

SCHOOL NEWS

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Remembrance Day

Last Sunday, Our Head Boy and Girl, attended the annual Remembrance Day memorial at Heald Green Cenotaph. The behaviour of both of the children was exemplary. It was lovely to see so many faces from our community at the memorial coming together to remember all the

fallen soldiers that gave their lives for us. Thank you to Molly and Jaxon for representing the school so well.



Christmas Jumper Sale

In case you missed it on Class Dojo this week, we will be holding a Pre-Loved Christmas Jumper sale after school next Friday (22nd November.) This is a great opportunity for families to pick up a Christmas Jumper at a fraction of the retail price in shops. On the 13th December, we will all be wearing our Christmas Jumpers in school for Christmas Dinner Day. In order to run the sale, we are asking families to bring in any old Christmas Jumpers that may not fit your child/children anymore, please can these be dropped off in the school office. If you are

unable to attend the sale and need support with this please contact school.



Online Safety Workshop

Next Thursday, straight after school at 3:30pm, Tanya Cross from the Local Authority will be coming into school to deliver an online safety workshop for parents. This workshop is invaluable to support parents with helping their children navigate the online world safely. We have held the meeting for the past few years and many parents have found it very useful and opened their eyes to the dangers that are faced by our young people online. Unfortunately, last year, we only had one parent attend so therefore I would encourage more parents to attend this year if you can. Modern technology is ever changing so it is vital to keep up to date with the latest developments and apps that are being created. Tanya will also discuss ways in which you can monitor any online activity and support your children if something is concerning them online. In school, we deliver online safety lessons in each year group so the consistent message from home as well will support this learning.



Children In Need/Crazy Hair Day

Today has been a hive of activity at school with the children coming into school with both crazy hair and spots to fundraise for our Christmas Fair and support Children In Need.

Thank you to everyone who brought in chocolate to donate towards our chocolate tombola. We could not run the school fairs without the donations and support of our community. The children also came into school in their own clothes/spots to support the work that is completed by Children In

Need. If you wish to donate to the charity then please follow the <u>link</u>. The children really enjoyed learning about the history of Children In Need and the work that is completed.



Attendance

Here are the top three classes this week for attendance. Well done 3/4CL to for having the highest attendance this week.

Class	Attendance
3/4CL	100%
1P	99.1%
6C	97.3%

Please look at the School Hall window to see a full list of classes attendance this week.

Staff Update

We wanted to give you all a staffing update as we have a number of members of staff leaving us at Christmas. Mrs Keeling will be stepping away from her teacher position but remaining with us as a teaching assistant. Miss Whalley will be leaving her position as Early Years Teacher. She has been a vital member of our Early Years Team for many years. Finally, our School Business Manager, Mrs Griffiths, will be leaving after 31 years of service at the school. She will be enjoying spending more time with her beautiful granddaughter. They will all be sorely missed and we thank them for their dedication towards the school. We will be interviewing for all of these posts next week and will update you with any appointments made.

St Ann's Hospice

This week, our Key Stage 2 children were fortunate to be involved in an engaging assembly from Greg and Gwyneth from St Ann's Hospice. They discussed the vital work that the hospice do and the support that they provide for families. Later in the year

we will be doing a fundraiser to help raise much needed funds for one of our local charities.



Kind regards,

Pete Cope

and the Etchells staff