



Perryfields Junior School

The Flyer

Week 8 – November 2023

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely half-term break.

I was delighted to acknowledge a fantastic act of kindness by Anushka from Rowling class during the holidays - Anushka donated her hair to The Little Princess Trust and raised £110! Well done Anushka - you are an inspiration to us all!

Essex Fire and Rescue led a very important Safety assembly on Tuesday about how to keep safe over the Halloween and Firework period. The children interacted well, asked some good questions and definitely took a lot of information away from this session. Thank you, Essex Fire and Rescue for visiting our school and sharing important information with us.

Huge thank you to our lovely FIPs team for organising our Halloween disco on Thursday - all the children had a brilliant time and £290 were raised to help with school funds!

It seems that the autumnal weather has turned much colder over the last few days - please make sure that your children are wearing warm coats to school so that they can enjoy our outside break times.

I hope you have a super weekend - wrap up and stay warm and stay safe!

Jane Hasler

Pupil of the Week

Cowell: Farzaad
Seuss: Niralya
Walliams: Oliver D
Lewis: Sienna
Dahl: Zac
Rowling: Jaxson
Tolkien: Owen
Morpurgo: Harry
Pullman: Samuel R

Mrs Siddall's Attendance Award
Walliams Class – 98.8%

Award for
Outstanding Manners
Matilda – Walliams Class
Samuel – Rowling Class

PE Award
Hollie – Pullman Class

Spelling Award
Dahl Class

ATTENDANCE

The national expectation for attendance is 96%. The government has clarified the position regarding the term 'regular' attendance. It means children must be in school **EVERY DAY**. Every second counts at Perryfields. We **must** work together to improve attendance and punctuality even more.

Year 3	95.5%
Year 4	97.8%
Year 5	96.4%
Year 6	94.5%



Reminders/Notices

Items brought to school office: There has been an increasing number of items being dropped into the school office after children have had registration. Can you please try to make sure that children have all their belongings at the start of the school day. If you do need to drop something into reception, please make sure it is named.

PE Kits: Your child should have a PE kit in school all week. Can we please also remind you that children will need to remove earrings and must be able to do this themselves.

School Car Park: Please do not park in the school car park to drop off or collect children at any time. The car park is strictly for staff of the Junior and surrounding schools. Please also refrain from using the area in front of the gates as this can cause traffic problems for staff trying to enter and leave the car park.

Coming up after half term:

Wednesday 8 th November	Lockdown Drill – email sent 30 th October
Monday 13 th November	Odd Socks Day in support of Anti Bullying Week – email sent 31 st October
Thursday 16 th November	Year 3 Enterprise Day Stone Age – email sent 31 st October
Monday 4 th December	Secret Stalls Yrs 3&4 – Details to follow
Tuesday 5 th December	Secret Stalls Yrs 5&6 – Details to follow
Wednesday 6 th December	Panto Trip for Lower School – email sent 27 th September
Wednesday 13 th December	Panto Trip for Upper School – email sent 27 th September

Please note that we can also provide a packed lunch if your child would prefer this. This will be either the baguette, wrap or soft roll and also includes a drink, fruit, cucumber sticks and the dessert of the day.

Remember, remember...

It's much safer to attend an organised bonfire or firework display, but if you're thinking of using fireworks as part of your celebrations, please follow the safety advice below so that everyone has a good time without getting hurt.

Always follow the firework code

- Stand well back
- Keep pets indoors
- Keep fireworks in a closed box
- Only buy fireworks that are CE marked
- Light at arm's length, using a taper
- Follow the instructions on each firework
- Never give sparklers to a child under five
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks
- Always supervise children around fireworks
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them
- Never go near a firework that has been lit - even if it hasn't gone off it could still explode

BE BRIGHT & BE SEEN

this winter



Now that the clocks have gone back and it's getting darker earlier on, it's more important than ever to make sure you can be seen when you're out and about near roads.

There are loads of ways to be seen and stay safer
- so check over the page for some top tips!

5 top tips on how to **BE BRIGHT & BE SEEN**

- 1** Brightly coloured or fluorescent clothing shows up well in daylight and at dusk when you're heading to and from school.
- 2** If you're out and about when it's dark wear reflective items to make sure you can be seen in car headlights. Reflective vests, sashes or wristbands work well. Remember, fluorescent clothing doesn't work after dark!
- 3** Don't forget to accessorise! Even small items such as clip on reflectors, armbands and stickers on your outfit or school bag are a great way to improve your visibility.
- 4** If you like to cycle, remember that it's the law to have clean and working lights at night (white at the front, red at the back), as well as a rear reflector. It's good to fit spoke reflectors too.
- 5** Of course, 'Being Bright' helps drivers to see you but that won't guarantee that you keep safe. You still need to make sure that you stop and look in all directions for traffic every time you cross.

**Be Bright,
Be Seen**

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