# DOWNSELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 8

4TH NOVEMBER 2016

# Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back from the autumn half term. Hope you all had a good break and everyone's ready for this fantastic half term.

I would like to remind you that the school starts at 8:55 am but the doors open for children at 8:45 am, so they can proceed straight to their classes. Unfortunately there are still many children who come to school late and miss valuable times at the beginning of the lessons. Can you please ensure that your child/children leave the house in good time to reach the school by 8:45 am.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mr Chetty

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# Flu Immunisation

Just a reminder that this year, all children in year 1-3 are being offered a flu vaccination. This is given to children as a simple spray up the nose and it's painless.

Your child was given a consent form before the half term break, if you haven't returned it to the school and you wish for your child to have the vaccination, please return the form as soon as possible as the nurses need to prepare the correct amount of vaccines.

## **Photographs day**

The school photographer will be coming into school on **Thursday 10**<sup>th</sup> **November** to take the children's individual photographs. Please ensure that your son/daughter comes to school in correct school uniform.

The photographer will be in from 8:30 am to take photographs of siblings within the school, unfortunately we are unable to accommodate siblings that do not attend Downsell Primary.

# **Poppy Appeal**

If you would like to purchase poppies or other British Legion merchandise please come to the office at less busy times to do so. Children can buy poppies, slap rulers, bracelets, wristbands or reflectors at playtimes. Please ensure that they have the correct amount of money (50p - £1) as we are unable to give change.

## **Breakfast club**

The new breakfast club commenced on 31/10/2016 and has had a good turnout. We would like to encourage more participation from children and parents as this is an opportunity for families to have the first day of the meal together and meet with other families and staff in a different setting.

Breakfast is on offer for £1 a day.

Monday to Friday includes a variety of breakfast cereals, toast with varied spreads, milk and juice.

Every Friday we have a cooked breakfast as well as everything that is on offer from Monday - Thursday. A menu will be available on the school website.

The children are also treated to a variety of activities which include dance, games, writing or colouring among others.

We would like to thank parents for the continued support that we have received and welcome you all to come and see what exciting things we are doing.

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Every day	7:30	New Breakfast club – Open to all	Dining hall
08/11	9:00	EYFS Stay & Play	Dining hall
10/11	1:30 pm	ESOL Parents course	Group room
10/11	9:00	EYFS Stay & Play	Dining hall
10/11	From 8:30	School photographs day	School hall
10-16/11	3:30 – 4:15	Book Fair	School hall



### WELL DONE EVERYONE!!!



Class	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS
Jamaica	Mateo, Hassan	Doshinka, Linnlatt	Mia
India	Vlad-Mihai	Noha	Lina
Morocco		Muhammed, Shay	
Brazil	Elise	Alihasir	Imani
New Zealand	Isabella, Chelsea		
Gibraltar	Jasmine	Laaibah	
Ireland	Ayub	Abid	
Norway	Jathushika, Firdaus Sofia, Iqra		
Pakistan			Luana
France		Meerub	Ali
Malaysia	Zayia, Aneesha	Hadeeqa, Beata	Josiana
Egypt	Nathan	Ishanvi	
China	Admir, Jenniffer	Ayesha, Uesli	
South Africa	Sumayyah, Fatima	Aaliya, Rene	
Spain	Haider	Tamika	Rehan

#### **African masks**

Class South Africa have been really busy for the last 2 weeks planning and designing their African masks. In their art books many drawings are shown of how they planned and designed them. All the masks come in different colours or even hairs sticking out! It was decided that the class were going to make African masks to link with their class name, South Africa. The final masks are now on display outside their classroom. All the African masks surround one massive African mask, which is on the centre of the display. It took an incredibly long amount of time to draw and colour each of the African masks, especially the massive mask. Here's a picture of one of our digital leaders standing In front of the display board.

# By Sachin (Year 6 Digital Leader)



## Nursery appeal ...

The nursery are very short of spare clothes to change the children into if they get wet.

We would be grateful for any donations of pants, knickers, socks, tights and trousers to fit ages 3—4.

Also could you please bring back any nursery clothes your child may have been sent home in. Thank you.

#### E-safety

The potential for the internet is to be a valuable and fun resource for entertainment, making friends, keeping in touch and learning is huge. But if you use the internet, you could be at a very dangerous risk as people aren't always what they first seem. In the same way you learn about safety when you leave the house, it is important to learn how to stay safe online. These are the skills that will stay with you for life:

- Don't give out personal information such as your address or phone number.
- Don't send pictures of yourself to anyone.
- Don't open emails or attachments from people you don't know.
- Don't become online 'friends' with people you don't know.
- Never arrange to meet someone in person who you've met online.

If anything you see or read online worries you, tell someone about it. Stay safe.

## By Tysha (Year 6 Digital Leader)

# **Weekly Attendance**

The Best attendance winners for the week before the half term are:

Upper KS2 - South Africa - 100 %

Lower KS2 - Norway - 100%

KS1- India - 100%

Early years - Greece - 96%

The most improved classes are: Malaysia (99%),

Norway (100%)

and India (100%) Well done all!

Dress up day—18th November
Children in Need