



# New York Newsletter

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019



## Did you know?

### October - The eighth month?

October is the tenth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian Calendars, however October means "eighth month", as it was originally the eighth month on the ancient Roman calendar.

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Dear Parents and Carers,



### Sensory Bus:

You may have noticed the great big Purple bus parked in the playground on Monday. It is a fully accessible converted bus offering access to a sensory room and multi-sensory equipment which is funded by a grant from the Big Lottery Fund.

It's a spectacular sensory room packed full of exciting hi-tech and low-tech sensory equipment. Transforming into a different theme every few weeks, it uses coloured lights, sounds, projectors, aromatherapy diffusers, and a variety of sensory items to create immersive environments, which are both fascinating and educational for the user. The children can enter into a wondrous under sea world, or an atmospheric jungle, or perhaps; they'll find themselves in an extraordinary English country garden, with lots of sights, sounds, smells and textures to explore. All the children had a look round the bus on Monday. After half term it will be with us one day a week for six weeks, helping us to support our children.



### The Critters are back: Advice for all...

#### Guidance that we are given and are obliged to follow...

Professionals working in schools and other organisations should be aware that a 'Severe and Persistent Infestation' of head lice or 'nits' (NICE, 2016) could be an indicator of serious welfare concerns for children and young people. This has been evidenced in serious case reviews.

It is very common for children and young people to get head lice and it can take time to completely treat the infestation, particularly if more than one member of the family is infested. However, a prolonged and persistent failure by parents or carers to treat the infestation is likely to be distressing for the child and could also indicate other welfare issues.

Please see the NHS Head Lice & Nits web pages for practical advice on the most effective methods for getting rid of head lice and nits. Please also read the poster on the back of the newsletter.

If **all** parents follow these simple guidelines... we can eradicate the little critters!



### E-safety:

*Gaming - information for parents and carers...*

An extract from a conversation I had with a 7yr old this week...

"I went to my dad's at the weekend," explained the child. "I played Call of Duty, Walking Dead and Grand Theft Auto!"

These are **18+** games for a reason... They are ultra-violent and have a highly sexualised content that is completely and utterly inappropriate for primary aged children. If children have access to this material, then it becomes a **Child Protection** and **Safeguarding** issue... that by law... we have to report...

A great article... ThinkUKnow (CEOP) have written a very comprehensive article for parents and carers regarding gaming including chatting, risks, tips etc. You can view the full article here:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/gaming>

### Headteacher Awards:

<b>Isabella Place</b>	Reaching above the stars
<b>Flick Foster</b>	Excellent 'in the box' poem
<b>Riley Edwards</b>	Great leadership in Samba
<b>Alista Archibald</b>	Fantastic solo rhythm
<b>Jaxx Sidwells</b>	Reaching above the stars
<b>Bertie Hurst</b>	Reaching above the stars
<b>Jayden Hulley</b>	Reaching above the stars
<b>Kaiden Toulson</b>	Blending CVC words
<b>Kyle Edwards</b>	Reaching above the stars

## House Point Winners:

# The Green Emeralds!

## Stars of the Week:

### Class 1: Bertie Hurst Class 2: Isabella Place

### Shining Stars:

<b>Amelia Newman</b>	Progress at swimming
<b>Ciaran Parnham</b>	Progress at swimming
<b>Kaiden Sanders</b>	Progress in phonics
<b>Amelie Webb</b>	Using SPAG in her independent writing
<b>Harley Hulley</b>	Engaging in stories

### Dates for your diary:

Parents' Afternoon	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019
We'll Meet Again Museum Trip	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019
Harvest Assembly	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019
End of Term 1	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019
Start of Term 2	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019
End of Term 2	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019
Start of Term 3	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2020



## Aldi'S Kit for schools – We are collecting the stickers.

And... Just in case you didn't know... Rugby World Cup update, England are two wins out of two!  
England V Argentina Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October... 9.00am... ITV



End of Term 3

Start of Term 4

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020

# Worried about head lice?

## Head lice basics

- Head lice are insects that live on the human head and feed on blood from the scalp
- Head lice are tiny, and although they can't jump, hop, fly or swim, they can crawl extremely fast
- They have 6 legs ending in hook-shaped claws to tightly grasp the hair
- Each head louse has an adult life span of 30 days, during which it could lay up to 300 pearly-white eggs
- Head lice attach these eggs to the base of individual hairs close to the scalp
- Head lice aren't pleasant, but don't worry – they don't carry disease

## Is your family at risk?

- Humidity created by sweat on the human head is the ideal environment for head lice
- Head lice live in short or long, or clean or dirty hair, so tying it back, cutting it short, or washing it often won't help to treat or prevent it
- Head lice move from person to person by walking from one human head to another
- This happens during head-to-head contact, which is common when children play
- For this reason, you should be vigilant, because they could bring back more than just homework from school
- Head lice can be difficult to detect, although some people's heads may become itchy
- You may also see black specks on your pillowcase in the morning, which could be their skin or droppings
- The best way of keeping head lice under control is to check for them every week – make it part of your routine, e.g. on a Sunday, when getting ready for the week ahead

