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Newsletter 9

Dear Parents and Carers,

Saturday 14th November 2020

I hope that parents and carers found the parent evenings informative through this week in school. Thank you for your support in making the online meetings work effectively.

Looking forwards, if there is any way that we can further extend support to your child/children, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Your child's class teacher will happily make contact with you as required.

This week the whole school marked Remembrance Day with an outdoor assembly. It was lovely to have the opportunity to bring the whole school family together, spaced out safely on the playground, to develop children's understanding about the significance of this event.

Mental Health Support Team

Please find attached this months' copy of the MHST newsletter.

It includes resources to help parents support children during these times.

During our assembly, Daniel A, Abbie C and Tamlin C confidently read the poem in Flander's Fields and Mr Owens played the Last Post and Reveille to mark our two minutes silence in school. This was followed by two beautiful poems that were written by Imogen H and Zara J; both the girls read their own work fantastically well.

On Thursday, Nathan Allan commented to me on the children's excellent listening skills and politeness during the individual school photos. The children looked so smart in their uniforms and I hope that the photos are lovely for all to view online. Mr Allan will be returning later in the academic year to take class photos and we hope that on his next visit, he will be able to take sibling photographs as well.

Well done to all the children for their work to review, discuss and follow our **Golden Rules** in school through the week.

Over the next two weeks, we will be focussing on two of our Golden Rules:

- We are kind and helpful
- · We are gentle

These will help support our Anti-Bullying work in school, taking a core focus on kindness, helpfulness and providing support for others.

House Points Totals (to Friday 13th November)			
Sycamore	Willow	Oak	Chestnut
773	758	764	771

Next Week in School

Next week is **Anti-Bullying week** in school.

The theme this year is: 'United against Bullying'.



Anti-Bullying Week

Through the week all teachers will be working to help the children develop their understanding about:

- How we can care and help others around us
- How to keep ourselves safe
- What bullying is and
- How to report it.

On **Monday**, we have '**Odd Socks Day**' in school. Along with being fun, this is designed to help raise the profile of Anti-Bullying Week, encourage the children to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique and precious.



Attached with the newsletter is a very important document for parents and carers, which will help support the work surrounding anti-bullying we will be completing in school.

I would ask that all parents read through the document with your child/children, and work through some of the suggested activities at home. This will, I hope, help to raise the profile of this week, and help all fully understand what bullying is and how we can all provide the best support to the children, if they are experiencing difficulties with others around them.

On **Monday** next week, I am hosting virtually a meeting to review school provision with Nick Cornell, Headteacher of Brookside Primary School in Bicester; Mr Cornell is our Local Authority School Improvement Partner. I am very keen that through our meeting, Mr Cornell will be able to recognise all the developments that have been made in school through this term by the entire staff team, to help secure improvements in all aspects of learning by our wonderful children.

On **Tuesday**, **Year 2 children** are taking part in a special day, linked to their 'Memory Box' topic work. On this day, please can children in Year 2 come to school dressed in their own warm clothes (tracksuit bottoms, jumpers and coats would be ideal).

Golden Rules Stars in School - for the week commencing 2nd November

Very well done to the following children for following our core Golden Rules in school: William G, Jada-Louise H, Jamezy T, Sonny H, Elliot S, Jessica S and Seb C

Stars of the Week - awarded by teachers for the week commencing 2nd November

Sophie D for sharing ideas with the whole class.

Liliana P for great listening and super phonics/reading.

Oliver R for finding fact families successfully.

Alfred K for super writing about the Harvest Festival.

Finn B for making great progress with his writing.

Leo F for working extremely hard to deepen his Maths knowledge and understanding.

Silva B for working so hard on her Maths and progressing to the extra challenges with confidence.

Emiliana G for writing well-structured sentences, using different openers.

Henry L-M for wonderful work on prepositional phrases.

Evie T-D for amazing efforts when developing her understanding about column addition.

Molly D for inspirational poetry.

Ella R for striving to do her best in all her Maths work.

Tamlin C for phenomenal progress made in Maths.

Misty B for working very hard to improve the quality and quantity of her work.

Sawyer K for excellent work to explain about the causes of the First World War.

Tristan M for great confidence, when sharing key facts about Franz Ferdinand and for his geological understanding that he shared with me.

Daniel A, Abbie C and Tamlin C for their excellent reading of poetry at our Remembrance Assembly in school.

Imogen H and Zara J for excellent war poetry, written in class and shared at our Remembrance Assembly.

Miley C and Dakota H for good understanding of strategies to change and improve their writing. Jude L and Harriet H for excellent writing in English, when writing a diary entry.

Oliver G for fantastic Maths work in class, showing great independence when working on his additional number bonds.

Very well done also to:

Rosie A who recently took her first Tap Dance Exam at Susan Taylor Dance Academy. Rosie achieved a distinction mark, scoring 99 out of 100. Fantastic work Rosie!

Yours sincerely Phil Goldsworthy

