



## Newsletter 8

Monday, 26th November 2018

### Message from the Head



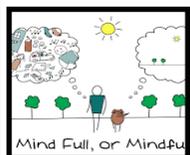
Over the course of the last two weeks, we have been treated to Sharing Assemblies from EYFS and Y5/6. These Assemblies are a lovely time when the children share and celebrate their learning with the school and families. While we appreciate that not all parents are in a position to be able to join us, it is great to see the number of family members that are able to come to such occasions. EYFS shared a wide range of their learning with us; telling us about the milk shakes they had made, explaining where honey comes from and showing us the hedgehog pictures made from Autumn leaves and sticks. After they had shown us their bonfire pictures, they reminded us of how to keep safe when holding sparklers.

It was great to be able to then hear from our older children. Y5/6 confidently shared a fabulous range of cross curricular work; including a demonstration of the solar system, information about Greek God, collages of Forest School Mythical creatures and we heard letters they wrote expressing concern about strange new pupils! The children finished their Assembly by leading us all in a Mindfulness activity which they had been introduced to during their course.

There are a number of dates and deadlines included in this Newsletter. Please note that weekly key events are posted on the front page of the website and the calendar (located under the Calendar tag) shows the termly over view of dates.

#### MINDFULNESS

Our KS2 children have now successfully completed their Mindfulness course. This was celebrated in a special Assembly on Friday when all everyone was awarded with a certificate. It was very interesting to



hear the way in which the children felt the techniques and strategies are helping them.

*'It helps me to stop worrying about the little things'.*

*'It helps me to calm down'.*

*'We use our breathe to help us because it is always with us'.*

#### COMMUNICATION

In September, the school moved to a new IT provider called ConEd. In addition to this, we have introduced the new text messaging service. As our IT communication is now reliable and we are now able to safely email again, we will be reducing the number of paper copies of letters which come home. We will only be sending home one copy per family. This will be with the oldest child. Please ensure that all your contact details are kept up-to-date.



#### Monthly Value:

##### COURAGE

This week, Abigail was nominated for demonstrating courage when she had to say goodbye to her much loved dog.

##### IALAC

Last week, we heard about the qualities and gifts that make Evan and Mylo likable and capable.

##### 10 HOUSE POINTS

##### AWARD

Congratulation to Holly, Dexter, Luke, Harry B, Layla and Josh for achieving their 10 House



Point certificates.

Y3/4 Prayer for others:

Please be with all the people who were in the fire in Paradise in California. Please give them courage and take care of them and give them everything they need so that they can build their lives again.

### ANTI-BULLYING

The week beginning Novemebr,12th, was Anti Bullying week and all classes focussed on this area in their PSHE sessions. An important variety of discussions and age appropriate work took place. Our youngest children reflected on how important it is to be kind and they shared their experiences of giving and receiving kindness. Y1/2 considered what qualities they would like in a friend and they used these to write a 'Recipe for a Friend'.

Yr 3 and 4 discussed a video which focussed on the importance of accepting everyone for who they are. Year 5/6 .....



### POPPY APPEAL

We received a thank you card from the Royal British Legion, thanking us for our school's contribution to the Poppy Appeal. We donated a total of £82.53 which is a fabulous amount given for our school.

### DIARY DATES

#### **Tuesday, 27th November**

- 9:00 Sharing Assembly Y3/4

#### **Wednesday, 28th November**

- Y2—Target Games at Ashlyns School

#### **Thursday, 29th November**

- Forest School WOW Day Y5/6 + Y3/4
- 2:00—4:00 Pre-booked consultations sessions with Family Support Worker (Mrs Mc Govern)

#### **Friday, 30th November**

- Forest School WOW Day - EYFS + Y1/2
- FOGGS Film Night

#### **Monday, 3rd December**

- FOGGS' Xmas jumper Day (bottle / hamper contribution)

#### **Thursday, 6th December**

- Afternoon Tea for past pupils (Y7—Y9)

#### **Wednesday, 12th December**

- 9:15 EYFS Nativity Service
- 2:00 Carol service
- 6:30 Carol Service

#### **Friday, 14th December**

- 3:30 - 5:00 FOGGS Xmas Fair

#### **Tuesday, 18th December**

- Christmas lunch

#### **Wednesday, 19th December**

- Pantomime trip

#### **Thursday, 20th December**

- 2:00 Christingle Service

#### **Friday, 21st December**

- 1:30 Break up for Christmas

Return to school .....

### REMINDERS:

Please return the following by:

#### **School photos:**

Friday, 30th November

#### **Xmas lunch:**

Friday, 30th November

#### **Panto school lunch:**

Wed. 28th November



Y3/4 Prayer of Courage :

Dear God, Help us to have the courage to do the things we should even if we don't want to or don't feel like it.