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## To the Parents

### Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body.

One of our main aims as primary educators is to foster a love of reading in all of our pupils. At its basic level, reading enables our children to access all areas of the curriculum, which is essential if they are to achieve their potential. Our goal in school is take children beyond this basic level and open up to them a world of creativity, imagination and fun. It is vital therefore that your child reads regularly at home; not just from their school reading book but from as many different sources as possible. Please support us in our aim to take children away from the TV and computers and back to reading books.

PS Hopkinson  
Headmaster

## Green Fingers

5 South have been learning about germination in their Science. We have watched cress seeds germinate and then grow. The children were amazed that seeds could germinate in the dark! They realised they only need water and warmth to germinate. They also now realise why flowers are not really seen in winter, as the seeds in the fridge didn't germinate. However, once in the warmth they did!



## Pupil Council

Whilst we are all still guessing at whether or not Mr Brown will hold a General Election soon, the pupils at Arnold busied themselves with the more important issue of electing members to represent them on the Pupil Council. Hopeful candidates made election speeches to their classmates; promising to make School a better place for all. The votes were then cast and those children with the most votes were duly elected.

Each of our Junior classes is represented on the Council which meets regularly with Mr Hopkinson. Their mandate is to get suggestions from their classmates for improving the School. At the first meeting there were already good ideas on the table and the Council is due to meet again before half term in order to turn some of their ideas into action.



The pupils councillors are: Annabel Counsell (3N), Jack Harvey (3S), Kensin Yeung (4N), William Marsh (4S), Katie Whitehead (5N), Amy Brennand (5S), Ishani Ghosh (6N) and Imogen Hirsh (6S).

## Kindergarten

This week the Kindergarten children have been talking about feelings, recognising the link between facial expressions and how they feel. They have enjoyed junk modelling and playing Ten-Pin Bowling.



The Tweenies have had lots of fun painting their hands and feet for a wall display. They have been exploring various musical instruments and enjoyed making lots of noise!!!!!!

The 2's room has been very busy this week. They have been painting, sticking and making glittery mobiles. Harry and Lucy have joined us this week and have made lots of new friends.

On Wednesday the children made jelly. They were able to watch the jelly crystals dissolve and helped to make individual portions. They had the jelly for snack on Thursday.

## House Points

	Total
Jebb	209
Scott	167
Ryder	204
Dickens	270

## Hockey

### A Team

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September Arnold's U11 hockey team played a home match against St Bedes of Manchester.

In the first half, Arnold had most possession of the ball and created many chances to score due to strong play by Grace Morris.

Later in the first half Francesca Beeby scored a close range shot to end the first half 1-0 Arnold. At half time Mr Hodgkinson gave us a team talk about how we should spread out more and make more passes.

In the second half St Bedes attacked more but our defence held strong and limited them to only a few half chances of a goal, due to good performances by Josephine Box and Sophie Thomas.

Arnold kept attacking and a great interception by Francesca Beeby followed by a great pass to myself which allowed me a shot on target, Daisy Bradley intercepted to give their goalkeeper no chance and gave us a 2-0 lead. The game ended at 2-0 to Arnold and every girl played very well for our 1<sup>st</sup> match of the season. It was a good team performance.

Thank you to Mr Hodgkinson and Mrs Knight for good support. We all had a great time. Well played girls.

*Hope Kneale Kaye, 6 North*

### B Team

On Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> September, Arnold's hockey B team played a home match against St Bedes. The game got off to a great start with Arnold passing the ball around really well, but unfortunately we were unable to put the ball in the back of the net.

When the whistle blew for half time, the score was 0 – 0. After an encouraging team talk, we all worked together more as a team, but sadly we were still unable to score leaving the final score 0 – 0.

Thank you to Mr Hodgkinson and Mrs Knight for supporting us - well played girls!

*By Emily Copp, 6 North*

## Football

The A team are now unbeaten after three games. Following their fine performance in the opening game the boys have been involved in two very close and hard fought games. The first a 3-3 draw against Merchant Taylor's, which was followed by a battling 2-1 win against St Bedes. The boys showed great determination and teamwork in both games. The B team had their first outing of the year, losing 1-9 to St Bedes.

## Cross Country



On Sunday morning, 35 of our pupils met Mr Storey by the Clock Tower in Stanley Park for the first round of the Blackpool and Fylde Cross Country Championships.

There were 4 races altogether – 2 for the younger boys and girls and 2 for the older boys and girls.

It would be unfair to single anybody out, because everybody tried their best, completed the course and represented our school very well.

The next race is in two weeks time on the 14<sup>th</sup> October.

Our Cross Country Club meets every Thursday at 12.30 pm and any junior pupil is very welcome to attend.

Well done everybody!

*Hope Kneale Kaye, 6 North*



## Happy Birthday

A happy birthday from everyone at Arnold to the following children who will be celebrating their special day in the next two weeks:

Matthew Sloane (K) Matthew Allen (1E) Charlie Fern (RW) Will Davidson (2W) Jennifer Power (3N) Nathan Gallagher (3S) Melissa Haythornthwaite (3N) Lewis Smith (3N) Ciaran Yeung (4N) Amy Brennan (5S) Kit Hopkins (6S) Samuel Hopkins (6S) Bethany Whiteside (6S) Thomas Leah (6S)

## Year 2 Trip



On Thursday we went to Myerscough College. First we found out where things come from. It was very exciting! We learnt that popcorn is made from sweet corn. The next activity was like a quiz. On the door it said Edible Zone. There was a banana plant, a cocoa plant and a tea plant. They were in a greenhouse to keep them hot. When we went outside I saw a sunflower, some strawberries and raspberries, apples and some caterpillars. They liked one plant but they didn't look like they liked the others as much. The last activity was planting a flower. We put compost in a pot. I watered it when I got home and planted it in my garden.

Christopher Bridges Year 2

## Puzzle Corner

### Number Cruncher:

The day before yesterday, Chris was 7 years old. Next year, he'll be 10. What day of the year is it?

*Last Issue's Answer: 76 (you add the two previous numbers)*

### Arnold Anagram:

Weary hands  
(singer)

*Last Issue's Answer: High School Musical*