

## November Newsletter

### Sheffield Children's Book Awards



Some of FS1 and their parents visited Sheffield Crucible last week.

They had a fun filled morning of storytelling and crafts as well as an opportunity to meet children's book authors.



### Parking

Our pastoral leads, Mrs Lindley and Mr Brown, have been out on Bankwood Close on drop-off and pickup times to support with the traffic and parking.

They have been guiding cars to park in safer locations but would warmly welcome your support. If you park at the top of the estate, and avoid Bankwood Close, that would improve conditions for everyone. Walking to school, or parking elsewhere and walking, would make a huge difference and make Bankwood Close safer for everyone.

### Dance Club

We began this half term with a new club!

KS1 children are having a weekly dance session with a coach, Megan Pinder – some of the children have recognised her from classes at the Terry Wright Centre.

Not only is Megan teaching dance to Y1 and Y2, but she is also running a lunchtime dance club for KS2 children. This has been very well received and is proving a lot of fun.



### Swap Shop



It was great to see people come to the swap shop on Thursday morning.

Parents/carers had the opportunity to browse for preloved items of clothing and take food bank items home – all for free.

We still have many items left, so will look into running another swap shop again in the future.

### Diary Dates

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Odd Sock Day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November – KS1 Magna Christmas party

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November – flu vaccines

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – photographer and toilet training workshop









**Ready to Learn**

Please remember school gates open at **8.30am**.

This is so children are on site and ready for school to begin at 8.40am.

**Please do not arrive at 8.40am** – aim to get to school before this time so children can receive a full day of learning.

There have been a lot of absences recently. Attendance is an important factor in a student's progress in school and it is important your child comes to school every day. Our attendance target is 96%.

Class	Attendance	Ready to Learn
FS2 GB	85.3%	94.3%
FS2 RM	93.1%	96.1% 
Y1 SC	89.8%	97.7% 
Y1 CC	84.1%	97.6% 
Y2 LT	90.6%	96%
Y2 AW	87%	94.9%
Y3 BC	92.2%	98.3%
Y3 LT	91.7%	97.2% 
Y4 WB	88.8%	94.2%
Y4 HC	87.1%	99.1% 
Y5 DN	91.4%	97.3% 
Y5 KW	87.2%	95.7%
Y6 AK	93.3%	98.6% 
Y6 EA	95.2%	97.1% 

**Peer Mediators**

Y6 had an introductory session last week about Peer Mediators.

A peer mediator helps children settle disagreements at break and lunchtime by asking questions and encouraging a calm conversation.

Y6 children have until 13<sup>th</sup> November to apply to become a Peer Mediator. Once selected, they will receive 2-day intense training and then be able to begin their new role.