

# **Headteacher's Weekly Newsletter**

Friday 24th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Its been a very busy week this week in school – despite some of the weather concerns towards the end of the week, attendance continues to be good and I have been very impressed with the effort of all pupils – and for some – trying new activities for the first time.

Running house points at this end of this week are Ash (32), Oak (38) and Elm (40).

### Meetings with the FA and school football

On Monday I had a very positive meeting with the FA to explore more opportunities for our ever-growing football squads to participate in inclusive matches. The prevalence of blind and VI football teams can make it very challenging for pupils to participate in regular matches – so I am extremely pleased that both our under 13s and under 16s teams will now be able to play in the Liverpool Ability Camp League. All players have been provided with a letter with further information. However, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

### **Electoral Commission**

Throughout the week we have had representatives from the Electoral Commission onsite working alongside pupils to discuss a range of topics and engage in workshops. The aim of these workshops were to discuss and create a video on how elections could be improved, more accessible and encourage more people to vote. Well done to Bo, Joshua, Frankie-Joe, Katie-Ann, Izzy and Sienna who were all involved in this work – and I can't wait to hear the final production.

#### **Enrichment Activities – horse riding**

I was unable to attend the session this week, but the feedback from both staff and pupils on the introduction of horse riding as part of the enrichment offer has been very positive. This is a fantastic opportunity for pupils – and thank you to staff for facilitating. Enrichment options will continue to be monitored – and alongside the School Council a new internal accreditation award is being developed which will be shared with pupils later this term.

#### **Headteacher's Hot Chocolate**

Congratulations to Natan who received his Golden Ticket this week for a hot chocolate. Natan has been working hard in all lesson this week – and it was great to catch-up with him today as he put me to the test on assistive technology and apps! Well done, Natan!

# **Chill Factore**

Thank you to all who have returned the follow-up information for this terms Social trip to the Chill Factore. School will now arrange this along with transport and all attending will be given further information, including a kit list in due course.

Wishing all a restful weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr D Swanston

Headteacher