



22nd October 2021

Executive Headteacher: **Gary Smith OBE**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Autumn Term Newsletter 2

It is hard to believe that we have reached half term already, although one of our year 7 girls has just told me "it feels like we've been back for ages". The children have really settled back in and it has been really lovely going around classes and seeing everyone engrossed in their learning and hearing a real buzz of activity.

As usual, a few bits to share with you all.

Environmental Awareness Award - Multi School Council

We were surprised and delighted to win an award from the Multi School Council for our work on recycling. Twice every week, our older children go round the school collecting the recycling which prevents it going to landfill. We have been doing this for a few years now and it is something the children really enjoy doing.

Year 11 Art Exhibition

Our year 11 students recently held an Art Exhibition in Frinton 'Art on the Rocks', as part of their GCSE portfolio work. Their work received lots of positive feedback from the public. Great work year 11!

School Ambassadors

Three of our year 9 students have been to speak to local trainee teachers about their own experiences of the school system and their experiences at Market Field School. They spoke honestly, bravely and from the heart. Well done John, Jake and Maryellen, we are proud of you all.

Multi School Council Ambassadors

Zakk, Isla-Mae and Reece have been busy this term in their work for the Multi School Council and are preparing to go to look around some other schools in Essex as Good Practice Seekers. Amazing stuff!

Covid-19

Children are coming home today (or may have earlier this week) with a work pack. We don't want them to do anything with this work pack. It is part of our ongoing 'readiness' work so that if a child or a class has to be off because of Covid-19, remote learning is



ready to go. Please pop it up on a high shelf and hopefully it can just collect dust over time and never be needed.

If your child is in year 7 upwards, please keep doing regular Lateral Flow Tests at home over the holiday (Sunday/Wednesday/Sunday). If they get a positive flow test, please send me a Dojo message (as well as booking a PCR test).

Swimming

Thank you so much for the donations of towels and swimming costumes/trunks. We are still running low on swimwear (particularly for senior classes) and would be grateful for any if you are having a clear out.

Data Sheets

If you haven't returned your data sheet yet, please will you do so. It is really important that we have up to date information for your child.

Clothing

Now the weather is turning cooler, it seems a good time to remind you to please make sure your child has a warm coat and appropriate footwear. We do go outside in all weathers. Please can you also dig out the laundry pen/sharpie and make sure all clothing is labelled. Whilst children are fairly good at the sniff test to work out whose jumper is whose, it isn't the most reliable method to identify clothing.

Absence Procedures

Reminder to parents to notify the office please of any student absence. It's fine to inform the class teacher via Dojo, however, please also notify the office. Also, although we are not encouraging holidays to be booked within the academic year, in the event that it cannot be avoided please put it in writing to the school office.

Have a lovely and relaxing half term holiday. We will see you all again on Monday 1st November.

Sincerely



Ruth
Head of School