

Message from Mrs Gibson

Well done to Ethan who has made the school values for our Values display – he's matched the colours brilliantly and they really stand out on the display. We would really like examples of Creativity, Resilience and Teamwork that the children have shown at home or in the community so that the display can be complete.

We've had another busy week with so many exciting things taking place and I've had lots of children proudly showing off their work!



Please see Showbie or Tapestry to see what your children's year groups get up to each week.

Parent Governors

We are currently recruiting for parent Governors to join our committed, positive team of existing Governors who work tirelessly with the leadership team to drive school improvement. This can be such a positive and rewarding volunteering opportunity to make a big difference!

If you can champion our school and support us to develop further, you would be perfect to join our team.

Anyone who's interested is encouraged to speak to our Chair of Governors, Ed Wydenbach, for an informal chat (contact the school office) or complete an Expression of Interest form (contact the school office).



Curriculum Ambassadors

Our wonderful new Curriculum Ambassadors had a wonderful discussion about all the reasons they enjoy learning through the wider curriculum. They thought about History, Geography, Science, Music, Art, DT, French, RE and PSHE and showed that they really are champions of learning!

Freddy – Mrs Robinson

Carter – Mrs Roberts

Esmæ – Miss Vernon

Evie-Rose – Miss Binnie

Margaret – Miss Duffy

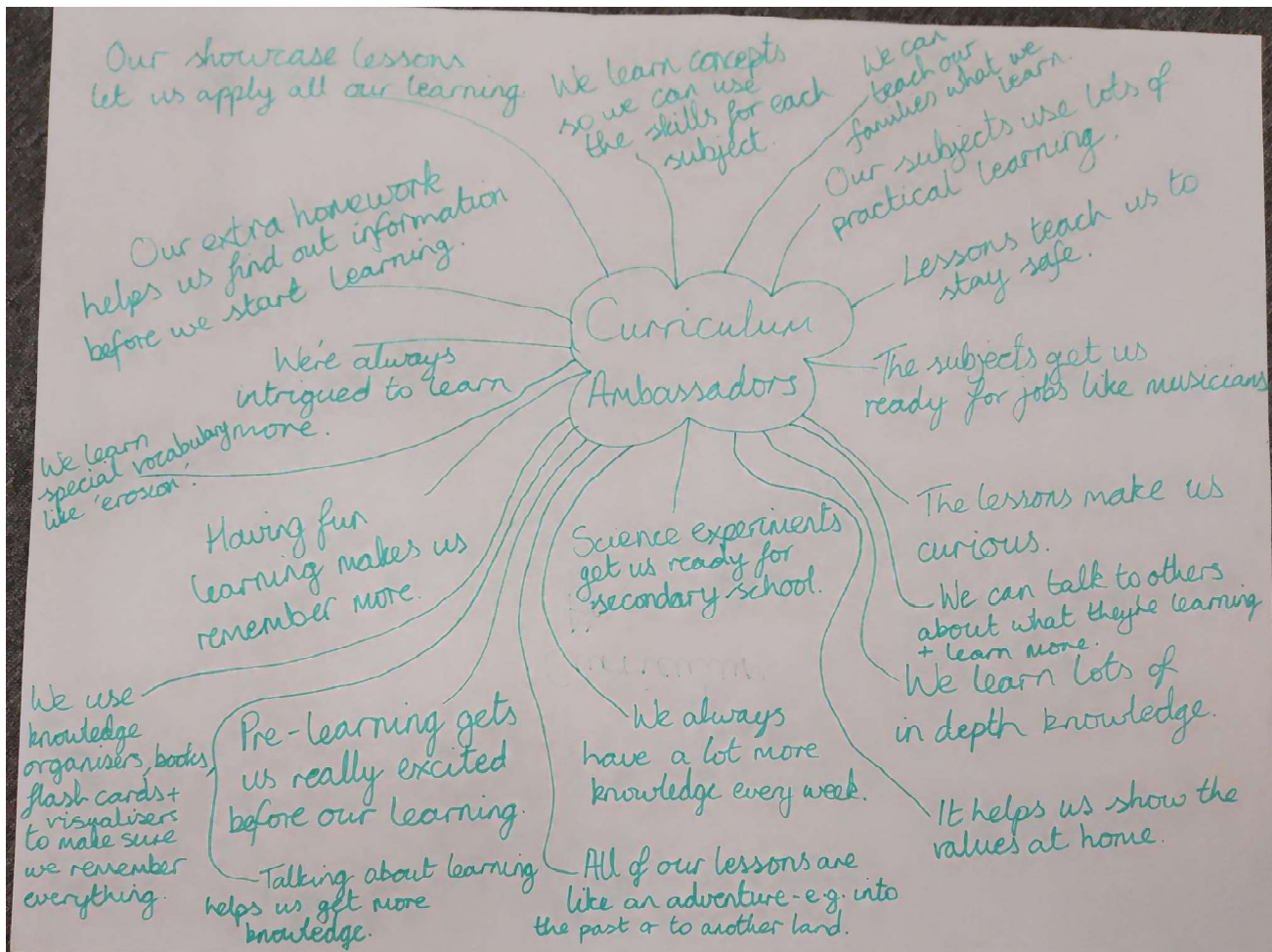
Amelia – Miss Gostelow

Oliver S – Miss Morley

Lukas – Miss Ambler

Tayen – Miss Hinchliffe

Alex B – Miss King



COMETS



Comets is a safe place for 8 to 10 year olds who are exploring their identity to make friends, have fun and meet other like-minded young people.

Parents and carers can also join our Parents and Carers of LGBTQ+ Young People Group, which runs monthly in Sheffield City Centre.

WEBSITE: SAYIT.ORG.UK - PHONE: 0114 201 2633
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Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to be supporting Childline by taking part in the Kindness Challenge this October.

By supporting the Kindness Challenge you're helping to power Childline. Childline is there for all young people online, on the phone, anytime. On average, a child contacts Childline every 45 seconds.

What: Get £2 sponsorship and do as many 'Acts of Kindness' as you can using the Kindness Bingo sheet

When: Week beginning 7th October
Thursday 10th October – bring your £2 sponsorship money to school

Monday – Kindness Week launch assembly

Thursday – Kindness Challenge celebration assembly – (certificates given for complete Kindness Bingo challenges)

Every day – Kindness activity in class

KINDNESS ACTS

Choose the activities you want to do each day to be part of the Kindness Challenge.

Remember other kindness ideas you collect community-wide using the Kindness Bingo sheet for more ideas!



Get 10 sponsorships and do as many 'Acts of Kindness' as you can to get your school and class in the lead!

Learn something new about someone in your class.	Help an adult with a chore/job at home.	Write and give your letter to thank people.	Help an adult with a chore/job at home.
Get with someone new at lunchtime.	Let someone go in front of you in a queue or line.	Offer to do a job for someone.	Help someone who dropped something.
Invite someone to play with you.	Be kind to yourself. Do something that makes you feel good.	Ask three adults how they are feeling.	Call or message a family member to friend to check in with them.
Give your friend up all items in compliment.	Pick up some litter or trash that you didn't drop.	Draw/write a positive message for someone to find.	Hold the door open for someone on three different occasions.

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Join the Kindness Challenge, a week to create a little more kindness in your school community while raising money for Childline.



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STAR OF THE WEEK

30th September – 4th October 2024

Class:		
A	Khenan- For his aspiration and always being so busy and engaged in his play and learning.	Noah- For his resilience and being so confident when arriving at Nursery.
B	River – For showing great resilience and aspiration when applying her phonic knowledge in writing.	Dylan - For showing great resilience and aspiration when applying his phonic knowledge in writing.
C	Lylah – For showing creativity and endeavour in class and at home when doing her homework.	Poppy - For always showing all the school values and being a good role model.
D	Marcie Mae - For empathy and tolerance . You are such a kind girl to everyone. You are a really good friend to have.	Ella - For showing aspiration you have read every day this week. Well done.
E	Ruby - For showing aspiration in he reading and phonics as well as helping others with theirs.	Joshua - For showing resilience in his maths learning and not giving up!
F	Grace – For teamwork . She is helpful and responsible and knows how to work well with others.	Annabelle – For creativity . She has had some brilliant ideas during our English lessons this week. You have pushed yourself to be use different language features and extend your vocabulary choices.
G	Charlotte- For showing a positive attitude to all learning and using creativity to improve her work.	William – For showing resilience during lessons to ensure he is able to achieve the challenges he sets himself.
H	Willow – For showing aspiration throughout her learning and consistently showing learning behaviours that help her learn best.	Yasra – For showing endeavour . She always has a positive attitude when faced with a challenge in all her learning.
I	Caitlin – For showing resilience daily. Caitlin has been punctual and prepared for lessons which has positively impacted her attitude to learning!	Archie – For showing aspiration with learning in school and at home. Archie has been sharing his extra home learning with the class which has helped to deepen our learning.
J	Freddie- For showing empathy and tolerance in History this week. Freddie has used brilliant reasoning to discuss what life was like as a Roman.	Charlie- For showing resilience during all lessons. He has worked hard by ignoring any distractions and is challenging himself daily with his learning.
		Amelia R – For showing aspiration with her learning in school and at home. She is very punctual with handing homework in and is trying her best in all lessons.
K	Grace - For showing maturity in her understanding and application of empathy and tolerance .	George - For endeavouring to use adventurous language, ideas and writing features in his writing.
L	Tommy – For giving 100% in his lessons and aspiring to achieve his very best.	Charlie B – For working extremely hard in writing and show casing how being resilient through editing can enhance the final product!
M	Harry – For showing empathy and tolerance towards his peers when they were finding school difficult, and showing resilience with his learning and a drive to work independently. Well done Harry!	

Weekly Attendance

30th September – 4th October 2024

Whole School target: 96%



EYFS	A	92.1%
EYFS	B	97.8%
Y1/Y2	C	91.7%
Y1/Y2	D	94.4%
Y1/Y2	E	94%
Y3/Y4	F	88.9%
Y3/Y4	G	93.8%
Y3/4	H	97.5%
Y5	I	95%
Y5	J	88.7%
Y6	K	98.5%
Y6	L	91.9%
IR	M	90%
Whole School Attendance		93.8%

At Birley Spa Primary Academy we are committed to helping all pupils to achieve their full potential. Good attendance is a key factor in raising pupils' attainment and supporting their personal development. **In line with DfE and Local Authority policy, we do not authorise holidays taken in school time and we work with families to do everything they can to support their child to attend school every day.** Whilst it is appreciated that children are ill from time to time, please think carefully before allowing your child to be absent from school. The chart below provides an indication of how just a few days absence can significantly impact a child's overall attendance percentage and impede their learning:

Description	Attendance	Whole Days Lost	Lost Hours of Learning
Excellent	100 – 99%	0 – 2	0 – 10
Good	98 – 96%	4 – 7.5	20 – 37.5
Requires Improvement	95 – 91%	9.5 – 17	47.5 – 85
Persistent Absentee	90 – 86%	19 – 27	95 – 135
Critical	85 – 80%	28.5 – 38	142.5 – 190

