

Weekly Update: 12th November 2021

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

Yesterday, we respected two minutes' silence as a whole school in Remembrance of our Armed Forces and of wars fought. On Sunday, the eight Year 6 House Captains and I will be attending the village Remembrance Sunday Service where the pupils will be sharing their poetry, laying wreaths on behalf of the school and paying their respects. Thank you for supporting the 'Poppy Appeal'- we will inform you in due course of the monies raised.

# Dates for your diary

W/B 15<sup>th</sup> November: Anti Bullying Week Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 'Odd Socks Day'

Friday 19th November: Return shoe boxes for Eastern Europe by this date please

Friday 19th November: Children in Need Non-Uniform (MUFTI) Day Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December: Year 6 SATS information evening for parents

w/b 6th December: Assessment week

Thursday 9th December: Christingle Service

Friday 10th December: Christmas Jumper day for Save the Children/PTA 'Mall' shopping day

Monday 13th December: Closing date for Christmas colouring competition Tuesday 14th December (2pm start TBC): Reception, Year 1 and 2 Nativity Wednesday 15th December (6pm start TBC): Reception, Year 1 and 2 Nativity

Thursday 16th December: Christmas Dinner

Friday 17th December: Christmas Carol Service. Last day of term.

Tuesday 4th January: INSET Day

Monday 6th June: Additional Day for the Queen's Jubilee

Monday 25 July: INSET Day Tuesday 26 July: INSET Day

## Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 15th November is 'Odd Socks Day'. 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 school (No money required). 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.

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#### Children In Need

Friday  $19^{th}$  November is 'Children in Need' day, an annual favourite. It will be a non-uniform day, and we ask for a voluntary donation of £1. All money made will go to the charity. (Please no make-up, face paints or hairdye).

## School Council

Votes have been counted from our free and fair elections held last Friday on 'Democracy Day'. The following children have been elected onto the School Council:

Pippin: Millie S Maigold: Millie C

Gala: Dylan

Discovery: Mia G Camelot: Harriet Blenheim: Rylee

#### PTA Christmas Card Orders

Don't forget to order your child's Christmas cards using the following codes:



## On-Line Safety

A viral post is circulating on social media about a child accidentally stumbling across a video called 'Evil Santa' on YouTube Kids. The video allegedly features Santa telling the child to harm themselves and others to get more presents. The post has been shared widely on social media, worrying parents and carers.

Headteacher:



Whilst the video itself cannot be sourced or found; it appears that a concerned parent may have shared a post outlining the child's description of what they said they saw. Experts have not been able to find evidence of these videos online and assess that the greatest risk at present is driven by people re-sharing this post with others, amplifying anxiety and influencing search algorithms. Online safety experts will continue to monitor this situation.

## Shoe Box Appeal

We still have a few shoes boxes for our appeal if they are needed. Please can shoes boxes be returned by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Awards**

Although we were unable to welcome parents/carers to our celebration assembly today, we are all so proud of the following pupils:

## Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Oliver

Maigold: George

Gala: Jacob

Discovery: Clemmie

Camelot: Joseph

Blenheim: Chloe

# Running Rockstars (Daily Mile)

Discovery: Jasper

Camelot: Casper

Blenheim: Alfie

#### Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Emily

Maigold: Emily

Gala: Miila

Headteacher: Mrs Ali Pook



Camelot: Amy C

Blenheim: Chloe

Swimming stage 1: Izabelle (Pippin)

## Well being tip for the week

Take a few minutes each day this week to remember those who have given something of themselves to help you. Sit quietly with a cuppa or maybe take time to share your memories with others. As you reflect on the people who have helped you perhaps say a prayer for them or simply say 'Thank you' for all they have done. If the person, or people, are still with us why not send them a message to say, 'Thank you'. Who are you going above and beyond to help? Thank you for all that you are doing for others.

Ali Pook

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