



Dear Parents and Carers,

Next Monday marks the beginning of 'Anti-Bullying Week 2023'. This year it has the theme 'Make A Noise About Bullying' and will take place from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November. The week will be kicked off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 13th November, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. For more information on how you can start a conversation around bullying with your child at home, no matter the age of your child, please follow the link [Parents and Carers \(anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk\)](https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)

Mrs Smith and Mr Penny



Last Wednesday the intrepid explorers of Class R braved the whistling wind and drenching downpours and made it to the warm and toasty surroundings of forest school. For many it was their first visit and the grown ups were wowed by both their behaviour and their curiosity. We started with a leaf hunt (who knew we had so many experts in the class!) and went on to enjoy chatting around the camp fire, making apple juice, toasting marshmallows and letting our imaginations run wild around the forest school area. The weather may have been miserable but we were far from it and the smiles never left our faces. We can't wait for our next go!

Mrs Atterton



This week we have been learning about Remembrance Day, We have looked at the reasons why we celebrate this day and why there are different coloured poppies. We have done lots of crafts, watched parades and visited the church to see the war memorial. We also had forest school where we got to do leaf art (including decorating Mr Wedderkopp!) and made our own yummy apple juice to drink all nice and warm when back at pre-school.

Charlotte P-K



Class 1 have had a little visitor this week. A hedgehog has been sleeping in our leaf pile! We drew some pictures of our new friend, 'Florence'.

Ms Boullin

Diary Dates

Forest School Wednesdays

Class 6 - 15th November
 Class 5 - 22nd November
 Class 4 - 29th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 13th November -
 Friday 17th November
 'Make a Noise about Bullying'.

Odd Socks Day

Monday 13th November
 Pupils are invited to wear odd socks with their school uniform to celebrate what makes us unique

Whole School Flu Vaccinations (Year R to 6)

Wednesday 15th November

Parents' Evening 1

Thursday 16th November
 5 - 7.30pm

Children in Need

Friday 17th November
 Non-School Uniform - Children are invited to dress in spots and stripes, if they wish. Please donate directly to Children in Need.

Parents' Evening 2

Tuesday 21st November
 3.40 - 6pm

MSA Christmas Fair

Friday 8th December

Christmas Lunch Box Party

Tuesday 12th December

Class R Nativity for parents

Tuesday 12th December

Kingsmead Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 13th December

Christmas Service, St Michael's Church

Friday 15th December at 2pm

Many thanks to Elliott for wowing us with his trumpet, we were all spell bound as he played! If you learn an instrument and would like to perform it in front of the school please come and speak with me. *Ms Brooke*



OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

- Preschool **Hattie** for always being so polite.
- Class R **Luca** for paying close attention to detail when painting the Gruffalo.
- Class 1 **Nina B** for your excellent work solving subtraction problems.
- Class 2 **Jayden** for using resources well to show your mathematical thinking.
- Class 3 **Harper and Betsy** for your focus and hard work in all your learning this week.
- Class 4 **Cas** for involvement and participation in our maths lessons this week. Well done!
- Class 5 **Kit** for the efforts he is putting in to all aspects of his learning, especially writing.
- Class 6 **Charlotte** for her focus, drive and energy towards her learning this week.



5 children from Year 4 represented the school on Thursday 9th November in a football session. They played lots of fun games and finished with a match. They showed great listening and perseverance as they improve their skills. You were all fab, well done!

Miss Storey



In school, we will be taking part in 'Switch Off Fortnight' from Monday. We will be trying our best to get into good habits, switching off electrical equipment and lights when they are not being used. We would love it if you would join in at home too.

Eco Committee



Next week on Friday, we will be celebrating Children in Need as a school. If your child would like to participate, then they can wear something spotty or stripy. You can donate via this link www.donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk or bring your donations into school. Thank you for any donations.

Luke, Year 6 School Council



Classes 2 and 5 welcomed Naomi from Devon and Somerset Fire Service into school today. She told us what the role of the fire service is, the clothes they wear when working and the sorts of emergencies they have to deal with. We were re-

minded about the importance of being safe in the home, testing smoke alarms regularly and what to do in case of fire.

Ms Brooke

House Points	Weekly Total	Half Term
London Plane	127	390
Cork Oak	169	415
Blue Cedar	146	360
Horse Chestnut	177	404

This week we celebrate Remembrance Day. In assembly we had a two minute silence where we thought about all the soldiers who got injured or died in the war. The Year Six school councillors went round collecting money and giving out poppies. Thank you to everyone who has donated money or worn a poppy this week, it's really appreciated!

Elsie G, Year 6 School Council





This year we will be running digital competitions to encourage children to use their skills they have learnt in Computing while still remaining safe online. Our first competition of the year is Christmas themed and is **NOW OPEN** on PurpleMash. If children need help accessing PurpleMash at home, please ask them to speak with Miss Downer. Find further details of our competition on the posters around school or talk to us in person!

Digital Leaders



Class 3 looked at the poem *In Flanders Fields* for Remembrance before creating a blackout poem using oil pastels and a variety of different techniques such as shading, smudging, cross-hatching and dotting. All of their chosen pictures were inspired by the colours and symbols of Remembrance.

Miss Downer