

# NEWSLETTER – 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020



## Christmas!

As a school and a local community, we have had to cancel so many things this year and for me cancelling Christmas is just not an option! As a school we are looking into ways we can still celebrate Christmas but from a socially distanced, guidance following, fun way for everyone involved. At the moment we are looking into designing, making and then writing a year group Christmas card which every child will receive and also trying to create a video of a Christmas Extravaganza but for now that is all I can share with you! Can I just please ask though that you DO NOT send Christmas cards in for your



child's class this year! As always, thank you for your support in the Remembrance event we held this week and I'm looking forward to seeing all your odd socks on Monday! Mrs. Garratt

## E-Safety for Parents

We would like to let you know about a free, online training course to help you support your child whilst keeping them safe online <https://www.learnsafl.ac.uk/pages/home/online-courses/ict-courses-online/e-safety-for-parents>

This is a one off session for parents who want to keep their children safe in this increasingly digital world.

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Time: 10am - 12pm

## Online PE lessons

For anyone who would like to do some more physical activity after school, the Youth Sport Trust have sent this link to school for parents to access a virtual after school clubs that parents can do at home with children until 18th December



<https://www.youthsporttrust.org/AfterSchoolSportClub>



## Blue Peter!

Blue Peter have launched [Blue Peter on YouTube](#) at CBBC and they are uploading videos to it that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. If you think your child would be interested in this, subscribe

to <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter> - and don't forget to watch the live programme on CBBC at 5.30pm every week, or on BBC iPlayer. Thanks so much for your time, The Blue Peter Team!



## Golden Book - Well done to you all!

Since the last newsletter was published these children have received Golden Book certificates

	6 <sup>th</sup> November	13 <sup>th</sup> November
Nursery am	Jeevan S	Riley S
Nursery pm	Ira	Chace
RG	Ava-Rose J	Cloe
RD	Muhammad T	Elysia
IS	Isla J	Henry W
IM	Eesa H	Matthew C
2S	Inayah A	Isa
2P	Ajeet K	Kohen
3K	Yasmin H	Ethan-Kye
3G	Ashley D	Naziha I
4G	Joshua C	Caile-Mae
4W	Harrison H	Mahaan S
5S	Sam M	Caid W
5B	Blake	Faith
6C	Esme H	Amber A
6R	Libby J	Alfie T
PE	Ehli H	Oliver T-S
French	Subhan A	Riley B

## Remembrance Day

Thank you to everyone who supported school by sending their children to school in something **red** this week. As well as red clothing children had poppies in their hair and Mr. Hipkiss even grew a red moustache! I would like to mention *Fletcher H (Y2)* and *Edith H (YR)* who designed and made these beautiful poppy sculptures to share with their bubbles. Thank you everyone!



## Maternity Update

Over the next few weeks Mrs. Seville and Mrs. Ward will be leaving school to begin their maternity leave. I know you will join me in wishing them both well. We are also delighted to be able to tell you that 2S will be taught by Miss Hodgetts and 4W will be taught by Mrs. Acampora for the remainder of the academic year.



And the winning house point team this week is . .



Rowley  
218



Haden  
341



Clent  
272



Kinver  
204

## Nursery and Reception

### Nursery

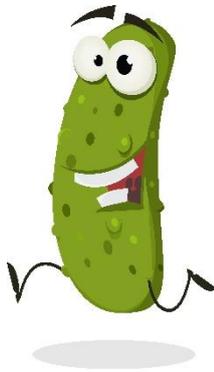


Last week in Nursery we made some firework inspired artwork. We read a story about staying safe on Bonfire Night and we worked together to decorate a big rocket with glitter. After, we explored lots of different materials to find out which one would look most like a firework; we decided on a kitchen scourer. This week we have begun learning our new Nursery Rhyme '5 Little Monkeys', please take a look at our Class Page on the School Website for the words to the rhymes we have learned.

### Reception

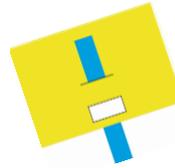
Reception have had lots of fun exploring our senses, we have done scavenger hunts, listening games and the children loved using their sense of smell exploring different smelling pots. Their favourite activity was the food tasting, although there were some unusual flavours such as gherkins and olives, we are so proud of the children as they were all willing to try everything that was put in front of them. Well done!

Reminder; please can reading books be brought back into schools every Friday.  
EYFS Phase Team



## Year 1 and 2

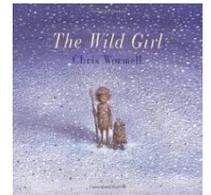
### Year 1



The children in Year 1 have enjoyed learning about sliders and levers in DT. They've become familiar with the mechanism and what they need to make one. The children have begun making their designs of a circus character that they will use on the slider and lever. They will eventually move their own circus character, using this technique, across a circus tent. In English, Year 1 have started to gain an understanding of what makes a text fiction or non-fiction. The children are working towards making their own circus, non-fiction information booklet.

### Year 2

Year 2 have arrived at the end of their learning about the Great Fire of London. In Art, they have sketched a 'city scape' of Pudding Lane and they've enjoyed adding colour to their city scape using paint. In English, the children have started a new book called 'The Wild Girl' by Chris Wormell. The story is set in an icy wilderness – this complements the 'ice' element of their Autumn topic. Reminder – Your child's spelling test will be on a Friday. Please can we also ensure reading books are back in school on a Friday too. Thanks again!  
Miss Pullinger – Y1/Y2 Phase Leader



## Year 3 and 4

### Year 3

Year 3 have been developing their knowledge and understanding on The Bronze Age. They have created fact-files to show different elements of this time period and are now looking forward to continuing their knowledge of The Bronze Age in both History and Art.



$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \times 4 = 4 \\ 2 \times 4 = 8 \\ 3 \times 4 = 12 \end{array}$$

They have also been working very hard on their times tables since returning from the half term break and are now gaining more confidence with their 4

times table. Keep practising these Year 3!

### Year 4

Year 4 have started reading a new text called 'Escape from Pompeii'. They have made comparisons between this text and a text that we read earlier in the term and are building up to writing their very own version of the story.



They have also been working very hard in Science where they have been learning about teeth. They have been able to label different teeth found in the adult mouth and have also explained their functions.

Mrs Ward – Y3/Y4 Phase Leader

## Year 5 and 6

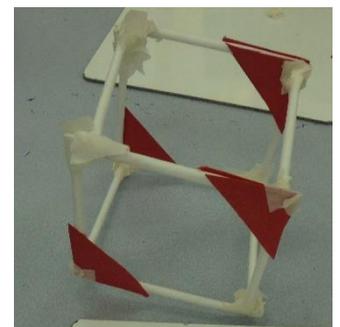
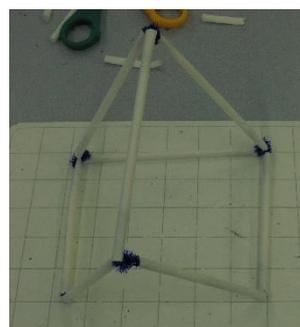
### Year 5

The children of Year 5 have begun to learn about the life of Anne Frank. This is not an easy topic in many ways but the children have been very sensible so far and are genuinely interested in the life of Ann. The children have also worked very hard in music. Using glockenspiels, we have been improvising and composing and wrote down our music using the staff.



### Year 6

The children have been greatly enjoying our studies of shelters. This week they considered the materials they might use to create their shelters and practised joining them to form different shapes.



Mr Roper – Y5/Y6 Phase Leader