



Edgewood Primary School

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End of half term newsletter

Dear parents/carers,

Behaviour

As we come to the end of what has seemed a very long half term in so many ways I wanted to thank the pupils for their generally excellent behaviour this term. Across the school as a whole we are well below the numbers of Red Cards and Consequences that we would usually see in the Autumn term at this stage and I hope that this continues for the rest of the year.

Only 12 children have received a Red Card so far this term and I hope those children will reflect on their behaviour during the break and ensure they come back to school motivated and ready to follow our school rules being Respectful, Ambitious, Proud and Safe in school at all times.

Attendance

Attendance had started the year well but in the last few weeks, with an increasing number of illnesses such as colds and stomach aches, we have seen the numbers at school reduce sharply, due to non-Covid reasons. While we are not asking you to send your child in if they are too ill to attend school, please make every effort to send them in if they are well enough and not contagious.

Please remember a good level of attendance is defined nationally as 97% and this is just under 6 days off school in an entire year. The level for being counted as persistently absent is 90% and this is only 19 days off in an entire school year!

At present, coronavirus cases in our school are much lower than in many other schools thanks to those of you keeping your children at home and getting them tested when you have a positive case in your family. We really thank you for doing this as it is definitely reducing the chance of coronavirus spreading in our school community and keeping everyone safer. Please see my letter sent out yesterday for more details.

Staff news

I am sorry to announce that Miss Maitland will be leaving us at Christmas. She is looking forward to working in a role out of the classroom and we wish her all the best in the future.

We are delighted to say that yesterday we appointed Jenny Miles who will take over Amarillo Class in January. She is a very experienced classroom teacher who has done some supply work this term at Edgewood since leaving her previous school in the summer. I hope you will all make her feel very welcome into our school community.

Have a wonderful half term and we will see you all back in school on Monday, 1st November 2021.

Yours faithfully,

Ed Seeley,

Headteacher.



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