



# WEEKLY FOCUS

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Dear Parents

## Vision

At Calmore Junior School we have a vision where every child will experience the best possible outcomes through:

**C**an do attitude & self-belief

**A**spirational Learning & high standards

**L**earning that is exciting, fun & purposeful

**M**otivational experiences & personalised curriculum

**O**pportunities that will challenge, nurture talents and inspire

**R**espectful tolerant community

**E**ncouragement to be the best we can be and to be lifelong learners

Values

Our values are how we will behave as a school community, in order to realise our vision. These are:

**R**espect **H**onesty **K**indness

**R**esponsibility **F**riendship **A**mbition



## Weekly Theme

Our weekly theme this week is 'Calmore Charter.' Please find attached a copy of our Calmore Charter to read with your child.

## Morning Drop Off

Please can the year 3 parents remain with their child outside the year door until the bell has gone. Thank you.



## Summer Reading Challenge

Don't forget the Summer Reading Challenge comes to an end this week so make sure that you have completed it in order to get your certificate!



## Meet the Teacher

Lovely to see so many of you here last night in order to meet your child's new teacher. Don't forget that the year 5 and 6 one is tonight.

## Play equipment

For health and safety reasons the play equipment is currently out of bounds.

## Tennis Coaching

Years 3 and 4 are currently doing tennis once a week. They are being expertly coached by staff from Hanger Farm Tennis Centre.

## Parent Forum

Don't forget pop along on Friday 16 September at 2.15pm, for a cup of tea and have a chat with myself and my deputy Miss Ingram.



We would like to chat informally about what is going well and maybe any suggestions you have. If you are new to the school come along and chat with us anyway. Hope to see lots of you there.

## Brainteaser

Q: Everyone in the world needs it. They generously give it. But never take it. Then what is it?

**Lisa Marshall – Headteacher**

## Assembly news

The following children were awarded

### Head Teacher's Awards

Year 3: **Walliams & Strong classes**

Year 4: **Chloe & Lillie**

Year 5: **Elisha & Liam**

Year 6: **Gemma & Toby**

Children receive these awards for outstanding and on-going effort, good work and attitude. Congratulations!

### B.E.S.T Awards

Year 3: **Lilia Golden & Taylor**

Year 4: **Tia & Martyna**

Year 5: **Jake & Alfie**

Year 6: **Tyler & Briony**

*Well done to you all keep up the good work!*

### Maths Star's

Year 4: **Katherine Chandler & Kelsey Green**

Year 5: **Mason**

Year 6: **Hayden & Grace**

*Well Done!*

### IT'S COOL TO GO TO SCHOOL!

LAST WEEKS CLASS

ATTENDANCE WINNERS WERE:

**Morpurgo @ 100% 😊**

*Keep up the good attendance!*

## Our Learning

**Year 3** - Last week our PHSE topic was called 'New Beginnings' we were getting to grips with our new school and classroom and also the new learning behaviours. This week we are learning about place value in maths. In English we are writing a story about Lazy Jack. Our topic for this half term is 'Do you live around here?' and we have been looking at our local area on Google Earth. Also please could you send in an old shirt/t shirt of mum or dad that your child could use for Art.

**PS: If anyone has accidentally picked up Holly Wests' school jumper ( year 3,named), please can you return it to the office. Thankyou!**

**Year 4** -This week, we have been learning the story of Tattercoats – which is about a poor girl who marries a prince (similar to Cinderella)! We also explored the Jewish holiday of Sukkot and learned about forces in the Explorer Dome.

Next week, we will be learning some different techniques to use in our own Tattercoats stories. We will also be looking at the place value of 4-digit numbers, making sure we really understand thousands numbers.

**Year 5** - After our first week back, we all feel settled into year 5, even Mr Vaughan! We have written our class charters and in PSHE we reminded ourselves about how to be a good learner this year.

In RE we learnt about different kinds of religious journeys. In literacy we have started reading our new class novel – 'The Terrible Thing That Happened to Barnaby Rookett.' We will be using this story to write some of our own adventure stories to share with Year 6.

Next week we will be learning to make good choices in the language we use and learning to use adverbial phrases.

In maths this week, we have been learning about the value of different digits in numbers.

Next week we will be developing our mental methods of addition and subtraction.

Our new topic – 'The Earth and Beyond' started with a visit from The Explorer Dome today.

Next week we will be learning about how the earth moves to create day and night, seasons and years.

**Year 6** - First week back and the step up to the top of the school has been good...so far. We have already started our Ancient Greek topic and today we enjoyed a whole day of art, games, food making and finally food tasting. I'm already looking forward to finding out even more about them. In English we have been looking at Greek myths and started off by working in teams to complete a treasure hunt of hidden words around the school grounds all related to a famous myth - Theseus and the Minotaur. This week we have been looking at features of this type of story and are beginning to plan our own. Next week we shall start to write them. In maths we have been looking at place value. It may sound simple but we have had to really think hard in order to explain our reasoning behind many challenging problems. This year is going to be a good one but a tough one too. We have already been told that every day should include times when work is difficult - we call it 'struggle time' - but it shows we're having to think hard.

## Instrumental Music Lessons

Music lessons for those learning an instrument will start this week:

- Wednesdays - Mrs T Clark: Keyboard, Flute, Clarinet & Saxophone
- Thursdays – Mr M Vaughan : Drums
- Fridays – Mr K Brewster: Guitars

Timetables will be sent to class, so the children know what time to attend (lessons held in the music room).

## Clubs

Lots of clubs are in the pipeline, but those ready to start again this term and letters either sent home or available from the office are:

**All starting this week:**

**Tuesday:** Dodgeball (3 – 4pm)

**Wednesday:** Drama (3 – 4.30pm) & Puppet Club (3-4.15pm)

**Thursday:** Karate (7.40-8.25am)

**Friday:** Dance & Football

## Gym Club

Letters available from the office for two trial sessions on: Thursday 22 & 29 September, for those interested.

## Puppet Club & JC Club – Letters at the Office

New children welcome! Every Wednesday - starting today after school until 4.15pm.

**Also JC Club** continues to run every Friday. This is a club designed to be fun and exciting, where children can enjoy crafts, games, stories and experiments. We also help them to develop important skills and values. We meet on Fridays 5-6.30pm in the school hall. We would love to welcome new children!

### Reminders & Prompts:

#### **EMERGENCY CONTACTS & MEDICAL INFORMATION**

If over the summer you have new telephone numbers or your child's medical condition has changed, please inform the office urgently, to keep us up to date.

#### Breakfast Club

If you would like to book a place for breakfast club please pop in to the office or book online.

First child £4 per session and additional child/ren will be £3.50 per session.

#### **PLACES SHOULD BE BOOKED AND PAID FOR IN ADVANCE.**

#### **Please note:**

**CHILDREN TURNING UP ON THE DAY NOT BOOKED AND UNPAID WILL BE CHARGED AN ADDITIONAL 50P!**

#### **Pay online**

Payments can be paid online for trips, visitors, etc that your child is involved in (apart from dinner money) see details from last week or go to [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com)

### And finally....

*If your child is interested in joining this year's Rock Challenge please get a letter from the office.*

## CALMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE

### SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

11.00AM TIL 4.00PM

Bar open all day

Refreshments available,

Lots of lovely stuff!

**Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, Children's Rides, Puppet Show, Fun Races, Animal Handling, and much more....**

*We are working for you and the community  
Calmore Community Association Registered Charity Number 270240*

### Dates for your Diary



Yr 4 & 5 Explorer Dome Visit	Wed 14 Sept
Meet the Teacher Yrs 5 & 6 (3.10pm)	Wed 14 Sept
Parent Forum (2.15pm)	Fri 16 Sept
Rock Challenge Workshop (until 4.15pm)	Mon 19 Sept
Football Tournament	Mon 19 Sept
Gymnastics Trial (until 4.30pm)	Thurs 22 Sept
Football Tournament	Mon 26 Sept
Open Day (year 2 parents)	Tues 27 Sept
Gymnastics Trial (until 4.30pm)	Thurs 29 Sept
MacMillan Coffee Afternoon (2pm)	Fri 30 Sept
Leeson House (£35 installment due)	Fri 30 Sept
Instrument Lesson Final Payment due(£75)	Fri 30 Sept
Yr 2 Open Afternoon -(parents & children 2pm)	Wed 5 Oct
Yr 2 Information Evening (parents) 6pm	Wed 12 Oct
Parents/ Grandparents into read (2.30pm)	Wed 19 Oct
Year 4 Exit Point (2.30pm)	Thurs 20 Oct
<b>Half Term - Oct 24 – 28th</b>	
Leeson House (£35 installment due)	Mon 31 Oct
Year 3 Flu Vaccinations	Thurs 24 Nov
Christmas Celebration Testwood Baptist 10am	Thurs 17 Dec
<b><u>More dates to follow soon...</u></b>	
<b>2017 Inset Days: 9/1, 27/2, 2/5 &amp; 30/6</b>	

PLEASE TAKE CARE WHEN DRIVING YOUR CAR AROUND THE SCHOOL AREA, ESPECIALLY IN BAD WEATHER!



THANK YOU FOR NOT DRIVING THROUGH THE GATES & PARKING

OR SMOKING ON THE SCHOOL SITE

**Please pass this on to your family members**