



Newsletter No. 4: 19th November 2021

Reminders - Monday 22nd November

Bags2School

Please remember to bring in your Donations for Bags2Schools. Please fill the donation bag with any unwanted clothing, shoes and more...and return it to school under the big oak tree, outside the playground on Monday 22nd November before 9 am.

Parent Consultations

Please note parent consultations begin next week. Please ensure you have made an appointment and activated your Google account. Please contact your class teacher if you have any queries.

Attendance

Covid-19

Whilst Covid cases continue to rise in the community, please be reassured cases in school are relatively low. We are not able to release information about individual cases and we must comply with the actions and strategies in line with the guidance from Public Health and the LCRC to contain the spread of the virus. All measures are designed to keep the children in school and staff safe.

We can all play our part on making sure the school stays open and suppress the spread of the virus. If your child is ill with Covid-like symptoms please keep them at home and book a PCR test. We will continue to send children home with these symptoms in order to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Class Attendance

Congratulations to Ash Class / Year 2 who have achieved the highest level of attendance this week at 99.26%. (Reminder: the winning class for the term will enjoy a celebration at the end of term). Well done also to Redwood class with 96% and above attendance.

Although our overall attendance has fallen to 95.56% we are pleased to announce 69 children have 100% attendance so far! This is great news considering we are in the Autumn Term and viruses are exceptional virulent at this time.

There is a strong link between attendance and a child's well-being, development and academic success and therefore we wish to reinforce these levels by ensuring the highest possible level of attendance, punctuality and involvement in school.

Remember ~ Every School Day Matters

Worship

In worship this week we have been thinking about our School Vision and Values. We talked about what it means to be 'deeply rooted' and how we can ensure that we have support in our lives. Mrs Rodenas also talked to the children about what it means to 'grow, flourish and bear much fruit'. She explained that this does not mean growing apples from our arms, but the fruits of our labours and how we interact with one another on a daily basis. We linked this to 'One Kind Word' and our school values of Compassion, Forgiveness, Koinonia and Friendship.

We remembered those soldiers who died for us in the First and Second World Wars and the fruits of their labours being freedom and peace for us in this country. We looked at the Bible passage from John 15:13 'Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.' We thought about how God sent his Son, Jesus, to die for us and how we need to be rooted in our Christian values, in order to grow, flourish and bear much fruit.

Remembrance Day

Holy Trinity School took part in the annual memorial service held on 14th November in Northwood to honour those who have lost their lives in active service since the First World War. It was an opportunity to remember the service and sacrifice of all those that have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life.

Our house captains laid a wreath on behalf of the school community and presented a book of poetry written by Redwood Class. The event also marked the 10th Anniversary of the passing of a former Holy Trinity pupil, Thomas Lake.



Safeguarding and Health and Safety

The National Sleep Helpline: 03303 530 541

The National Sleep Helpline helps anyone with sleep issues including adults, parents and young people. The helpline is available from 7 pm and 9 pm, Sunday to Thursday on 03303 530 541.

Poor sleep can affect anyone and it can be a major stress for parents whose own sleep can be impaired by their children's difficulties getting to sleep, staying asleep or staying in their own bed, leading to greater stress.

Having a sleep issue is surprisingly common. At any given time this affects up to 40% of adults and 50% of children (this rises to 80% with a SEND diagnosis). These problems are typically persistent and do not resolve themselves without intervention.

Families often don't know where to seek help and yet issues can often be nipped in the bud with basic and accessible interventions.

The National Sleep Helpline have created a set of leaflets and posters which you can download here:

http://email.kjbm.safeguardingschools.co.uk/national_sleep_posters

Anti-Bullying Week

Thank you to all those who wore odd socks on Monday to support everyone being unique!

In addition, thank you to those KS2 families who contributed to our "Bigger Picture" drama workshop. The children had a wonderful time and highlighted the importance of 'one kind word' and its meaning. If you have not already had an opportunity to contribute, please log on to your KS2 child/ren's account(s) to make a donation by Monday 22nd November. All contributions are gratefully received and assist with the school being able to provide drama production style workshops in future.

Please look out for photographs from the events in next week's newsletter.

If you are concerned about the safety of any children, please share any concerns with our designated safeguarding leads (Mrs Roscoe and Mrs Rodenas) or in their absence our deputy safeguarding leads (Mrs Morgan and Mr Brown).

PTFA

PTFA News

Thank you for all your support for the cake sale, for those who baked, donated, purchased and those behind the scenes. With your help we raised a fantastic £228. A further £111.63 was raised at our recent preloved uniform sale and the film night and dress down day raised £797.84.



Money raised goes towards providing additional resources for our children.

With thanks

The PTFA



Next PTFA Initiative



PTFA Christmas Jumper Sale - Friday 26th November at 3.15 pm



If you would like to donate any Christmas Jumpers, T-shirts, Dresses or Pyjamas with a Christmas theme, please leave them in the Collection Box located in the school foyer by 9 am on Friday 26th November.

Thank you in advance for all your donations!

Families

Please click on the link to access the November/December issue of [Families Magazine](#) for sharing with your families members.

Forthcoming dates:

Monday 22 nd November	Bags2School collection day – Please return donations by 9 am
Monday 22 nd November	PTFA Meeting held in the School Hall at 14:00
Monday 22 nd November	Parent Consultations – Woodlands – Year 5 (15:40 – 18:00)
Tuesday 23 rd November	Parent Consultations – All Year Groups (15:40 – 20:00)
Wednesday 24 th November	Parent Consultations – Year 6 (15:40 – 18:00)
Friday 26 th November	PTFA Christmas Jumper Sale (15:15 in the playground)
Wednesday 1 st December	Christmas Jumper/Activity Day
Wednesday 1 st December	PTFA Toy Sale at the top end of the playground (more details to follow)
Friday 3 rd December	Non-Uniform Day: #UniteTheUniforms for the @999Cenotaph (details to follow)
w/c 6 th December	EY/KS1 Nativity (exact dates/times to be confirmed)
Tuesday 7 th December	Ash Class Visit to Wenzel’s Bakery
Tuesday 14 th December	School Christmas Lunch
Friday 17 th December	Christmas Church Service
	Term ends at 13:15 (After School Club finishes at 16:00)
Wednesday 5 th January 2022	Spring (Epiphany) Term begins for pupils

Further dates/information will continue to be added throughout the academic year.



Star Learner of the Week



Congratulations to:

Maja	~	Woodlands
Jonathan	~	Oak Class
Funmito	~	Ash Class
Isabelle	~	Willow Class
Aydn	~	Cedar Class
Sophia	~	Sycamore Class
Ben	~	Redwood Class