

At Dr Walker's School we develop **Respect** and **Responsibility**.

Build **Perseverance** and **Creativity**.

Combine Christian values with **Courage** and **Compassion** for us to become successful British Citizens.



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Attendance Ted will be in Hedgehogs Class next week - 98.5% - Well Done!

Please be aware that holidays taken during term time could incur a penalty to parents by the Education Welfare Service. Please see our website for the school's Attendance Policy and a copy of the letter informing parents of the possibility of incurring a penalty by taking holidays during term time. Children who attend 98% and above will receive a text for them and their parents or carers. This is to congratulate them for good learning behaviours that will stay with them for life.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 95.4%

Whole school Marathon challenge: This week the children have begun a Marathon challenge, we have measured our field and worked out how many laps equals a marathon! Over the coming weeks they will work towards completing a marathon. We will be inviting parents and families in to see the final few laps where all the children will receive their medal. The date of this will be put in the dates for your diary soon. Happy running!



Litter: Two children approached me this week with a bag of litter they had found around the school. It made me so proud as they really wanted to improve the surroundings for everyone, they presented their findings in celebration assembly today! Let's help them achieve their target of a tidy school and pick it up! Well done to Beau and Harry for standing up for our school.

Multi-cultural Day: On Tuesday 21st May we will be celebrating Multi-cultural Day. We are asking the children to wear a colourful t-shirt or top for the day to celebrate diversity. The lunch menu will have an Indian flavour and

throughout the day the children will be looking at different countries' traditions, religious beliefs, food and music!

School Prayer: In Collective worship this week, the children and I worked on words we think would be positive to have in a school prayer. We focused on how prayer is great for a reflection time and we thought carefully about the positive words we wanted to use. Head boy, Head girl and the parliament will meet next week to write the prayer in full. We look forward to sharing it with you.

Inter-house competition: Our next inter-house competition will be to design the poster for the Summer Fair on Saturday 6th July. Please see the attached information and entries should be in school by Friday 10th May for judging. Good luck.

Summer Fair - Saturday 6th July: Following the success of last year's fair; we are looking forward to this year's. Preparation and organisation is well under way but we cannot do it without the kind help of our parents and extended family. Next week there will be a board by the entrance gate to register your interest in helping setting up, running a stall and packing away. We really do appreciate any help Mums, Dads and extended family can give on the day - even if it's for a couple of hours, it all helps!

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Joy has now undertaken his Level 3 safeguarding training, which means he is also a Designated Safeguarding Lead. If you are worried about any aspect of safeguarding for our children you can see Miss Willis (DSL), Mrs Lester (DSL) and Mr Joy (DSL).

Rubbish removal help: Can you help? We have many items around the school that need taking to a dump. If there are any Mums or Dads who could spare an hour, a van and wouldn't mind taking the rubbish for us, please could they contact Miss Willis. We really appreciate your support.

CHESS assembly - Food bank collection: On Friday 24th, Agnes from CHESS, one of our chosen local charities will visit the school and say a few words in assembly. On that day we are asking for donations to their food bank to be brought in so we can present her with some boxes to take back to the shelter. Ideas are on the website; items such as toilet roll, toothpaste, canned goods, dried pasta and rice are all good donations.

<https://cheshomeless.org/donate-food-goods/>

See the above link for more ideas.



It has been another great week of learning. Aerial maps pre and post war were compared in Badgers; Hedgehogs have been investigating the telephone and brushing up on their cricket bowling skills. In Ladybirds, pirate ships have been designed, made and tested! Ask your child what their learning quest is this half term and don't forget to Tweet any home learning @dr_walkers #homelearnignquest

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May - Year 6 SATS week
- Thursday 16th and Friday 17th May - Bikeability - Year 5
- Monday 20th May - Badgers School trip to Duxford
- Tuesday 21st May - Multi Cultural Day - **Wear a colourful outfit to celebrate diversity.**
- Thursday 23rd May - Class Photos - Full school uniform please.
- Friday 24th May - **Celebration Assembly will start at 2.30pm.** CHESS representative to visit school. Food bank collection Day.
- Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May - Half term
- Monday 3rd June - Non pupil Day
- Monday 10th June - Year 6 go to Crucial crew (more details to follow)

- Wkb 10th June - Year 1 phonics screening week
- Thursday 4th July - Fun Run 1.30pm onwards (parents and carers invited)
- Saturday 6th July - School Summer Fair
- Wednesday 10th July - Sports day (times to be confirmed)
- Monday 15th July at 2pm - KS2 Summer Show performance
- Tuesday 16th July at 6pm - KS2 Summer Show performance
- Wednesday 17th July - School Prom (times and details to be confirmed)
- Tuesday 23rd July - 2nd choice Sports Day
- Wednesday 24th July - 11.00am Year 6 leavers Assembly (year 6 parents/carers only)
- Wednesday 24th July - 12.00pm Whole school Family picnic (everyone welcome) Children are able to leave at 1.15pm.



Dear God, as we write our school prayer, we reflect on the power of words and how using positive and kind words can change the way we think and act. We hope to include positive words to guide us to do the right thing, make compassionate choices and be kind to everyone in our school community.

Amen