

Newsletter

November 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a good half term week and that those of you who were ill are recovering well. By the end of the week before half term, we only had very few children and no staff in Squirrels class. I would like to thank all our amazing staff for being incredibly flexible and helping out whenever they can, covering each other, doing extra lunch duties etc etc. I would particularly like to thank Mrs McErlean, for venturing into Squirrels class and teaching the remaining children!

Best Wishes
Mrs L Partridge

COVID UPDATE.

We now have CO2 monitors in all of our classrooms and I am very pleased to report that CO2 levels remain reassuringly low, as we continue to have windows and doors open all day. The level rises during assembly in the hall, but again, the level remains consistently within the safety zone. The monitors are helping us to be sure that we are doing all we can to limit the transmission of COVID. This is something that we need to bear in mind when planning how parents can see Christmas Performances (see below) as the more people we have in the hall, the higher the levels.

Please remember to test your child if anybody in the family has symptoms. We are still hoping that the half term week weakened the transmission cycle, but we continue to take extra measures to mitigate the risk of spread within school. Please continue to support us with this by 'doing the right thing'. If unsure, please call the office for advice. Thank you.

Christmas Performances

We are planning to have Christmas performances this year, for all year groups. The children enjoy rehearsing and performing, and this is an important and valuable part of our formal curriculum (music, drama) as well as our informal teaching (working together, building confidence, performing etc)

I would like to reassure you that we will be sharing all our performances with you, but we do not yet know how this will look, due to the ever-changing COVID situation.

We may share with you in person as a live audience, virtually, or with photos, depending on which we deem to be the most appropriate at the time. We will constantly monitor the situation accordingly.

Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

Dates for your diary

Weds 10th November @7pm

PTA meeting, Infant Hall

Thurs 18th November

Titanic Day (Year 2)

Friday 19th November

Children in Need (pyjamas please!)

Friday 26th November

Non-uniform day, please bring in a festive chocolate donation for our Chocolate Tombola

Thursday 2nd December

Secret Shopping Day (details to follow)

Friday 10th December

Chocolate Tombola and PTA Christmas Raffle Draw (details to follow)

PARKING SAFETY

As you all know, parking is a constant worry to us all and our neighbours.

To keep all of our children safe, please

- Respect our neighbours
- Walk whenever you can
- Do NOT park on the pavement
- Do NOT stop across our entrance/gates
- Leave home a bit earlier and park **away** from school and walk the last part of your journey (library, farm shop etc)

As the weather gets colder, please make sure that your children have coats every day for play and lunchtimes. Also, the classrooms are colder than usual, so please make sure that children wear layers, if they feel the cold.

ROTARY SHOE BOX APPEAL REMINDER

Thank you so much for all the beautiful boxes that we have received so far. PLEASE BRING IN ANY REMAINING SHOE BOXES BY MONDAY 8TH NOVEMBER, AS THEY WILL BE COLLECTED BY ROTARY VOLUNTEERS, READY TO SEND OFF.
Thank you

Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be for sale at school from tomorrow;

5th November.

If you would like your child to buy one, please send money in a named envelope to hand to the class teacher, or come to the office before school.

Thank you for supporting The Royal British Legion.



FRIDAY
19th NOVEMBER
CHILDREN IN NEED



Please come to school in your pyjamas!
Donations gratefully