



Dear Children and Parents,

We were so lucky this morning to have a visit from our local MP Ms Debbie Abrahams. She spoke to the children in assembly and shared a little about her role in parliament as well as her journey to becoming a Member of Parliament. The children listened very well and asked some very challenging and in depth questions. When asked what her three core values were she said that 'Kindness, Equality and Compassion' were central to the way she performs her responsibilities. Debbie spoke to the children about Nelson Mandela and how his journey has inspired her to seek equality for all in her political work.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Debbie for taking time out of her very busy week to come and spend a little time with our amazing children.

#### Black History Month

October is Black History Month and on Monday Mrs Rashid led an assembly on inspirational Black artists, activists and soldiers who have made a massive impact on British society. Throughout this month, the children will have further opportunities to find out more about inspiring individuals who can teach us valuable lessons for living in a more equal and diverse society.

#### Open Evening

Just a little reminder about the Beal Vale Open Evening on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021, 4-6pm. This event is primarily for the parents of children who are of the age to be joining Reception next academic year but we are happy to invite any parents of children for year groups that we currently have spaces in school. If you would like to attend this event, please contact the office on 0161 770 5752 to book a time slot for a tour and a chat with staff. Thank you.

#### Harvest Festival

We are now able to begin accepting Harvest Festival donations of tinned or dried food for the Salvation Army Food Bank appeal. If you are happy to donate an item, your child can bring it to class any day next week and they will be stored until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October when they will be collected for distribution to families in need. Thank you for supporting this most important of causes.

#### Parent and Teacher Association

I am so pleased that a handful of parents have shown interest in finding out a little more about the school PTA and how they can get involved in planning and holding fundraising events for the school. I would love for more parents to get involved in any way they can to help us to run events for the school community and raise money for the special little things that we currently cannot afford. If you have a little time to spare and would be interested, please speak to Mr Ball or contact the school office. Thank you for your support.

#### School Photographs

Say CHEESE!!! Our individual school photographs will be taking place on Monday next week – so comb your hair, brush your teeth and bring your best smiles.

Any parents wishing to arrange a sibling photograph with a child who is not at Beal Vale School, is invited to bring the children into the school, through the main doors at 8:30am on Monday.

#### Class Superstar

Our wonderful children have spent the week nominating their peers for the Class Superstar award for acts of kindness or being excellent role models.

Our Class Superstars were:

Year 1 – Zainab

Year 2 – Reva

Year 3 – Oscar

Year 4 – Sam

Year 5 – Logan

Year 6 – Natalia

#### Pupil of the Week

Our Pupils of the Week have been recognised by staff for going above and beyond this week:

Year 1 – Zayden

Year 2 – Mia-Rose

Year 3 – Nazia

Year 4 – Aiza

Year 5 – Jadan

Year 6 – Michael

Have a lovely weekend everyone. G Ball, Head Teacher.