

'Jesus said, 'Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.'
Matthew 11

What's in store for the children next week?

Reception will be learning about Chinese festivals and starting to learn their lines for our Nativity.
Year 1 will be making their own 'marvellous medicines' and potions. What will happen to them?
Year 2 will be travelling back in time and writing Newspaper reports about the Great Fire of London.
Year 3 will be using all their writing skills to compose formal letters.
Year 4 will be understanding the power of the Roman Army through 3D art and experimenting with clay to make facial expressions.
Year 5 will be exploring North American capital cities.
Year 6 will be finishing and performing their incredible wartime poetry – they are amazing!
Congratulations to our new School Councillors – more pictures and news from them next week.

Dates for this term

17th November – CHILDREN IN NEED. Come to school dressed as a coloured pencil!!

22nd November – E-Safety Workshop at 4pm

29th November – Immunisation (nasal flu) for Reception, Yr 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Thursday 30th November – Non-uniform Day – bring some chocolate for the Fayre!!

Friday 1st December – 3.15 – 4.45 CHRISTMAS FAYRE.

2nd December – Saltash Lantern Parade.

4th – 8th December – Advent Prayer Spaces

8th December – Christmas Dinner.

13th & 14th December – Christmas Productions

18th December – KS2 Christmas Party 19th

December – KS1 Christmas Party 1 – 3pm

19th December – Christingle Service at St Stephens for all KS2 children.

Further information for each event will follow.

20th December - END OF TERM

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY 2018 – BACK TO SCHOOL

5th January – School Disco night.

FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY – PARENT CONSULTATION DAY TO DISCUSS YOUR CHILD'S ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS.

12-16th February – HALF TERM.

29th March – END OF SPRING TERM.

16th April – SUMMER TERM BEGINS.

25th May – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET

28TH MAY – 1ST JUNE – HALF TERM

4TH June – BACK TO SCHOOL

9 – 13TH July – HEATREE RESIDENTIAL, YEAR 5

20TH July – BREAK UP FOR SUMMER

Christmas Fayre Preparations

Our second Christmas wrapping workshop is being held next week, 17th November, starting at 1.15pm in the Education Centre. Please do come along and join us, even if you are only able to make an hour or so. Many hands make light work!

At the Christmas Fayre we will be holding a **Christmas Great BC Bake-off Competition**. There will be 3 categories: **Reception and KS1**; **Yr3 and 4** and finally **Yr5 and 6**. The children can bring their entries into school on 1st December and they will be judged, by Mr Hill during the day and displayed in the hall.

We will have a number of stalls at the Fayre and we need your help! There will be a **non-uniform day on Thursday 30th November** and we ask that the children bring in any chocolate items for the Chocolate Tombola.

If you have any possible raffle donations those will be gratefully received during the week and any **cakes** for the cake stall or **mince pies** for the refreshments on the Friday.

We are delighted that Father Christmas will be joining us at the Fayre and the children will have a chance to meet him.

Year 3 designed and made the most delicious pizzas this week. They filled the school with wonderful aromas and all of them looked really healthy and tempting! Well done everyone.



E-safety update for your family.

Do you know how to keep your child safe on the Internet? Do you know enough about the 'Apps' that they use and the parental settings that you need to have in place to protect the family? Do your children access or even have a YouTube channel or use Facebook, Whats App or Instagram? Every week we hear on the news of children and adults falling prey to misuse of the Internet and the devastating consequences this has. We want all parents to know how to monitor their child's use of the Internet and how to help them stay safe. We are holding an E-Safety Parent Update on **Wednesday 22nd November starting at 4pm.** The meeting should last no more than an hour. This will be led by an external speaker, Jane McFall, who is an expert in this field. We do encourage as many parents as possible to join us so you are full informed. Please contact Mrs Dunbar to let us know if you are joining us. We will be able to provide supervised activities for school age children in order to enable parents to attend. We do urge you to join us. Thank you.



Next Friday is **Children in Need** and we are inviting the children to come to school dressed as a colouring pencil!!! The children can come to school dressed in any single colour: red, blue, green, purple, orange – you choose! We are inviting the children to then make a donation which we will send to Children in Need. We are looking forward to seeing just how colourful the school can be on the day.



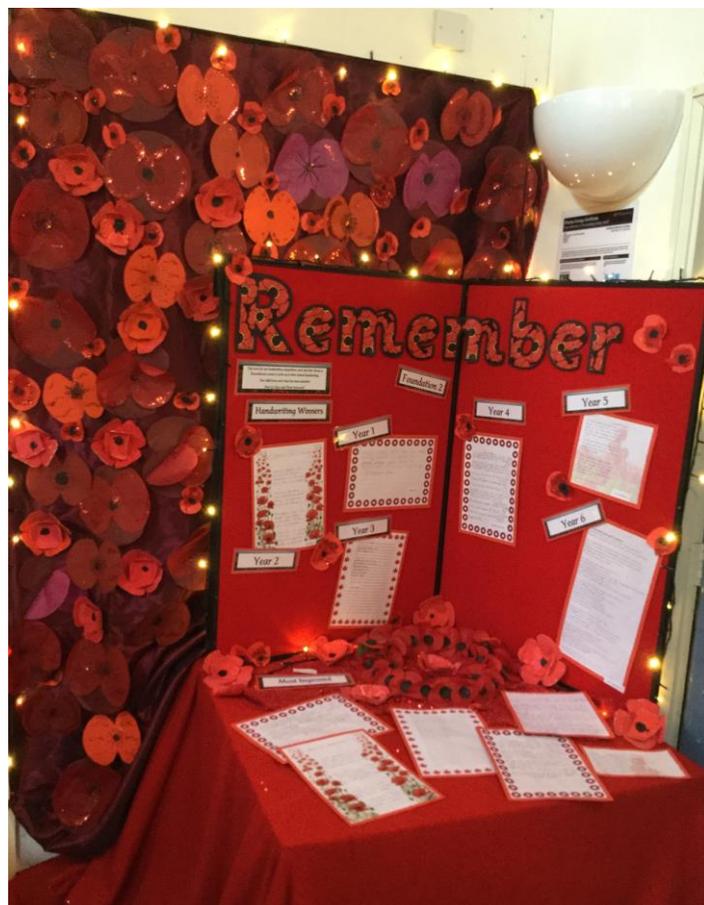
The winners for handwriting this term were Florence O, Isaac H, Isla S, Esme, Charlie, Erin and Katie-Mai.

Miss Edlin and Mr George took our Military Kids Club to see the Poppy display on The Hoe this week.



Year One – Phonics Information Session for Parents.

If any **Year 1** parents would like the chance to find out more about phonics and the phonics screening which takes place next summer there will be a meeting on **November 30th starting at 3.30pm.** Please do come along and find out how you can help your child at home and what is involved.



Across the school the children have been thinking about Remembrance Day. Every child made a poppy which has been placed in a display which includes our 'best' and 'most improved' hand-writers, who used Remembrance poems to show us their skills. Please do come and look at the display in the front entrance. It is stunning.

