

Weekly Newsletter

CHARACTER TRAITS

This year across the Laurus Primary Schools we are introducing six 'character traits' as part of our curricula: bravery, citizenship, curiosity, gratitude, integrity and kindness.

These represent a range of qualities which we think mirror both our status as a UNICEF Rights Respecting School and also our three school rules: we are respectful, we do our best, we make good choices.

These character traits will be a central part of each year-group's termly Bookshelf, discussed in weekly assemblies and will also form the basis for the weekly achievement certificates the children receive.



Some of the traits are more complex than others but the concept is that the children's understanding of each one evolves over the course of their time with us and by the time they leave us, they are not only able to talk confidently about each one but regularly display behaviours which reflect them.

More information about these character traits and the 'cornerstones' which underpin them can be found on [the enrichment page of our website here](#). Additional information about how we nurture the personal development of your child [can be found here](#).



PARENTS' EVENING

Parents' Evenings will take place on Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th October. Parents can book a slot using the MCAS app from 7pm this evening. The booking portal will close on Monday 7th October at 10am. Attached to this newsletter is a leaflet with a 'how-to' for parents who are new to school or need a refresher on the process.

CAR PARK USE

The car park can be used for dropping off in the mornings but please only park in the disabled spaces if you have a blue badge. From 2pm, the car park can only be accessed by parents with a blue badge or a parking permit.

PTA UPDATE

Lots of exciting events for the diary coming up courtesy of our amazing PTA:

Christmas Fair planning meeting (Monday 30th September, 8pm, Platform 5, Cheadle Hulme) - come along if you want to get involved in planning the fair this year - everyone is welcome!

Disco (Thursday 17th October) - Don't forget to buy your [ticket!](#)

Wreath making workshop (Wednesday 4th December, 7pm, Platform 5, Cheadle Hulme) - [tickets](#) are on sale now. Join us for a festive and fun filled evening creating your own Christmas wreath

Don't forget to follow us on [instagram](#) and [facebook!](#)



School Rules

We are respectful

Everybody is valued and respected

We do our best

Everybody takes pride in all that they do

We make good choices

Everybody reflects on their behaviour and learns how to make good choices

PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE AN ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL - UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD NUTS, OR ANY PRODUCT CONTAINING NUTS, BE BROUGHT ON TO SCHOOL PREMISES.



CHARACTER FAVOURITES LUNCH

Our school kitchen are serving a special menu on Thursday 3rd October in place of their usual offer. A flyer is attached for all families to view and all options are available to choose from on the School Grid app. If your child has not tried school meals before, this is the perfect time to sample them.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 3rd Oct (5pm) - Pre School Curriculum Evening
- 9th-10th Oct - Parents' Evenings
- 11th October - Open Morning for prospective parents
- 15th Oct - Academy Committee Meeting
- 18th Oct - Last day of term
- 28th Oct - INSET Day
- 29th Oct - Start of term
- 7th Nov - Flu vaccinations
- 18th Nov - UK Parliament Week
- 29th Nov - PTA Christmas Fair
- 20th Dec - End of term