



Dear Parents and Carers,

Super start to the half term – the children and staff have had an exciting week, concert songs have begun to be practised, Remembrance learning in our special Ks1 and 2 services and new topic based activities we are really enjoying together.



News this week....

In EYFS – In FS1 the children have been painting fireworks linked to bonfire night and also reading the 'Blue Chameleon' story focusing on our colour of the week! This week FS2 with Mrs Sparrow's class in Literacy they have been focusing on bonfire night and fireworks they have learnt a fireworks song. They also have learnt what noises fireworks make. The children have done some super firework Art too.

In KS1 - Mrs Steeper's class have been learning about the gunpowder plot. The children enjoyed Mr Grimley's assembly so much they decided to write to him. See below about Year 2 children's poetry being published into a real book!

In KS2 – In Year 3 children have been learning about remembrance in RE with Mrs Parkhurst. This week in Year 6 we have been focusing on simplifying fractions in Maths. We really enjoyed our visit from Mr Grimley reflecting on our friends and loved ones we may have lost.

Remembrance Service – KS1 and KS2 showed great respect to our special veteran visitor Mr Grimley. We listened to information about war time and our country's armed forces as part of our learning leading to Armistice Day on 11th November. We cannot wait to share our learning outcomes in our assemblies next week and show our respects on Monday 11th with a minutes silence at 11 o'clock.



Reminder – Could we remind children and families that toys should not be brought to school even for golden time on a Friday. If children's items get lost or broken this can cause distress and upset. We provide our children with all the resources they need to support learning and play. Thank you

Anti-Bullying Week – Next week we will be learning about anti bullying, online safety and our student council will be sharing our new school motto and posters they have been working on with Miss Ogle. On **Friday 15th November** we are celebrating odd sock day – your child/ren can come to school wearing odd socks to share in learning about differences.

Cinema evening – for Year 1 and 2 children will be on 12th December 3:00-5:00p.m. Letters for a place will go out soon, please return these as soon as possible with **payment** to get a place.



KS1 Poets – Year 2 children entered a **Young Writers competition** called 'My First Acrostic Poem'. We cannot believe the news but **all the children's entries have been accepted to be published** into their real poetry book. Mrs Steeper will be sending out more information to all our Year 2 children's parents/carers and we cannot wait to buy and see the poems in the book in our school library and class book area.



Attendance of the week – Class 1, Class 1/2 and Class 4/5 on 100%

Wow – amazing attendance this week! Keep it up.

After School Clubs – We run the following clubs from 3:00pm to 4:00pm for £1.00 per session:

Monday – Basketball – FS2 to Year 6

Wednesday – Multi-Skills – Year 1 to Year 6



Dates for your diary:

We try to give parents/carers plenty of notice of dates – however these may be subject to change, thank you.

Teacher training days: 2nd, 3rd, 4th September, Monday 4th November, Monday 20th July.

Once we join the Trust there will be an additional three teacher training days – this is for curriculum development to bring new exciting topics for the children across school. These will be Monday 24th February, Friday 22nd May and Monday 1st June.

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- **Tuesday 12th November** – FS1 Parents morning 09:00 – 10:00
- **Wednesday 13th November** – Class 2 Visit to Emergency Services Museum
- **Wednesday 13th November** – Flu immunisation Catch up Day
- **Monday 18th – Friday 22nd November** – FS World Nursery Rhyme Week
- **Friday 6th December** – Choccy dress down day
- **Concert Week** – 9th to 12th December
- **Thursday 12th December** – KS1 Cinema Evening 3:00 – 5:00
- **Friday 13th December** – Christmas Jumper Day
- **Friday 13th December** – Year 6, Carol Singing Tesco, Hatfield
- **Friday 13th December** – Class 2 & 3, Carol Singing at Hatfield House
- **Monday 16th December** - Class 2 & 3, Carol Singing Dunscroft Co-Op
- **Party Week** – 16th to 19th December
- **Thursday 19th December** – Children’s Christmas Fayre with Year 6
- **Friday 20th December** – Santa Visiting School!

CHRISTMAS BREAK – school breaks up on Friday 20th December and re-opens Monday 6th January 2020

- **Thursday 13th February 2020** – Valentine’s Disco – Details to follow

HALF TERM – school breaks up on Friday 14th February and re-opens Monday 24th February 2020

- **Wednesday 4th to Friday 6th March 2020** – Year 5 Residential to Kingswood

EASTER BREAK – school breaks up on Friday 3rd April and re-opens Monday 20th April 2020

- **Monday 27th April 2020** - Year 4 visit to Cresswell Craggs
- **Friday 1st May 2020** – Year 3 visit to Cresswell Craggs
- **Friday 8th May** – Bank Holiday

HALF TERM – school breaks up Friday 22nd May and re-opens Tuesday 2nd June 2020

- **Thursday 2nd to Friday 3rd July 2020** - Year 4 Residential to Austerfield
- **Wednesday 8th July 2020** – Open Evening
- **Friday 10th July 2020** – Year 6 Open Day
- **Monday 20th July 2020** – Teacher Training Day

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- **Wednesday 9th September 2020** – Years 3 & 4 visit to National Coal Mining Museum

With many thanks for your continued support!

Mrs F. Parish

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