

15th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Top 3 Attendance scores this week

1st Luther-King 95.48 %

2nd Hawking 93.33 %

3rd Attenborough 92.94 %

Well done to for your fantastic attendance!

Drop offs

A huge thank you to all our families for your support in making our new drop off system a huge success. We are pleased to report that feedback from parents has been overwhelming positive. Children and staff have commented on how calm and gentle the start of the day is and how this allows the children to be well prepared for the day ahead. We have closely monitored the new system with a minimum of two staff each morning on the school gate to greet the children and families. We will continue to do so, over the coming weeks to ensure the system continues to work effectively.

Uniform

It has been brought to our attention, that some children have been wearing their PE hoodies in place of their school sweatshirts. A polite reminder that our school uniform policy states children should wear a navy sweatshirt or cardigan – either plain or with the school logo. We are keen for the children to look smart and presentable so we appreciate your support with this.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

As mentioned on our parent event calendar, we will be hosting a Macmillan coffee morning in school on the 29th September at 9am. It would be lovely to see as many parents there as possible, we will have cakes, biscuits and tea/coffee. Macmillan is a fantastic charity and we would love your support in raising money to allow them to continue with their vital work.

Computer Safety

Next week all classes will be completing a computer safety afternoon on Thursday 21st. We are keen to promote safe internet usage. Please ask your child to share with you what they have learnt during these sessions.

Phonics workshop

We would like to invite parents of Y1 and Reception in to school on Tuesday 26th September 5-6pm for a 'Phonics Workshop'. The event will be a great opportunity to deepen your knowledge of phonics and develop an understanding of how it is taught at West Vale. We hope the workshop will also help parents to support their child at home with their reading and writing skills

Warm wishes (especially as this weather turns colder)

Miss Horsfall, Mrs Akroyd, Miss Vincent (SLT)

Vice Principal