



Newsletter – 22nd November 2021

On this day - 2003: England win the men's rugby world cup, beating Australia in Sydney.
Birthdays - 1967: Boris Becker, German tennis player, born in Leimen, Germany.

Dear parents, carers and families,

I wanted to start this week by thanking our community of parents, children and staff for supporting the whole-school events we marked last week. Each class was able to spend time reflecting on Anti-Bullying Week 2021, following our Odd Socks Day last Monday. At the end of the week, it was great to see the range of ways in which children and adults had added Children in Need spots to their clothes, hair and bodies. Our community raised over £150 for the charity through the collection bucket before and after school. Thank you so very much for your support!

Last week, our Year 6 children took part in some cooking lessons with Cater Link. They were able to explore baking bread and creating a stir-fry dish as part of their new topic. On Friday morning we were treated to live music in assembly, thanks to John on the cornet and Zach on the trombone. Both children showed a great deal of courage and confidence and the audience were very impressed with their performances. Well done, boys!

Meeting links for this week's parent appointments will be sent out on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively. Please help us by having the links ready and ensuring you are requesting to join the correct meeting at the correct time. We understand these appointments are very important for you and we are keen for things to run as smoothly as possible. Please call into the office or ask us in the mornings if you have any queries.

I have had a couple of questions regarding the Flu Nasal Spray event listed below for December 8th. This is a second visit from the team to vaccinate children they were unable to see last time, or who have registered for the vaccination since the first visit. Children who received it last time will not be called again.

Finally, an update on whole school attendance and punctuality. Alongside the Covid-19 situation, there have been several heavy colds and some bouts of sickness within our community, so an overall attendance of 97.8% for the last week is still very respectable. Of the children in school, 94.4% of arrivals were before 8.50am, with 1.6% of arrivals after 9.00am. We are keen to bring that last figure down as a first target and we appreciate your support with this.

With best wishes for the week ahead,
Richard Martin.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 23rd November: Virtual Parents Evening #1

Wednesday 24th November: Virtual Parents Evening #2

Wednesday 8th December: Flu Nasal Spray – NHS.

Tuesday 14th December: Royal Institute of Science events.

Wednesday 15th December: Christmas Dinner.

Thursday 16th December: Pantomime in school.

Friday 17th December: Last day of term & dress-down day.

Tues 4th January 2022: Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday (observed).

Weds 5th January 2022: Professional Development day for staff.

Thursday 6th January 2022: All children return to school.

Attendance data...

1 st	Hawthorn Class	100%
2 nd	Pine Class	98.4%
3 rd	Hazel Class	97.5%
4 th	Beech Class	97.5%
5 th	Oak Class	97.3%
6 th	Elder Class	97%
7 th	Elm Class	96.9%

Punctuality data...

1 st	Hawthorn Class	98.2%
2 nd	Oak Class	96.3%
3 rd	Pine Class	94.8%
4 th	Elm Class	94.4%
5 th	Hazel Class	93.3%
6 th	Beech Class	92.8%
7 th	Elder Class	91%

