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A message from Mrs Woodcock

As we reach the end of our first half term, I would like to take a moment to celebrate all that our children have achieved. It has been fantastic to see children settle so confidently into their new classes and routines, embracing the increased expectations that come with a new year group and rising to every challenge with enthusiasm and determination. Our on-site swimming pool provided exciting opportunities for children to develop their confidence and skills in the water, with many reaching new personal milestones. Forest School sessions have continued to inspire curiosity and resilience, as children have learned new skills, explored the natural environment and enjoyed the great outdoors. OPAL playtimes have been full of creativity, discovery and collaboration, with children using their imaginations, solving problems and creating memorable experiences together. Throughout the half term, we have also explored our school value of Respect, thinking carefully about how we show kindness, consideration and appreciation for others and the world around us. A particular highlight was our fantastic World Values Day celebration, where our theme of *Together We Make a Rainbow* celebrated the unique qualities that each person brings to our school community and how, together, we create something truly special. And most recently, our Spooky Disco was a huge success, with children looking incredible in their costumes and enjoying a fun-filled evening with friends. Thank you for your continued support this half term. We wish all of our families a happy, restful and enjoyable half-term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 2nd November.

Attendance

Excellent attendance is key to academic success and supports children in building positive relationships and confidence.

- **Overall School Attendance:** 92.7%
- **Class with Highest Attendance:** Rec (100%)

Well done Year Reception !

Keep up the great work, everyone. Remember, every day counts!

House Points

Birch

1480

Cedar

1546

Cherry Blossom

1511

Oak

1446



Well done to Cedar who have achieved the most house points this half term and have enjoyed an afternoon celebrating !



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Star of the Week	Active Learner
Each week, we celebrate a 'Star of the Week' in every class. These children have been chosen by their teachers for demonstrating outstanding effort, kindness, or a fantastic attitude towards learning. A massive congratulations to all our stars! • Year 1: Lucy • Year 2: Barnaby • Year 3: Archie-Jay • Year 4: Travis • Year 5: Esme • Year 6: Sophia 	Our Active Learner award recognises children who consistently engage with their learning, ask thoughtful questions, and show a real curiosity about the world. We are so proud of these inquisitive minds! • Year 1 Ellis • Year 2: Ava • Year 3: Oscar • Year 4: Emily • Year 5: Ellis • Year 6: Lacey and Emma-Rose 
Birthday Celebration	
We love celebrating birthdays at Buckshaw Primary! This week and next week, we wish a very Happy Birthday to: Lauren, Mariam, Maisie, Cayson, Raith, Lacey, Kane, Faith and Amelia. 	



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