



Mountfield News

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Diary- November/ December 2018

Wednesday 28th Nov	9:05am: Year 1 and 2 reading workshop for parents Forest School- AM: Year 4, PM: Year 3- Parents welcome
Thursday 29th Nov	Road safety sessions Nursery to Year 2
Friday 30th Nov	Non uniform day for Fair donations KS1: chocolate or sweets please KS2: Bottles please
Tuesday 4th Dec	1:30pm: Year 1 church visit
Wednesday 5th Dec	2-3pm: Year 3 project outcome- parents welcome
Thursday 6th Dec	1:30pm Christmas Fair- All welcome
Friday 7th Dec	9:15am: Year 2 project outcome- parents welcome Am: Year 4 visit Hindu temple
Monday 10th Dec	Am: Year 1 project outcome- Parents welcome
Tuesday 11th Dec	3:30-5:30pm Parents Evening (appointments to follow)
Wednesday 12th Dec	9:15am: Nursery and Reception end of project outcome- parents welcome 12:30-4pm: Year 4 multi-skills festival at Walker Dome 3:30-5:30pm Parents Evening (appointments to follow)
Thursday 13th Dec	Christmas lunch
Friday 14th Dec	Christmas jumper day Am: Nursery party Pm: Reception party
Tuesday 18th Dec	9:30am: Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 Nativity- Parents welcome
Wednesday 19th Dec	930: Key stage 2 performance- Parents welcome 2pm: Carol service at Church of Ascension- Parents welcome
Thursday 20th Dec	Christmas Fun day

Monday 7th January

SCHOOL RESUMES

Kenton Christmas Tree Festival



We will be decorating a tree with angels as part of the Church of the Ascension's Christmas Tree festival. Every child will be making an angel in school and the best five from each class will be used to decorate our tree at the church. The rest of the angels will be used to decorate school in the run up to Christmas. The Christmas Tree Festival will begin with the switching on of all the tree lights on **Friday 7th December at 6.30pm** which will include the lighting of a community tree placed outside the church building. There will be carol singing and refreshments available - including mince pies and mulled wine! The church will also be open on **Saturday 8th 10am-4pm** and **Sunday 9th 11am-2pm** for anyone to come along and see the trees. During these times there will also be refreshments available, and a range of craft activities on the Saturday.

Children in Need

Yet again our children and parents have risen to the challenge of supporting good causes. For Children in Need we asked for £1 donation for not wearing uniform. That should have raised about £200 if everyone took part but instead we raised a MASSIVE **£712.50** due to the money collected from the sponsored fun run. Several children collected nearly £100 on their own! What a huge effort for a brilliant cause-



WELL DONE EVERYONE AND THANK YOU FROM PUDSEY BEAR!

Our school attendance is improving again this year and we have some very persistent children who don't want to miss even one day!
Our attendance so far this half term is 96.5%
Nursery: 83.5% (oh dear!)
Reception: 91.6% (oh dear!)
Year 1: 99% (excellent!)
Year 2: 98% (excellent!)
Year 3: 97% (excellent!)
Year 4: 96.4% (pretty good!)
Year 5: 97% (excellent!)
Year 6: 99% (excellent!)
Looks like we could win some Trust trophies this half term!



Nursery

As part of our topic 'What makes me one in a million?', we have been learning about how we grow and change. We read the story 'Planting a Rainbow'. We talked about the rainbow garden that had been planted in the Summer. We found out that some of the plants and flowers were dying off because of the cooler weather. We dug some of them out and investigated them. We enjoyed learning about different parts of a plant and how to look after plants. We replanted the flowers into pots and looked after them a little while longer. We then planted a new rainbow of flowers that would survive the winter. We are now watering them everyday so they can grow. Have a look outside to see if you can see any of the flower buds!



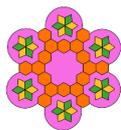
Reception

Reception have been learning all about Remembrance Day. We found out about the meaning of all the different colours of poppies. We made our own poppies using apples! We put some of the poppies on sticks and made our own remembrance garden at the front of school. We had a minutes silence to think about all of the



Year 1

As part of our Autumn project 'Where might a spark take us?', Class One have been looking at how sparks light up in celebration. This week, we have been looking at how light is celebrated in the faith of Hinduism through the Festival of Diwali. We looked at why Diwali is an important holiday in India and how it is celebrated in the home by making our own Rangoli patterns.



Year 2



There was a locked treasure chest in our classroom this week and no one knew why it was there or where it had come from.



We then received an envelope with money challenges inside and 4 sets of keys. We had to answer our questions correctly in order to find the correct key to open the chest.



Once we solved the challenges, Miss Dodds opened the chest and inside were lots of chocolate coins!

Year 3

As part of our Autumn project 'What did History leave behind?' year 3 have been looking at the artwork from the Pitmen Painters. We have been experimenting with oil pastels and watercolour paints and produced some fantastic work!



Year 4

Year 4 have been celebrating the Hindu Festival of Diwali as part of their work in Religious Education.

We have learned all about the different Diwali traditions and its similarities with other religious festivals. As part of our festivities, Kirtida, from the ISKON Hindu Temple in Newcastle, visited our class to retell the Diwali story of Rama and Sita, and let us dress up as characters from this famous tale.



Year 5

As well as playing sport, year 5 is also busy training hard to become the next generation of Sports Leaders! This week they have led their own superb games sessions putting into practice their new leadership skills. We are so proud of them!



Year 6

This week, Super Six went to Newcastle University to get an insight into what life is like in further education. We took part in a range of different workshops, working with students and staff of the university. We then completed a safari, exploring the campus and after, we graduated! The world is our oyster!

