



# NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back, I do hope that you had a good half term break. It is good to see all the children back looking happy and healthy. We have lots planned for the children, including observing Remembrance Day, Children in Need and activities to make Christmas as normal as possible at school.

As you know, we are unable to accommodate parents as visitors within the school building unless it is regarding a child's welfare/safeguarding. However, if you do have any queries or concerns, please contact the school office to make a telephone appointment with a teacher.

Tom Singleton  
Head of School

## Chestnut Class

At the end of the half term, Chestnut Class finished work on their self-portraits, using proportion and shading techniques to create some super pieces of work. In English this half term, we have started work on a sci-fi writing topic and we will be working towards writing our own sci-fi stories in a couple of weeks. We have already created some brilliant descriptions of setting and mysterious objects and will soon move on to creating our own characters and plots.

## FOMSA

Thank you to everyone who contributed on Break A Rule Day we will be able to make some amazing hampers for our Christmas Draw. Again, more thanks to everyone who joined the Halloween Trail we raised over £150.00. The children have created their Christmas cards again; orders need to be placed by Friday 13 November (a separate letter has already been sent to all parents)

## Christmas Lunch

Reminder if your child/ren isn't having a Christmas Lunch please tell their class teacher by next Thursday 12 November.

## Children starting school in September 2021

For new parents to the school who have children starting in September 2021 there is an invitation to view – by appointment only on Thursday 10 December 4.00 – 6.00pm. Please contact the school on 0149766224 or email: [admin@mendleshamschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@mendleshamschool.org.uk) to book an appointment. This could be subject to change depending on government restrictions at the time.

## Arriving and Collecting

**Willow** arrive 8.50 – 8.55 collect 3.00pm  
**Elm** arrive 8.55–9.00 collect 3.15pm  
**Hazel** arrive 8.55-9.00 collect 3.10pm  
**Oak** arrive 8.45-8.50 collect 3.10pm  
**Chestnut** arrive 8.45-8.50 collect 3.15  
Please arrive at your allotted time and leave promptly in order to maintain social distancing. We understand it is difficult if you have children in different classes with different times.

## Children in Need

We would like to fund raise for this worthy cause next Friday and are asking if the children bring in any small change and we will create a line of coins around the playground before quarantining the coins to count.

## School Photos

The website is now open to see your school photos [www.spencerbrownphotography.com](http://www.spencerbrownphotography.com) and use the QR code if you have any problems please contact school. All orders to be placed by 18 November for free delivery which will be to the school. Postage will be applied after this date.

## Term Dates

**2020-2021**

**Autumn Term**

Monday 7 September

Friday 18 December

**Half term week 26 October**

**PD Day Friday 27 November**

**Spring Term**

Tuesday 5 January

Thursday 26 March

**Half term week 15 February**

**Summer Term**

Monday 12 April

Wednesday 21 July

**Half term week 31 May**

## Diary Dates

**Remembrance Day** – Wednesday 11 November – All children will observe a 1-minute silence socially distanced on the playground

**Flu Immunisation** - Thursday 19 November

**PD Day** – Friday 27 November (no children in school)

**Christmas Lunch** – Friday 18 December