

Lea Endowed CE Primary School Lea Endowed News No 6 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2016 Our theme this half term is **FRIENDSHIP** 

"Reliable friends who do what they say are like cool drinks in sweltering heat—refreshing!" Proverbs 25:13."

A very special thank you to all those families who joined us at St Christopher's on Sunday morning for the Harvest Service. The children did a great job with bible readings, prayers and showing the congregation how we are helping New Life School in The Gambia. Please continue to send in your kind donations- we will be collecting until at least half term and then they will all be packed up onto a container and shipped out to our neighbours in Africa. Thank you again; your generosity makes a huge difference.

#### Mrs Seagrave's Good Manners Award

Congratulations to Natasha Ramsay who won my good manners award last Friday. Natasha always shows great manners and respect to all members of our school family and we are extremely proud of her. Keep shining Natasha!

### **Healthy Heroes Challenge**

This week's challenge is:

"Have a good sleep every night"

## **Online Safety**

As I'm sure you are already very much aware, online safety is an area that we teach weekly in school. We give the safety of our children the highest priority. Please read the following quote from the **NSPCC** and use the link below to find further help and advice about keeping your child safe when using technology and reduce the risk of them becoming involved in "sexting behaviour" "Although viewed by many young people as a 'normal' or 'mundane' activity and part of 'flirting', by sending an explicit image, a young person is producing and distributing child abuse images and risks being prosecuted, even if the picture is taken and shared with their permission. They can also be at increased risk of blackmail, bullying, emotional distress and unwanted attention. Whilst it is usually more common with teenagers, sexting behaviour can impact on younger children, for example risk taking behaviour or natural curiosity" <a href="https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-childrensafe/sexting">https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-childrensafe/sexting</a>

### **New Clubs**

Mr Smith starts his first Rugby Club session on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October for children in Years 4, 5 and 6. Your child will have brought a letter home if they wanted to be considered for a place. Places will be allocated on a "first come first served" basis. Mrs Bolton is starting her Cookery Club next Wednesday for KS1 children. In order to give more children an opportunity to take part, Mrs Bolton is arranging blocks of 6 sessions. Letters have already been sent out to KS1 parents. We hope the children enjoy these new activities.

## **School Shoes**

With the change in the weather, the children do **not** need to bring in trainers to wear at playtimes as they will not be using the field at all if it is wet or muddy. If children are taking part in clubs after school, or at lunchtimes, which requires wearing different footwear, then those children will be notified by the teacher leading the activity.

# **Enough with the Creepy Clowns!**

You may have heard by now about people dressing up as clowns and using threatening behaviour. I have spoken to several parents who are very concerned about this unpleasant craze. Please note the following with regards to the Scary Clown Craze: "Lancashire Police would like to make it perfectly clear that reports of anyone behaving in this way, regardless of their intentions, will be taken seriously... This type of action could cause alarm or distress and could be deemed as Harassment and subsequently dealt with as a criminal offence." I have spoken to all the children to reassure them about this matter and how we will not allow any scare-mongering in our school. If appropriate for your child, please talk to them in order to reassure them. I know you will take appropriate precautions outside of school. We will address any inappropriate "clown related" behaviour in school as we want all our children to feel safe and happy, both at home and in school.

Thank you for your continued support,

