

## **Newsletter 12.11.21**

## Anti-bullying Week and Odd Sock Day (Monday 15th November)

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or to buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks to your school, it couldn't be simpler! Odd Socks day will take place on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week to help raise awareness of bullying.

Anti-Bullying Week is coordinated In England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and takes place from 15 to 19 November 2021 and it has the theme One Kind Word.

Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us. This is one of the reasons that 'One Kind Word' has been chosen as the theme of Anti-Bullying Week taking place from 15 to 19 of November 2021.

## Kindness underpins our school rules:

- Kind Words
- Kind Hands
- Kind Feet

#### Our call to action:

- Ask if someone's OK. Say you're sorry. Just say hey.
- In a world that can sometimes feel like it's filled with negativity, one kind word can provide a moment of hope. It can be a turning point. It can change someone's perspective. It can change their day. It can change the course of a conversation and break the cycle of bullying.

- Best of all, one kind word leads to another. Kindness fuels kindness. So from the playground to Parliament, and from our phones to our homes, together, our actions can fire a chain reaction that powers positivity.
- It starts with one kind word. It starts today.

## **Remembrance Day**

Year 6 led our service of remembrance. They read poems and prayers that they had written. Some of these can be seen on our website.

https://www.stsilasprimary.co.uk/news/2021-11-12-remembrance

## **Year 4 Trip**

Year 4 visited Blackburn museum to enhance their learning about Ancient Egypt. Some photographs can be seen on our webpage.

https://www.stsilasprimary.co.uk/news/2021-11-08-year-4-trip-to-blackburn-museum

## **Tapestry**

Reception parents please activate your Tapestry account so that your child's teacher can share photographs of your child's work with you. We are excited that we will be able to communicate in a more meaningful way with you through this software.

#### **School Tour**

If you are interested to know more about our school and what your child does in school, please contact the office on 01254 698447 to make an appointment for a personal tour or you could make an appointment when you are in school for Parents' Evening.

## **Primary School Applications for September 2022**

If you have a child due to start school in September 2022 please do not forget to apply for your child's place. If you need help to apply online please contact our family worker, Rehana Patel, who will arrange to help you.

## **Attendance**



The class with the best attendance over the last week is Alder with 99% attendance again. Well done to everyone in Alder class.

Overall attendance this week is 93%. National attendance is around 96%.

If your child's attendance is 90% over the year it means that they are missing a day's education every other week. This leads to gaps in their learning and impacts on their friendships.

Holidays are not authorised during term time because they really impact your child's education. When they return to school they can find it difficult because their friends will have made new friends. Extended holidays can have a negative impact on your child's well being when they return to school. This is why you face either being fined or losing your child's place at our school if you take an extended holiday.

## **Dates for the Diary**

- Odd sock day-Monday 15th November
- Anti-bullying week-15th November
- Closing date for Primary School Application 15.1.21
- School closes on Friday 17th December at 1.30pm

## **Family Point Winners**

The table shows first, second, third and fourth for this week. The winning family is highlighted in yellow.

Family/Week	<u>5.11.21</u>	12.11.21		
<u>Love</u>	1	3		
Belonging	2	2		
<u>Thankfulness</u>	4	4		
<u>Service</u>	3	1		

# S.A.M. Star of the Week and Sports Star of the Week

Class	S.A.M. Award	Sports Star of the Week	
Hawthorn	Syeda Fatima	Aisha	
Hornbeam	Jabir	Khadeejah	
Beech	Saara	N/A	
Alder	Zubayr	N/A	
Elder	Malaika	Zainab	
Rowan	Aaminah	Umar	
Birch	Anaya A	Anaya ST	
Cherry	Amira	Anastasia	
Willow	Noor Fatima	Eliza	
Oak	Abdullah	Biner and Samaira	
Ash/Elm	Amatullah	Annayah	

# **Twitter**

Please follow our Twitter account. https://twitter.com/StSilas\_Primary to keep up to date with events in our school.



Loving God and each other, we work together to be the best that we can.