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I am delighted to say that the children have all settled back into school routine very quickly but we are all looking forward to half term.

A new group of Year 5 children have been chosen to join the Community Cadets. Well done to those children who have been selected to join the Year 6 Cadets. This is a very select group of children who have all expressed an interest in helping in the local community. We meet regularly with two of the local Councillors and talk about how we feel we can make a difference to the area around school. In the past the children have litter picked, planted bulbs, supported parking protests, lobbied the Council to provide further dog waste bins and generally keep an eye on the play areas reporting any graffiti or damage.

We are still having a large number of children arriving late for school. Please note that the children need to be in school and at their desks ready to learn and start lessons at 8.50am.

Likewise, we have a number of children being collected late. It is important that you are prompt to collect your child from school as many of the staff have meetings and training after school and not always able to remain with a child. If there is ever an occasion that for unforeseen circumstances, you will be late collecting, please telephone the school office to advise us and we will make arrangements for them to be supervised and occupied until you are able to get to school.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Harvest Festival collection for Peterborough Soup Kitchen this year. The Year 3 children have been busy rehearsing for their special harvest assembly.

We will be talking to the children in our assemblies shortly about healthy eating and are fortunate that one of our school Governors, who was previously a nurse, will be showing the children ideas for healthy lunch boxes.



After half term, 14th – 18th November we will be taking part in National Anti -Bullying Week. During this week our assemblies will focus on kindness towards others and there will be competitions for each year group on the subject of friendship and looking after each other.

During that week on Friday 18th November we will also be fundraising for ‘Children in Need’. There will be items for the children to buy and activities to take part in. Details of this will follow at a later date.

We have very recently had another incident of a scooter being removed from the racks and damaged whilst a child was attending an after school club. We will be talking to all the children about respecting other people’s property but I do think it would be wise to lock scooters if at all possible.

As a reminder for your diary our School Nurse Allison Bellamy will be holding her next ‘Drop In’ between 9am – 10 am on Wednesday 16th November.

Last week the children who represented Southfields in the Peterborough Dance Festival were rewarded with an Ice Cream Parlour Treat. It was greatly enjoyed by them all!

Below are details of the lights issued last month

Lights issued	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Purple (Excellence)			4		1	1	3
Green			6	2	3	1	1
Amber			1		1		
Red					2		
No of children in each year group with individual behaviour plans or where work is ongoing with the family		1	6	2	6	1	7

Purple Lights 9
 Racial/Homophobic Incidents 1
 Bullying
 Verbal Incidents 2
 Physical Incidents 8
 School Expectation not met 3
 Disruption/Preventing Teaching & Learning 3

We hope that you all have a wonderful half term break and look forward to seeing you all again refreshed and ready for the next busy few weeks with the onset of Christmas activities!

Yours sincerely

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 Welfare Officer

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 Attendance/Welfare Officer