Weekly Word

15.10.2021



To all Parents/Carers,

Lots of yellow in school this week to celebrate World Mental Health Day – also known as Hello Yellow Day! It was a great day on Monday and the children took part in lots of different activities around mental health (see the first two photos on the left). There was also an assembly in the morning which can be found <u>here</u> (along with lots of other assemblies!).

The third photo is yet more cool science going on in the classroom – this time the Y5 and Y6 children created their very own black hole!

In other news, three developments today. Firstly, our new house captains were announced in today's assembly. We had a record number of children apply for this which just goes to show how confident the children are and the willingness they have to put themselves forward for important positions in school. There will no doubt be some upset children who weren't elected but I would just like to say well done to everyone and we are super proud of you for having the courage to make a difference.

Secondly, our newly formed Eco Council received their badges today and had their first meeting with Mrs Henson; see <u>here</u> for more info. Mrs Henson is also working her way through the mountain of school council applications she has – another sign of how much the children want to be involved in wider school issues!

Thirdly, we ordered a defibrillator before summer and it has finally arrived. There is currently one outside the chemist on Kedleston Road but we have made the decision to have one permanently on site.

And finally, we are seeing, as with other schools locally, an increase in the number of positive Covid cases. We continue to take advice from Public Health England and the Local Authority around internal measures we can put in place but we have had no instruction to either close classes or close year groups. Following a conversation with PHE at the beginning of the week, this is a measure they are currently not considering.

Have a lovely weekend and see you on Monday

Mr I. Johnson