

November 20th 2020 Newsletter

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Anti-bullying Week 2020 has been a big focus this week and children in all classes have been learning about what bullying is (and what it isn't) and what we can all do to ensure there is no bullying in our school. They learned about the role of bystanders and about what action to take if they see bullying behaviours going on. As part of the work we did during Anti-bullying Week 2018, we adopted a school Anti-bullying Pathway of Support. This includes a shared definition of bullying, **Bullying is when an individual or a group of people with more power repeatedly and intentionally causes harm to another**, and a clear pathway of actions for pupils

1. What's happened? I am being bullied or I have seen or heard that someone else is being bullied.
2. What should I do? Tell an adult in school. Tell an adult at home.
3. What will happen next? Adults will listen to you and find out what has been happening. They will work with you and the bullies to sort things out. They will speak with your parents and the parents of the bullies.

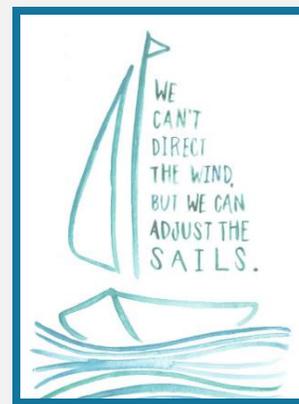
We are committed to a proactive approach to ensuring that any reports of bullying are taken seriously and investigated, and that action is taken to make sure that all pupils feel safe in school. We've also provided booklets for parents to support at home. Our Anti-bullying Policy is on the website and, as always, we welcome feedback from parents and children about how this is working.

We are very excited to announce the premiere of our **new school video!** Thanks to the expertise and hard work of Clare Wortley and her husband behind the scenes and Vicki Thomas on camera, we now have a wonderful promotional video to showcase the school during the period when we are unable to show round prospective parents. You can see it here <https://youtu.be/HgNizAFvoKw>

Warm regards,
Gillian Seymour



Thought for the Day



Pictures of the Week

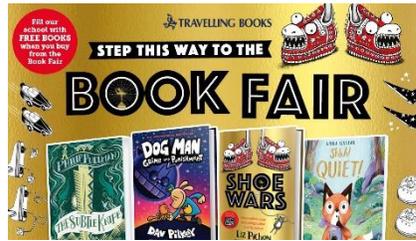
Deanna, Persie and Trey celebrating Children in Need.



More fabulous photos overleaf ©

More Information

Book Fair Our annual book fair will be taking place between **30th November** and **2nd December** during the school day. Unlike previous years, we are unable to welcome parents to the book fair due to Covid-19 and the associated government guidelines.



Instructions on how to order books has been sent in a separate email to parents today. Between 30th November and 2nd December each class will divide into small groups and have an opportunity to look at the books in their age range / trolley. Your child may bring home a 'wish list' of 1-2 books that they would love to own which you can add to your order form should you want to.

Tea Towels

CHiPP is currently organising the transformation of all the children's self-portraits into unique tea towels. To the delight of the teachers, their faces will also be captured on this practical item for you in your home, as a gift or just for posterity. Price is only £4.50 each or 3 for £12.00. To gauge the amount we need to order, could you please contact us with your preliminary numbers (Kate Pullan: kate.pullan@yahoo.co.uk or Caroline Herbert: caroline.moorhouse1@btinternet.com). Thank you.



World Children Day – 20th November 2020

World Children's Day was first established in 1954 as Universal Children's Day and is celebrated on 20 November each year to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children's welfare. November 20th is an important date as it is the date in 1959 when the UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration of the Rights of the Child. It is also the date in 1989 when the UN General Assembly adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child. World Children's Day offers each of us an inspirational entry-point to advocate, promote and celebrate children's rights, translating into dialogues and actions that will build a better world for children.

Worship for Sunday 22nd November 2020

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

10am A Eucharist with Revd John. We remember the death of Christ with bread and wine.
10am Morning Praise with Revd Linda. Begin the day with Praise, and a shared Agape (informal communion).
11am Holy Communion with Revd Kevin . A service for the last Sunday before Advent.
11am Morning Service with Revd James 11am. Fellowship and prayer at the start of a new week. Please <u>email James</u> to receive your invitation.

Dates for your Diary

w/c 30th November	Book Fair (children only – more details to follow)
18th December	End of Term - 2pm finish

And Finally....

Q: How do you throw a party in space?

A: You planet.



Social News Feeds: <https://twitter.com/CheckendonSch>
<https://www.instagram.com/checkendonprimarieschool/>

Children in **Owlet Class** have



continued to be **space explorers!** They have designed, built and launched

their own rockets using recycling, explored a different planet surface in the sand pit and programmed robots.



This week **Owl Class** pupils have been writing a food diary for

a hedgehog. There were slimy slugs, crunchy snails and meaty mice on the menu! The Year 1 children named and sorted 3D and 2D shapes.

During Anti-Bullying Week,

Panda Class

pupils have taken time to talk about how they can all work



together to help if they spot someone being bullied, and our Bible story in worship reminded us of the value of repentance. They also made **Hanukkah** in RE to celebrate the Jewish Festival of Light.

Children in **Rhino Class**

learnt about the phases of the moon and made



replica models using paper plates and Oreo biscuits! They finished their first learning project: **What is out there?** and can explain how our moon moves and how day and night occur.