
November 6th 2020 Newsletter

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We have continued to enjoy our beautiful school grounds as the trees take on their autumn colours. Mrs. Thomas's Tuesday morning running club is going from strength to strength and children in all classes are developing stamina as they tackle circuits of the field as a warm up to PE lessons. Pupils in Rhino Class have benefitted hugely from Mrs. Mottram's enthusiasm for hockey; and orienteering and netball have also been very popular. Children have had lots of opportunities for outdoor learning and, after consulting Y6 pupils, we will be ordering tyres, milk crates, crawl-throughs and tarpaulin to extend the range of 'loose materials' we offer for creative, active playtimes.

We're working hard to provide virtual alternatives to open days and tours for prospective parents and we're seeing lots of interest for places in Reception 2021. In addition, it looks likely that we'll be welcoming two new families moving into the area – which will mean new pupils in Rhino Class and Panda Class.

As part of our Remembrance activities, all pupils took part in a minute silence during collective worship today and made craft poppies to bring home. We are very grateful to CHIPP for funding these.

Next week, we are looking forward to be joining in with this year's fun and fund raising for Children in Need. Children (and parents) are encouraged to donate at drop-off on Friday 13th November. Children may wear their own choice active wear and, from 9:05 - 9:25, we'll be joining in with Joe Wicks for the final part of his 24-hour workout challenge! Then, at 1:00, we'll watch the Annual Duck Race live. To add to the fun, all children and staff will be allocated ducks by pulling names out of a hat so we'll be following the event with great interest to see which one wins!

Warm regards,
Gillian Seymour



Thought for the Day



Pictures of the Week

Marley and His little sister collected and painted pebbles over the half term break for Remembrance Day. Marley plans to place some of these around the village and some at the local memorials. What a fabulous idea Marley, well done! 😊



More Information



Poppy Appeal

The Legion's work is more vital than ever as we support people from all generations who have new hardships as a result of Covid-19. Traditional poppies and poppy stationery will be available from classrooms until Wednesday 11th November. As we do not have the usual poppy tray and donations box, please consider donating to the 2020 Poppy appeal in the following ways:

Website	rbl.org.uk/poppyappeal
Phone	0845 845 1945
Text	
£2 text POPPY2 to 70545*	*Texts cost £2, 5, or £10 plus your standard network rate message (typically 97% of the donation amount goes to the Royal British Legion).
£5 text POPPY5 to 70545*	
£10 text POPPY10 to 70545*	

BBC Children in Need – Friday 13th November

To raise money for this worthy cause, children are invited to make a donation to wear their own choice activewear to school on Friday 13th November. During the day we'll be joining in with Joe Wicks for the final part of his 24-hour workout challenge and later we'll watch the Annual Duck Race <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/fundraising/the-annual-duck-race-sweepstake-2020/> All children and staff will be allocated ducks by pulling names out of a hat so we'll be following the event with great interest to see which one wins! We are all very excited to be joining in with this year's fun and fund raising for Children in Need and we'd love your support!



Xmas4schools™ Don't miss the chance to have your child's artwork turned into beautiful Christmas cards, poster calendars, mugs or gift labels. Children must present their artwork on the back of the order form provided yesterday and all forms must be returned to school, together with payment, by **Friday 13th November**. Unfortunately we are unable to accept late orders. Thank you to CH.I.P.P for administering this exciting opportunity to turn your child's creation into a range of professionally printed products while raising money for the school. What's not to like?

Remembrance Sunday Church Services – 8th November 2020

Please see this coming Remembrance Sunday service choices below. For Zoom Meeting IDs and Passwords please refer to <http://langtreechurches.org/sunday-services/>

10am Remembrance Worship with Revd John. The fallen of Ipsden and North Stoke are honoured.
9:45am Remembrance Worship with Revd Linda. The fallen of Woodcote are honoured.
10:55am Remembrance Worship with Revd Kevin. The fallen of Checkendon and Stoke Row are honoured.

Dates for your Diary

13 th November	Children in Need (non-uniform day)
13 th November	Deadline for artwork and payment – Christmas cards - Xmas4schools
15 th November	Deadline for returning flu consent forms
20 th November	Flu Immunisations

And Finally....

Q: Did you hear about the magic tractor?
A: It turned into a field!



Owlet Class have been learning about

Bonfire Night and how it is celebrated. They made some fantastic glittery firework pictures and described the noises that fireworks make!



Owl Class made

poppies after learning about Remembrance Day.



Panda Class have also

created beautiful poppies and talked about the reason why the flower is significant as we remember the people who gave their lives in the first and second world wars.



Rhino Class had two fantastic workshops with local author, Sue Palmer.

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