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# **Little Digmoor Primary School**

# Weekly Bulletin – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023

# **Parental Questionnaire**

Thank you for all your responses, which were overwhelming positive. Some concerns were raised which I have highlighted and responded to below.

Parents overwhelming agreed that they were clear about the behaviour policy but there was a concern that it doesn't work with some children.

We completely agree! The behaviour policy works **most** of the time for **most** of the children. Some children require different strategies to support them, and these children have individual plans which are shared with all the adults in school. In addition, we have weekly pastoral meetings where individual cases are discussed and monitored.

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Not all parents were clear about what school is doing to promote mental health and wellbeing.

As a school, we are trying to put mental health and wellbeing at the centre of everything we do. We have recently undertaken a mental health and well-being audit to identify areas for improvement. Our new mental health and wellbeing ambassador, Tayt and our Community Ambassadors, recently attended a meeting with Compass Bloom, a company who works in schools to help develop mental health and wellbeing provision, and came up with action plan which they have already begun work on.

#### There was a question about children's opportunities to represent the school not being fair

Children are given lots of opportunities to represent the school. These range from competitive and non-competitive sports, park run, swimming, debating, school and eco council activities and ambassadors. For some of these such as school and eco council, the children are chosen by their peers and adults have no input into the choice. For competitive sports events children are chosen from those who have attended sports club and have therefore trained and played as a team. There are many non-competitive events over the year and place at these events are deliberately offered to those children who have not already had the opportunity to represent the school. We are planning to extend the range of opportunities for none-sports events such as the setting up of a quiz team to play against teams from local schools.

# There was also a question about the range of opportunities for children to pursue their own interests.

We pride ourselves on the range off extra-curricular activities we offer our children. In addition to after-school clubs, we also have a wide range of opportunities through our enrichment time – time spent each week on lessons which extend the curriculum. These are available to all the children as an entitlement so that over the course of their school life they will have the opportunity to engage with a wide range of interests. We ensure that all children have the opportunity to learn to play an instrument and also pay for additional music lessons for an entire year. We have also extended our swimming provision. Children choose the extra-curricular clubs that are on offer, through their pupil voice meeting so we hope that a range of interests are covered. We also have our Little Digmoor Big adventure books – which we will be relaunching next term.

# **Twinkle House**



We are delighted to announce that ADHD North West will be speaking at our March 2023 coffee morning. This will give you the opportunity to discuss support that can be accessed through their service.

If you would like to book a place, please reply to this email: sleepadminsupport@twinklehouse.co.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to Twinkle House. 😊

# **Attendance**

Well done to Year 1, who won our attendance award this week with 98.7 %. They will enjoy a treat of hot chocolate and cookies.

#### **Easter**

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This week in assembly we have begun to learn all about the Easter story. We will be holding a special Easter assembly on the last day of term, Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March which we would love all families to attend. After the assembly, we will be holding a coffee morning during which the children will be taking part in the Easter Bonnet parade. You will also be able to look at our decorated eggs.

## **Easter Competitions**

This year we will be holding two competitions. Firstly, an Easter bonnet competition with prizes for the most imaginative bonnets. Secondly we will be holding our popular decorative egg competition. Decorate your egg as anything you like – it could be an animal, a famous person or even a famous building! Let your imagination run wild. There will be prizes for both the bonnets and eggs. Please return your eggs and bonnets to school on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Our Easter competitions will be held on Friday morning, 31<sup>st</sup> March, during our Easter assembly.

# **Celebration Assembly**

Thank you to all our families who attended celebration assembly this week. As usual, we are super proud of everything our children have achieved this week. These children deserve a special mention:

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#### **Learners of the Week**

Mason, Buddy, Devainiya, Ariana, Esme Sm, Cole, Braydon, Iyla

# **Citizens of the Week**

Thea, Mya, Ava Si, Isaac, Poppy, Dennys, Enzo, Paulo

#### **Head Teacher's Award**

Stevie

## **Sportsperson of the Week**

Poppy E, Ramya, Stephen, Jessica R, Emily B, Maggie, Ellie, Jenson