5th February 2024

Dear Families,

Winners' Wednesday

Mrs Bull has been working with our Head Boy and Girl team to consider the views of the Voice of the children and possible incentives to improve attendance in school on a Friday. The children from Reception to Year 6 took part in a circle time to gather their feedback about what they would like as a 'reward' for being in school every Friday.

All classes who achieve 94% or above attendance on the Friday will receive alternating certificates (week 1, 3, 5 etc.) or a BeDiffeent pencil (week 2, 4, 6 etc.) to keep and take home on the Wednesday after each Friday.

The class with the highest attendance percentage on the Friday will enjoy an in-class Pizza Party the following Wednesday. On the Monday before the Pizza Party, the Head Boy and Girl Team will display a laminated pizza slice on the door of the winning classroom and place a Pizza Plushy in the classroom too. This will tell the class that they are the winners!

The Pizza Party menu will consist of pizza, donuts and cakes or cookies for the children to enjoy. An identified member of staff will be responsible for setting up the classroom with table cloths and an activity box containing pizza-related fun and games (e.g. colouring sheets, word searches, crosswords) which the children can enjoy once they have eaten. The Pizza Party will always take place at 12.15 pm in the classroom. Children have the option to sit where they like for this celebration.

Reception Secret Pizza Party

The children in Reception enjoyed a wonderful Secret Pizza Party which was based on the story that they were learning for the week. It was such a lovely event and was great to see many families join us too.

Chinese New Year themed lunch

We will be enjoying a very exciting Chinese themed lunch menu on Friday 9th February, as part of celebrating Chinese New Year. It will be great to see all children eating a school lunch on this day.

Adoring After School Club

The After School Club team are excited to hold their 'Adoring After School Club' themed event on Tuesday 6th February from 3.15 pm – 5.50 pm. We do still have some available spaces if you would like to sign up for your children to attend. Please do contact the school office.

Hearty Breakfast

The Breakfast Club team are excited to hold their 'Hearty Breakfast' themed event on Wednesday 7th February from 7.40 am – 8.30 am. We do still have some available spaces if you would like to sign up for your children to attend. Please do contact the school office.

Safety Reminder

It is really important that children are walking sensibly and safely to their classroom, once they enter the school gates in the morning. Please may you remind your child that they must walk round to class and not stop for a chat with their friends. We have noticed that some of the older children are arriving into class late, despite walking though the school gates on time. If your child has permission to walk home alone then please remind them of the expectation that they must go straight home and not loiter in the playground or outside of the school.

'WOW' card Achievements

If your child received a WOW card in the post then a huge congratulations to you. Here are the names of the children who achieved a WOW card last week.

Beckham	Afraa and Sudais
Kingsley	Aniyah and Natan
Potter	Ekjodh and Karlota
Farah	Moses and Umaiza
Rowling	Hashim and Talullah
Presley	Bella and Vinnie
Attenborough	Ana Laura and Michael
Gates	Onika and Abbas

Class	Percentage %
Holmes AM	93%
Holmes PM	94%
Holmes Full Time	78%
Beckham	94%
Armstrong	90%
Kingsley	97%
Potter	89%
Mozart	96%
Farah	94%
Rowling	98%
Presley	95%
Attenborough	94%
Gates	96%

Attendance

Attendance continues to be very closely monitored at William Morris Primary School and our attendance target percentage for this academic year is 94%. It is important that your child attends school every day so that they do not miss out on their learning. We look forward to announcing who the first winning Pizza Party class in the next bulletin.

Mrs Bull and Miss Akhtar

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