

Learner Look-a-Like Day

On Friday 13th January we will be having a day all about thinking, what it means to be a great learner and how we can be better learners ourselves!

To help, we invite everyone to become a Learner Look-a-like by dressing up as someone who displays one of our Habits of Mind. The person can be real or fictional, dead or alive – the only rule is that they must show a Habit of Mind!

Here are some examples!



AMY POND

*Always **listened with understanding** to Rory and The Doctor*



GANDALF

***Persistent** getting Bilbo to join the adventure*



HERMIONE GRANGER

*Applied **past knowledge** to help defeat Voldemort*



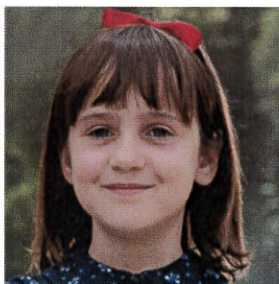
BRUCE BANNER

*Has to **manage his impulsivity** to not become Hulk*



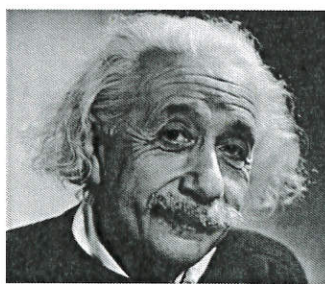
TONY STARK

***Finds humour** even when he is in trouble*



MATILDA

*Open to **continuous learning** about her gifts*



ALBERT EINSTEIN

*Used **thinking about thinking** to write about theory of relativity*



JANE AUSTEN

***Questioned** why women were told they had to behave a certain way*

There's a reminder of the Habit of Mind on the other side of this letter and children heard more ideas during assembly today so time to start thinking about who to dress up as!

We look forward to seeing everyone dressed as a as Learner Look-a-Like as possible next Friday!

HABITS OF MIND

Habits of Mind are characteristics of successful learners according to research. In other words, if you look at what successful learners do, how they approach problems, or how they behave in certain situations, they found all these things in common. They are written in scientific language but the meaning is straight forward. So far we have looked at eight Habits of Mind:

Managing impulsivity

Taking a breath before losing your temper or stopping when things go wrong

Persisting

Never giving up even when things are getting tough or going wrong

Questioning and posing problems

Look at things in a new way and finding the right question to ask

Applying past knowledge to new situations

Thinking about what you already know and using that in a new situation

Finding Humour

When it does go wrong, finding a way to raise a smile so it doesn't feel like the end of the world

Remaining open to continuous learning

Always looking for new things to learn and not being afraid to say you don't know something

Thinking about Thinking

Reflecting on what you've done and thinking about how well it went

Listening with understanding and empathy

Putting yourself in someone else's shoes to really understand what they are saying