Weekly Newsletter 10 (12th November 2021)

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The school calendar can be found on our website.

What's happening in school next week?

- Parents evening phone calls continue this week.
- Monday is Children in Need Film Night for Y2 children until 4.30pm. Entrance fee is £2.50 payable by ParentPay.
- Tuesday is International Day of Tolerance.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 8 on Tuesday 16th November.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday 17th November.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday.
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 3 on Wednesday welcome back lovely Mrs. Greenwood!
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 7 on Thursday and Friday. Mrs. Priest is attending paediatric first aid training.
- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 3 on Thursday morning. Mr. Barker is at a meeting.
- Thursday is Children in Need Film Night for Y1 children until 4.30pm. Entrance fee £2.50, payable by ParentPay.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- It's Children in Need on Friday 19th November see below for details.
- Class 2 have Forest School on Friday.

Looking ahead to the w.b. 22nd November 2021

- We're learning about Road Safety in school.
- Our Y2 children will be completing a phonics check in school this week. This check is usually carried out in Y1 (in June) but it was cancelled last summer because of Covid. The Government have now requested that all Y2 children complete the test this term. Your child's usual adults will carry out the check at some point next week. We will let you know your child's result – there is just a pass or fail.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 7 on Tuesday and Nursery on Wednesday.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 2 on Wednesday.
- School Nurses will be in school to carry out weighing, measuring and hearing checks for our Y1 and Reception children on Thursday and Friday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- Class 2 have Forest School on Friday.



Attendance

Class 1: 99%

Class 2: 98%

Class 3: 97%

Class 4: 83%

Class 5: 95%

Class 6: 95%

Class 7: 95%

Class 8: 94%

Our target attendance is 96%

This week's attendance is

94.5%

Well done Class 1

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

Logan Cordon who is like a different boy this year. He is so smiley and settled in school. He skips in each morning. He greets adults with a wave and a cheery hello. He tries hard when learning. It's delightful to see the transformation in him!

Nursery News

After reading The Smartest Giant in Town we have thought extra hard about how we can be kind like him. We also paid our respects on Remembrance Day. History is becoming a popular topic in Nursery – so many super questions.

Star of the Week

Junior Clegg is going from strength to strength. He is becoming a better listener, more chatty and is always kind and thoughtful to others.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Macaroni cheese with homemade garlic bread	Suasages with mashed potatoes and gravy	Roast chicken with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy	Kashmiri beef with wholegrain rice	Homemade cheese pizza with chips and tomato sauce
Dish of the day 2	Vegetarian chilli wedge bake	Vegetarian sausage with mashed potato and gravy	Quorn roast with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy	Quorn burger in a bun with jacket wedges and tomato sauce	Bean bake with chips and tomato sauce
Oven baked jacket potato	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo
Sandwich option	Egg	Ham	Ham	Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches	Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches
	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Carrots & sweetcorn	Green beans & cauliflower	Peas & carrots	Green beans & sweetcorn	Peas & baked beans
Desserts	Marble sponge and ice cream	Chocolate pinwheel shortbread & choc sauce	Jelly & mandarins	Cornflake tart with custard	Chocolate shortbread biscuit with apple wedges

Children in Need 19th November 2021

This year the children can dress up in anything spotty. We are going to have a Games Day in school. We are going to hold a Fun Run for the children in their double/triple bubbles. We will decorate the classrooms in all things spotty and hold a little talent show. Reception are going to have a cinema session in their classrooms.

Year Two are invited to a Film Night on Monday 15th November until 4.30pm. Year One children are invited to one on Thursday 18th November – again until 4.30pm. We ask for a donation of £2.50 via ParentPay and we'll provide drinks and popcorn. On both evenings please collect the children at 4.30pm from the main playground. We ask that parents socially distance as much as they can. We will hand the children over to you one by one, as we do at the end of the school day.

All Children in Need donations can be made via ParentPay. Thank you to Mrs. Priest and Mrs. McGhee for getting us organised this year.

The children's out of school achievements this week. The children love sharing these in assembly so please keep sending them in. They say they feel proud in front of their friends.



Level 1 Ice Skating achieved. Well done you!



Mr. Barker spotted this little girl on our climbing wall – she had a great technique so he suggested to mum and dad they take her to a climbing wall. As you can see, she's a natural! Well done Mr. B, parents and Emily.







Congratulations to this lovely little girl who was christened over the weekend. She also planted a tree to help improve and save this amazing planet we live on.



Friends having fun after their swimming lesson.















Aroussia Lahdiri is making super progress in reading.

Holly Gillott and Erin Cottam are always super helpful in the classroom.

Albie Whittaker for brilliant detailed painting.

Sophia Watkinson for writing fantastic sentences.

Ellis Chadwick has settled back into Class 3 so well. It's like he's never been away.

Tilly McGhee is always so polite and helpful.

Hattie Simpson for being so kind and considerate. She stopped what she was doing in the middle of PE to help a classmate out.

Chester Slater listens so carefully on the carpet that he is able to answer any question asked.

Alfie Bishop can think of a sentence for every Ninja word Class 5 talk about. He pulls some lovely 'thinking faces' when he tells you his ideas.

Emily Chappell for being so happy to share her fabulous experiences and ideas from outside school. They help to inspire us all.

Kelvin Whiskey-Kiffin for getting on with his number thinking all by himself. What a maths wizard he is!

Aubree Donovan for making an amazing superhero mask.

Bridie Nance took her time when mixing the colours of paint for her poppy.

Remy Clayton was very proud of himself when he wrote his name independently.

Frankie Lakin has done fabulous maths this week. She has worked very hard.

Bill Dang for taking his time when completing a pencil control sheet. It was very neat!

Wrenn Boden-Roebuck for always being kind and helpful.

Well done to all of the children in Class 6 for their fantastic behaviour when out on a local walk.

Kamryn Bradley Dixon has made some very positive choices throughout the week.

Alice Marsh is learning her alphabet sounds by looking, listening and joining in.

Finley Wright plays very kindly with Lenny Levitt. They make up fun stories together.

Tom Turner is practising his reading at home.



Tweak of the Week: Walk in School.

Information Sessions for Parents

Many thanks to parents who completed the recent Survey Monkey on the best times and way to provide you with information on how we teach in school, how young children learn etc. By far the most popular and convenient times for parents were between 5.00 & 7.00pm. With that in mind we have pencilled in the following sessions which will take place in our school hall.

Thursday 18th November – how we teach the children our complicated alphabet system – 5.30-6.30pm.

Thursday 2nd December – How we teach the children to write letters correctly and how we teach joined handwriting. 5.00-6.00pm.

Thursday 13th January 2022 – How do young children learn to write? 5.30-6.30pm.

Thursday 20th January 2022 – How do we teach maths in school? 5.30 – 6.30pm.

Please follow the link to 'book' the sessions you are interested in attending. Knowing who is coming, what age your children are will help us plan to make sure the session is relevant for you. We will run the sessions if we have enough interested parents for each session.

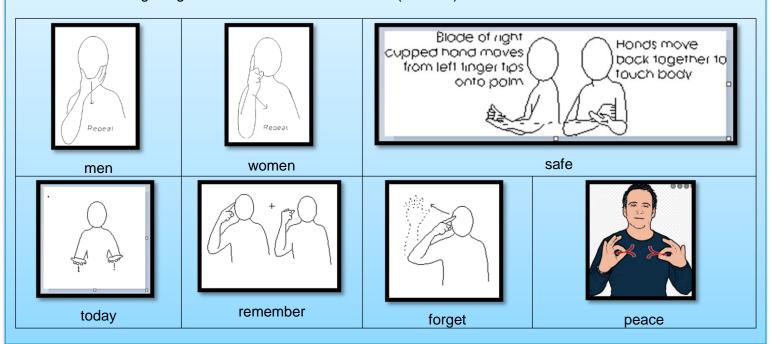
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Lost Property

We have a small mountain of lost property at the moment. We are going to put it outside the office each morning next week. Please come and retrieve anything you've lost. Anything named has been returned to children. At the end of next week we will take what is left to be recycled.

Makaton signs this week

We've been learning songs about remembrance this week (and last).



Assembly Theme: One Kind Word – It's Anti-bullying Week.

10 day Active Challenge – design a badge competition

Next year the 10 day active challenge is taking place in March and the organisers want a new Spring-themed badge.

We have sent you the footprint template. If you'd like us to print one off for you, just pop to the school office to pick one up. The winning design will be made into a badge ready for next March. The actual badges are tiny so the design needs to be bold and colourful. Any text (writing) on the design doesn't work well.

Please hand in your finished designs to your child's class teacher and we'll get them sent off. They need to be with us by Wednesday 15th December.

Christmas Nativities

We have not completely ruled out the possibility of parents coming into school to watch our nativities this year. Being honest, I think the chance is slim but we won't make a definite decision until nearer the time.

So, as an alternative plan, we have arranged for each nativity to be professionally filmed. The 'camera man' works with Steve Cooper, our school photographer and all the necessary safeguarding checks have been completed.

Rehearsals are due to begin but before we allocate parts to the children, we want to ask for your permission for your child to be included in the film and for this film then to be distributed to parents of specific classes.

This year Classes 1 & 2 are working on a Nativity, 3 & 5 on a different one and 6, 7 & 8 are working together. The staff are conscious of not casting the key characters only to discover that the child cannot be included in the film. All the children will take part in the rehearsals; only those for whom we do not have permission will be excluded from the film. We do not intend to put the films on our school website for wider broadcasting.

To collect your permission quickly, we've created a survey monkey. We ask that you complete this whether the answer is yes or no. Please complete the survey by 3.00pm on Friday 19th November so 'casting' can take place. In the meantime, we will get busy learning songs. Here is the link to the survey monkey:

https://www.survevmonkev.co.uk/r/N73PB2W





The children paid their respects this morning in assembly. Some children placed their poppy at the foot of the Clock Tower – we had it showing on our big screen. They listened to The Last Post and learned about it. We held a minutes silence at 11 o'clock. The whole school fell silent, not a whisper from anyone. That's quite a feat in a Nursery Infant School. This is a lovely film which helps the children understand the significance of the poppy.

