

Friday 12th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a busy week in school. On Monday we had a whole school online assembly learning about Remembrance Day and Remembrance Sunday. They have done linked activities over the week and then took part in the two minutes silence yesterday. They have enjoyed buying and wearing their poppies. Thank you for all the donations; they all go to The Royal British Legion. Year 6 had a fantastic visit from the Marine Aquarium where they looked at turtle shells and a whale's tonsil, and used virtual reality goggles. Many thanks to Mrs Williamson for arranging this.

Today the children had a visit from Exmouth library where they were told all about a new Secret Quest the library has running. Please ask your child all about it.

Thank you to all those who attended the parents phonics/early reading session on Wednesday. The recording will be sent out over Google Classroom for you to watch if you were unable to join on the day. Christmas singing has already started in the younger classes for their nativities! We are still hoping to have the nativities performed in school to the parents if guidance allows.

Unfortunately our theatre production that was booked for KS1 today was cancelled due to one of the cast testing positive. We have rebooked for 13th January.

Christmas cards

Your child should bring home a Christmas card design today. If you wish to have them made into a pack of 12 cards please send them with payment by Thursday 18th at the latest. We are sorry for the short turnaround time - it has been unavoidable. They can return a different design if they wish but please ensure it is on the same size paper and no gluing or sticking is on it.

PE Impact day

On Thursday 18th we have another PE Impact day. This time the children will be doing gymnastics. Please can all children come in wearing PE kit on Thursday.

Recycling printer ink cartridges

If you have any of the small domestic printer ink cartridges that need recycling we now have a recycling box in school. Just bring the cartridges to the office where the box is located.

Sleep support

There is a new National Sleep Helpline. One in four children in the UK are not getting enough sleep, this has an impact on their behaviour and ability to learn, as well as their physical health.

The free helpline is run by trained sleep advisors who can talk to parents about any sleep issues.

The helpline is open 5 nights a week, Sunday to Thursday, 7-9pm and the number is 03303 530 541.

You can read more here: <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/national-sleep-helpline/> and the flyer is attached.

Thank you for your continued support

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Diary dates:

Week beginning 15th November – Anti-bullying week – activities in school across the week

Monday 15th November – Catch up photos 3.30pm in the hall

Wednesday 17th November – Rec, Yr 1 and 2 – tennis morning in school

Thursday 18th November – PE Impact day. All children to come in wearing PE kit.

Friday 19th November – Mufti Day for Children in Need. £1 donation.

Friday 19th November – PTA Film night

Wednesday 24th November – Author visit Yr 4, 5 and 6

Thursday 25th November – Recycling workshop – FSU and Yr 5.

Week beginning 29th November – Yr 6 Bikeability.

Friday 3rd December – Christmas present wrapping room

Wednesday 8th December 2.30pm and 6.00pm – KS1 Nativity

Wednesday 15th December – Christmas lunch

Silver Awards: Rowan Class – Noah, Kenny

Bronze Awards: Oak Class – Ruben, Felicia, Anna, Emily, Brooklyn, Ivy, Imogen, Harry, Samuel, Archie, Aria, Aidan, Arnie, Rowan Class – Tilly, Maple Class – Adam, Ellis, Emma

Stars of the week: Oak Class - Martha, Rowan Class - Isabelle, Sycamore Class - Rory, Cherry Class - Sukie, Maple Class - Gemma, Beech Class - Bella.