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Friday 23rd October 2020

Half Term Holiday

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you are well and are looking forward to the half term holiday with your family. With current restrictions in place, I'm sure that there are many cancelled plans but I hope that you all have a safe and restful break.

Head Academicians

I am very pleased to announce that, after a very rigorous and thorough selection process, our Head Academicians this year are Tashae and Zainab. Both girls impressed the Senior Leadership Team with their thoughtful, considered and confident presentations and interviews. The process was highly competitive and the Year 6 candidates put in every effort to show their leadership qualities. The decision was difficult but Zainab and Tashae are already proving that they are the right choice for the role.

Headteacher Awards

Many children have been coming to me for Headteacher Awards, as nominated by their teachers. In the last week, many children across school have ended their half term demonstrating very high standards in writing. No pupil has yet received three stickers in order to receive a certificate in assembly but we are getting close!

PTA

We are very lucky to have a new and energetic Parent Teacher Association up and running again at David Livingstone. They have already been engaging with the school with regards to investing in books and resources for our pupils. Although there are obvious restrictions in place limiting events and activities, the PTA are already having a positive impact on school life:

Book Drive

Thank you for the donations to the book drive. The next step will involve allocating donated books to classrooms for children to share and enjoy.

Wear Your Heritage Day

There was lots of enthusiasm for our Wear Your Heritage Day and pupils across the school were able to talk confidently about and celebrate their family and background. There was a lot of sharing of and new understanding about the diverse community we are part of.

Pantomime

The PTA have generously supported a virtual pantomime for our David Livingstone pupils. This will be a personalised performance that every class can enjoy from their own classrooms in the run up to the next holidays. More details will follow nearer the time.

Food/Family Essentials

Please send any donations to school with your children and we will add them to our stocks of essentials for any family who need them. We hope that this will be an ongoing resource that our community can access when necessary.

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Return to School

Please remember that the half term holiday is two weeks long this year. We will return to school on Monday 9th November. Please note that our staggered starts will remain in place for the foreseeable future and will therefore continue after half term.

Thank you

2020 has been one of the most difficult years so far in living memory. The global and national situation has affected everyone without exception. Thank you for everything you have done to support your children to thrive despite the turbulent times. We have proven that working together brings routine and security for our pupils and it is because of this that they are remaining calm, hardworking and positive. Each child is a credit to their family and we are proud to work in such a supportive community. I hope that you find time to rest, to relax and to enjoy some quality family time during the half term holiday.

Yours sincerely,



Miss Mitchell
Interim Head of School