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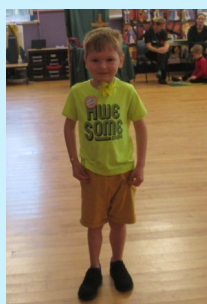
## NEWSLETTER 14th October 2021



### PUPILS OF THE WEEK



### HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD



Archie S—Year 1

### WOW WORK OF THE WEEK



## Attendance Winners



### Last Week's Attendance Winners

Whole School— 96.2%

Winners—Year 1 —99.4%

House Points Winners = Mexborough—306 Points Well done!



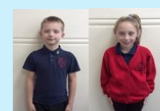
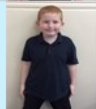
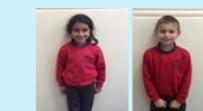
## School Council

A huge welcome and congratulations to our new School Councillors.

Councillors put themselves forward for this important role and presented to their classes why they thought they should have the role. The older children also presented to Miss Hartley and Mrs Hoyle.

Children then voted and elected the peers they wish to represent them.

The council will represent all aspects of school life and are already busy working on projects to encourage physical activity – more to follow.



### Special Hot Dog Dinner



Next Friday, 22nd October, we will be serving a special dinner:

**Hot Dog or Vegetarian Hot Dog**

**Jacket Potato**

**Ice Cream**

If you do not normally have a school dinner and would like one, please send your money by **Friday**, in a named envelope. **Please could anyone who would like a vegetarian hot dog let the office know.** Thanks

### Christmas Gifts

Please return any orders for the Christmas Cards designed by your children as soon as possible, and by this **Thursday 14th October** at the latest. Thanks



## Church Links

This week in Collective Worship the children learnt about Kindness. Father David visited school.



## Message from Public Health

You will have received a SchoolPing from us with a letter from Calderdale Public Health. It details some guidance given to schools due to current infection rates. Many of the precautions are in place in school already and our Risk Assessment is reviewed regularly. We would like to reiterate the following piece of guidance from the letter and thank you all for your understanding in this matter:

Public Health have advised all schools in Calderdale to consider taking the following precaution:

**If someone in the household has tested positive for COVID-19 (on LFD or PCR)**, advise children and young people in that household who attend school to stay at home. If they develop symptoms, they should get a PCR test straight away. If they don't have symptoms, they should get a PCR test 3-5 days after their household member started with symptoms (or took their test if they had no symptoms). If this test is negative, the child can return to school but must stay at home and arrange another test if they go on to develop symptoms.

Some children are exempt from this advice:

12–16-year-olds who have had at least one dose of the vaccine more than 14 days ago

Any child who has tested positive for COVID-19 via a PCR test within the past 90 days.

Parents/carers who still want their child to continue to attend school have the right for them to do so. We would, however, still strongly advise getting a PCR for your child before he/she returns. Reducing the risk of transmission is important for the health reasons explained above but also is important to reduce the overall disruption to education.

## Squid Game

Netflix are currently showing Squid Game. This South Korean thriller features some scenes of fairly brutal violence and is rated 15. It follows a group of adults who compete to win innocent-looking playground games, but who are killed if they do not succeed at the tasks.

Squid Game is NOT intended nor appropriate for children under the age of 15. This information has been shared with adults in school and it has already come to our attention that some children are familiar with the programme.

Staff will discuss concerns as they arise with individual parents, but we ask you all to be vigilant to the content your children are viewing.

### What can parents and carers do?

As a parent or carer, keep a watchful eye on the content that your children are viewing. Speak to them openly and chat about how they have been spending time on their devices; let them ask questions, too. Ensure that the parental controls are activated on your child's device and that age-restricted child profiles are properly set up any on-demand services available through the family TV (such as Netflix, in this case) to prevent inappropriate content being streamed.

If you see your child replicating the challenges from the show or hear them talking about scenes and characters from Squid Game, it would be a timely opportunity to discuss with them that the programme is not intended for children, that the content would be inappropriate for their age, and that the violence in the series is very realistic and often upsetting.

Both Common Sense Media and National Online Safety have released guidance for parents which can be found by following these links:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/squid-game-trending-across-platforms-what-parents-need-to-know>

[Squid Game TV Review \(commonsensemedia.org\)](https://www.common-sense-media.org/2021/10/20/squid-game/)

## SEND Review

### Message from: Ben Allchin | Service Manager for Inclusion and SEND, Calderdale Council

You may have seen that we're proposing to make some changes to the Specialist Inclusion Team. Thank you to those of you who have already fed back to us. In light of this we're going to hold a few online Q&A sessions about what the changes entail and what you can expect from the new proposed services.

To register you just need to email [SENDreview@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:SENDreview@calderdale.gov.uk) with your preferred date and you will be sent a link to a Microsoft Teams webinar.

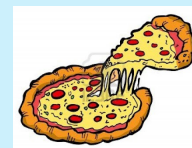
<b>Monday 18.10.21</b>	<b>9:30am–10:30am</b>	<b>Thursday 21.10.2021</b>	<b>2pm-3pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 20.10.2021</b>	<b>6pm-7pm</b>	<b>Friday 22.10.2021</b>	<b>11am-12pm</b>

## Year 3

As part of our DT topic, Year 3 did some bread tasting this week. We tried 5 different types of bread! As a class we decided that Brioche was our favourite as it was sweet like a cake!

Next week, the children will be designing and making their own pizzas. On Monday they will be going to Morrisons to get their ingredients and on Tuesday they will be making the dough.

Next week we will have some pictures of our finished pizzas!



## Year 6



Year 6 are creating and designing their own Day of the Dead Masks in Design and Technology.

We have started the process using paper mache to create the shape of the mask.



## Year 5



Year 5 have been reading the book 'Cosmic' and have produced some fantastic work throughout the half term! They have written a setting description of space, a fact file, leaflets for a theme park they designed themselves and so much more.

The very talented Miss Agnew couldn't have represented this work in a more creative and interesting way!

## Harvest

Please keep bringing in your donations of toiletries for Love Elland. This charity has helped our families over the course of the pandemic, so we thought it would be fitting for us to help them in return. Their aim is to help families starting out in a new home.

Donations could include; soap, shampoo, shower gel, flannels, towels, sponges, conditioner, deodorant, tooth paste, toothbrushes etc You may start sending things in with your children as soon as you like and we will collect until half term.

Thank you to those who have already sent in donations!



## Health Update

Children with simple cold symptoms such as runny noses or sore throats **without fever** should not be tested for COVID-19, and can attend school if they feel well enough to do so.

Anyone with any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 should stay at home and arrange testing.

Please contact school to advise us of any absence.

Please note that unless advised otherwise, only people who present with **any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 should be tested.**

Testing must be conducted within the first 5 days of the onset of symptoms.

When you receive your test result, **please email [admin@elland.calderdale.sch.uk](mailto:admin@elland.calderdale.sch.uk)** with details before your child returns to school. Children can return to school as soon as a negative test is received.

If your child develops any of the key symptoms for COVID-19 in school, we will contact parents/carers and ask for you to arrange a test. This is in line with Government guidelines.

### Symptoms

High temperature  
New continuous cough  
Loss or change to sense of taste or smell

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday 14th October**—Deadline for return of Christmas Card Designs

**Every Friday afternoon**—Year 5 swimming

**Monday 18th October**— Individual Photos

**Friday 22nd October**—School closes for half term

**Monday 1st November**—School closed— Training day

**Tuesday 2nd November**—School reopens

