



## Primary 7!

### *A MESSAGE FROM MRS. BERRY*

I am really proud of Primary 7 so far this session. We have been working very hard and children are coming to school each day prepared to learn and succeed. They have really enjoyed using their pupil profiles to track their numeracy work and use it as a place to hold work they are particularly proud of. Many of you had the chance to see these white folders at our parent consultation evenings.

A big focus this year is ensuring that Primary 7s have opportunities to show how responsible they are and develop their leadership skills. Our house captains are doing a fantastic job and the Junior Road Safety Officers led an excellent Walk to School Week. Our prefects do a wonderful job throughout the week making sure the P1s are keeping themselves safe and having fun. The Eco Committee members have been showing the infants how to separate the rubbish from their lunches into the appropriate bins and recycling containers. Pupil Council members will be busy this term with me as we help develop issues identified in the School Improvement Plan. Our lead technician in P7 is helping to train people to use the laptop and sound system at assemblies and singing time. We have a great team who also help set up the hall for these events. P7 have also really enjoyed the time they have had with their P1 buddies.

### **HWB**

Throughout this term we will be continuing our unit on relationships. So far we have discussed the issue of stereotypes and prejudice. From here we will be looking at friendships, bullying, respect, life challenges and the concept of fairness. The aim of this unit is to emphasise to the children that success in relationship-building will help them as they become more independent and away from the boundaries of school and home.

### **Literacy**

We have spent a lot of time working on instructions this past term - identifying their main features and being able to write our own set of instructions. We will be starting a novel study this term as well as focusing on recounts in our non-fiction reading and writing.

### **Numeracy**

The class have worked extremely hard leading up to the October holiday, on fractions. We are now moving on to place value and money. Keep practising those times tables as well! Please take any opportunity in your day to day routine to point out how numeracy skills can be used.

### **Homework**

Overall, homework has been handed in on time and well done. We will be continuing with our spelling and maths weekly homework. Reading homework will also be included but will vary to suit the different skills we are working on.

### **Junior Tour Guides**

Thank you to all those who managed to make it to our launch days at the Chapel. The children have worked so hard and are now looking forward to performing for different schools. We are fully booked! Please remember on performance days that pupils should be wearing a shirt with no collar and black/dark shoes.

### **Friendly Reminder**

Please remember school uniform is required every day - including a Friday! I have reminded the class that make-up is not to be worn at school. As the weather changes it is really important children have a pair of indoor shoes to change in to.