OLD FLETTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
Weekly Update - Monday 4th December 2023

What a Wonderful Wednesday!

As previously mentioned, we hosted two experts from the WalkThrus programme on Wednesday. They were John Tomsett and Andrew Rhodes. They spent the day with us looking at our teaching and learning and also our leadership of this programme. They were incredibly impressed by the work we have done and how teachers are implementing some of the WalkThru strategies; and they were very complimentary about the impact of these strategies on pupil's outcomes in lessons. They saw Early Years teachers and their focus on the number 6, up to Year 6 solving two-step worded problems involving money and writing high quality direct speech - and everything in between! During our staff meeting at the end of the day they shared that out of the 22 schools who have been part of this WalkThru implementation project, Old Fletton has the BEST implementation of any of the schools and has the most embedded practice. They will be returning on the 31st January to look at our implementation of a new strategy called 'Think-Pair-Share'.

Successful Election of a Parent Governor

I am delighted to announce that Phil Hopkins, who has children in Reception and Year 5, was successful in his application to become a Parent Governor. His current role involves expertise in Project Management, which I am sure will be of benefit to the school going forward. It is always wonderful to have expertise outside of education on the Governing Body.

Autism Workshop

Last Tuesday, Mrs Shaw worked with the Local Authority and we hosted an Autism Workshop event for staff from other schools to attend. This was a chance for us all to learn from each other about best practice, whilst recognising that the festive season can bring on additional challenges for pupils with Autism. The feedback from this event has been incredibly positive.

Mrs Mortell and Miss Connelly Lead on the Computing Curriculum

We have been in this role for many years, from the first introduction of iPads through to the emergency online learning (that we would probably all care to forget!). We are in the process of having a full audit of all our resources and are considering how to deploy them better for maximum effect. Once this work has been carried out and we have mapped the National Curriculum and linked Computing to other subjects where possible, we will then turn our focus to putting more fizz into this subject! We are being supported by the Own Trust for day-to-day management of technology and they are also providing expertise in taking our curriculum forward.

Diary Dates

Thursday 7th December
Nursery Concert
Year 2 Christmas Production 2:15pm

Friday 8th December
Year 1 Christmas Production at 2:15pm

Monday 11th December
Reception Christmas Production at 9:15am and 2:15pm

Tuesday 12th December
Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 19th December
Christmas Parties

Wednesday 20th December
Christmas Games Day
Last day of Term

Monday 8th January 2024
First day of Spring Term

Accelerated Reader

Week of 27th November - 1st December							
Number of quizzes passed				% of children who took at least one quiz last week			
3EB	26	5SS	50	3EB	90%	5SS	63%
3RP	68	5FS	100	3RP	97%	5FS	83%
4HT	59	6JP	50	4HT	93%	6JP	77%
4TD	25	6SM	38	4TD	66%	6SM	93%

Please note that older children will be reading longer books and therefore may not be quizzing as much as children reading shorter books.

Attendance

RSK	86.0%	3EB	89.3%
RMH	97.6%	4TD	84.7%
1NG	88.3%	4HT	91.0%
1JR	98.3%	5SS	96.7%
2CF	95.3%	5FS	99.7%
2AM	87.3%	6SM	93.7%
3RP	95.9%	6JP	96.7%