcome to. We will collect any donations families wish to send into school and forward them to support this campaign.

Best wishes
Mrs H Sutherland

Sunny weather

A reminder of some aspects of our school policy for sunny weather. Please send your child to school with a sun hat/cap and a bottle of water (clearly marked with their name) We also recommend that you apply sun tan lotion to your child before school and, for the vast majority of children, this should protect them all day. If your child has very fair skin and you are concerned they might need more sun tan lotion throughout the day, please speak to your child's teacher about this.



Smart Watches

Please be aware that children **must not** wear smart watches to school or bring anything else to school that they can take photos on. We do not allow this as photographs could be taken of other children or staff without their permission This rule, therefore, is part of our safeguarding policy and procedures.



Celebration Assembly Awards



Outstanding Learner	Amelia W
Outstanding Attitude	James B
Outstanding Manners	Maizey N-B, Thomas N
Handwriting	Archer D, Harrison T, Jack M
Wow Word	Theo J
Maths Wizard	Sophie C, Jayden H
Values	Susie M, Lily D
Independence and Perseverance	Laila T, Chloe A
Head Teacher Award	Lucy B, Ethan P
Golden Broom	Year 1 and Year 5

Further information about our Royal Wedding event

A reminder that our re-enactment of the Royal Wedding will start at 10.30am at St Andrew's Church, Aycliffe Village. Due to the size of the church and the number of seats available it is necessary to limit numbers of parents/carers attending to **one person per family**. Apologies for any disappointment this causes. Extra family members are very welcome to come and watch the wedding party enter and leave the Church and there might be room at the back of Church once everyone is in. **Additional family members are also very welcome to join us back at school for our picnic party on the school field** (We anticipate we will be back at school about 12.15, after the Wedding Service!)

A couple of parents have questioned what we mean by 'smart dress' for the wedding. It will be a non-uniform day and **children and guests are asked not to wear jeans or tracksuit bottoms but should come dressed for a special occasion!** Some children will have special roles in our service—if this is the case they will bring a letter home tomorrow about this.

We also have an official wedding photographer! Lee Ovenden, a professional wedding photographer, is going to take photos for us. We are very grateful to him for agreeing to do this and thank him for the time he is giving to this.

Children on school dinners will be provided with a packed lunch that day. The menu for this is as follows: cheese and ham sandwiches, sausage roll, slice of pizza, salad sticks, a piece of fruit, a 'Royal Wedding' themed biscuit and a drink. Parents/carers/family members attending are asked to bring their own picnics please and picnic rugs/blankets. I am keeping my fingers tightly crossed that the weather stays fine!

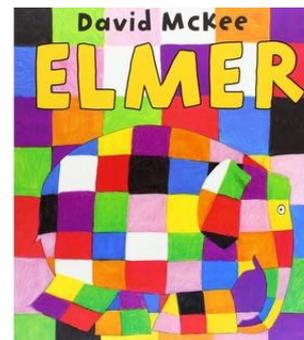
Attendance for last week

Reception	92.9
Year 1	100
Year 2	96.0
Year 3	93.8
Year 4	97.7
Year 5	94.6
Year 6	98.2

Well done to Years 1, 4 & 6 and who have all achieved attendance above our minimum target level. Special "Well done" to Year 1 for 100% attendance that was the best out of the entire school.

Elmer Day for Reception!

In case you missed the letter last week, **our Reception Class will be celebrating Elmer Day on Friday 18th May**. They are invited to dress in multi coloured clothes and will take part in a range of fun Elmer activities. This is part of their current topic and learning in class.



Wow word of the week



I went to see 'Matilda' at the theatre this weekend and Miss Trunchbull used this word during the performance. I thought it would be a good 'wow' word for our news-letter this week!