

Newsletter 17 February Half Term

#### Dear families,

I wanted to start by apologising for the delay in sending this newsletter and for it being a shortened version. As I said in my message on the day we broke up I have hurt my knee and am on crutches! I wasn't in school 2 days in the final week and when I did get in I only managed to get to my office. I was hoping over the holiday I would rest and be back to full fitness to return but sadly I am still in a lot of pain, taking painkillers and on crutches. I am currently waiting for an MRI scan and Physio to determine what I have done.

I have been at Halesowen for over 20 years and never really had any time off- so it is hard for me to be away from work but I need to do the right thing and look after myself too. I will be in work as often as I can but I may not be on the gate or in assembly.

The good news is we have an amazing team at Halesowen C of E who will step in whenever I cannot be there. I will always be around to talk to them and support them. Please bear with me I will do my best to keep up to date with things.

We return to school on Monday with an exciting day having an author visit and I am sure we have lots of other exciting things to look forward to this half term .

Mrs Knowles



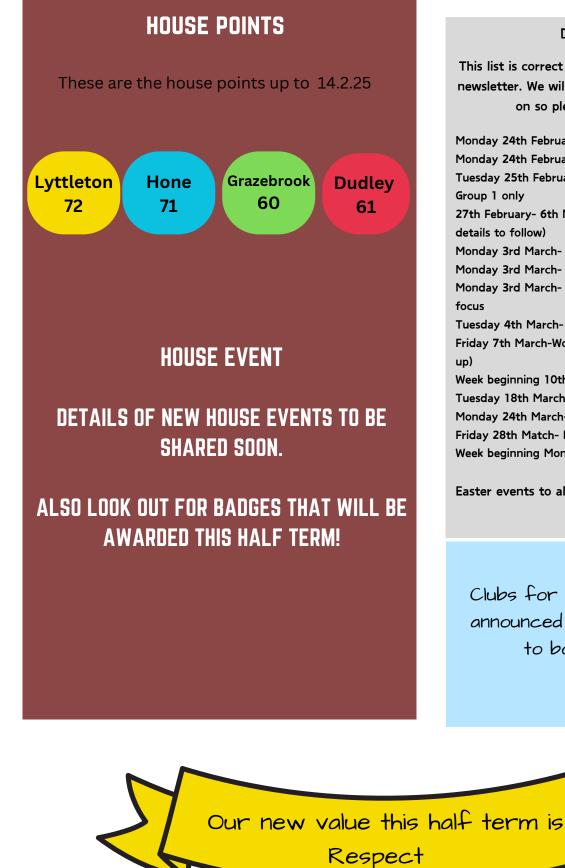
### **STAFF IN THE SPOTLIGHT!**



I have been a teacher here at Halesowen C of E for 10 years. I have taught Years 1-4 and love the differences in ages across the year

groups. I am currently teaching parttime as I have two young daughters. I also have 2 cats called Coco and Fudge. I love spending time with my family and friends and going for walks. I also love to bake yummy treats.... Cookies are my favourite!!! This week we are meeting Mrs Potter

Mrs Potter has been at Halesowen C of E for 10 years! She has taught all across school and even did a pastoral role for a while. She really cares about all the children and this makes her a very valued member of the team.





Diary Dates

This list is correct at the time of publishing this newsletter. We will add to this as the term goes on so please keep checking.

Monday 24th February- Return to school Monday 24th February - Author visit (key stage 2) Tuesday 25th February- Swimming starts for year 4-Group 1 only

27th February- 6th March Book fair in school ( More details to follow)

Monday 3rd March- New clubs start

Monday 3rd March- football matches

Monday 3rd March- Friday 7th March World Book week focus

Tuesday 4th March- (Shrove Tuesday) Pancake day. Friday 7th March-World Book day for us (no dressing up)

Week beginning 10th March- Parent Consultations. (TBC) Tuesday 18th March- Rhyming bible workshop Monday 24th March- Reception vision screening Friday 28th Match- Mothers Day activity/ event ( TBC) Week beginning Monday 31st March- RE week

Easter events to all be confirmed.



#### Clubs

Clubs for this half term will be announced and you will be able to book this week

# Star of the week



## **ATTENDANCE REWARDS**

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Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6

Well done to the weekly winners Year 3 class

Well done also to Reception in 2nd place and year 4 in 3rd place.

Next week we will announce the half termly winners.