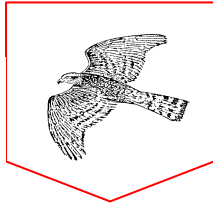


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Friday 17th November

Dear Parents,

It is wonderful today to see so many children coming into school wearing their spotty accessories! Thank you for supporting Children In Need. I will ensure I let you know how much money we have raised in next week's newsletter.

This week the pupils in Years 5 and 6 took part in The Primary Maths Challenge organised by Mr O'Brien. The Primary Maths Challenge is a maths competition set by The Mathematical Association that really does test the children's skills of maths! All children that took part received a certificate and some children were awarded bronze, silver and gold certificates. Gold certificates and medals were awarded to: Neeyara Limbu, Isobelle Maxwell, Leo Clarkin, Poppy Harris, Isabelle Janser, Callum Rynne & Jack Martin. Well done to everyone that took part!

On Thursday we held our 'Open Day' for pupils who are due to start school in September. We had over 35 families who came to visit – it was lovely to see so many new faces. Our new House Captains did a wonderful job of showing parents (and their children) around the school. The parents who came to visit were very complimentary of the school and its environment. If you know anyone who has a child due to start school in September who has not been to visit – let them know to ring the school office and make an appointment for a tour!

Miss Sotirou will be publishing a suggested 'Science Experiment of the week' each week this term for you to try at home. It will usually be found on the back page, however this week it is below!

Have a wonderful weekend

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Spectacular Science at Home

Using a plate, Whole Milk, Fairy Liquid and Food Colouring, can you make a colour symphony? Carefully pour the milk onto the plate so that it covers the bottom, add 6-8 drops of different coloured food colouring onto the milk in different spots. Next, add about 5 drops of liquid soap onto the drops of food colouring and watch the colour show!

- What liquid dish soap works the best?
- Does the shape of the plate make a difference?

Any fantastic photos of Science at home, please hand to Miss Sotiriou to be featured on our Science display!

Watch out for next week's Science at home!

Diary Dates – Term 2

24th - Dress Down Day in exchange for an item for the tombola
25th – Winter Fair
December
1st – Coping With Christmas workshop (details to follow)
9th Christmas Craft Morning – details to follow
10th - Breakfast with Santa (PTFA)]
12th – Y56 Landing Pad Assembly (2:15pm)
13th – Y34 Landing Pad Assembly (2:15pm)
14th – Y1/ 2 + Reception Nativity (9:30- Community Centre)
18th - Christmas Gift Day
19th – Christmas Lunch
4th January – Back to School

School Lunches!

Don't forget school meals cost £2:30 a day if your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6.
School meals will be served from week 2 next week.
The new menu is available on the school website
Go to About Us – Documents

The class with the best attendance this week was Niagara Falls with 99.29%.

Attendance / holidays

Please do remember that we are not in a position to be able to authorise holidays for children during school time. If there is a reason your son / daughter needs time out of school for an **exceptional circumstance** please complete the exceptional circumstance form that can be found in the school office or on the school website – About Us / Policy link / Attendance Policy.

Internet Safety Tips

Stay involved

Encourage them to use their tech devices in a communal area like the lounge or kitchen so you can keep an eye on how they're using the internet and also share in their enjoyment.

Why do we remember them?

By Great Barrier Reef Class

Why do we remember them?
For being kind and brave.
Why do we remember them?
For travelling and making saves.
Why do we remember them?
For fighting in a war.
Why do we remember them?
Because they are from our British shore.
Why do we remember them?
Because they no longer have a say.
Why do we remember them?
Because they are still fighting for us today.
Why do we remember them?
Because they are friends, family and more.
Why do we remember them?
For the feet, boats and planes that soar,
Why do we remember them?
For keeping this country free.
Why do we remember them?
Because they fought for you and me.

PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN IN KS2:

'How we teach maths in school and how you can support your child at home'

Many parents have said that they find it hard to support their children completing their maths homework as the new curriculum is so demanding. As a result Mr O'Brien is running a workshop entitled 'How we teach maths in school and how you can support your child at home'

This workshop is appropriate for parents of pupils in Years 3-6. Mr O'Brien will be running a workshop for KS1 parents in the New Year. **The workshop will be on Friday 24th November 1:40 – 2:45pm**

If you would like to attend this workshop please complete this slip and hand to Mr O'Brien /Miss Ward in the mornings.

Dear Mr O'Brien,

I will be coming to the maths workshop on Friday 24th November 1:40 – 2:45pm

Parent/Carer of _____ in _____ class.