



Dear Parents,

The School Council and Anti-bullying group asked children to wear something spotty and bring a teddy to school with a small donation to raise money for Children in Need. We raised £140.00. Thank you to everyone for supporting this very worthwhile charity.

News from Classrooms

Class 1:

Class 1 have been finding out all about Noah's Ark and creating music for the animals in the Ark. In maths they have been working on number bonds to 5 and to 10.

Class 2:

For Anti bullying week, Class 2 made coloured friendship bracelets, with beads representing good qualities friends have. They also wrote letters to Cinderella to give her some advice about how to deal with her sisters who were very mean bullies. In maths the children had a super hero maths challenge to test their skills.

Class 3:

In Class 3 this week the children have been writing newspaper reports and also completed a digestive system experiment in science. In maths they worked on factors of numbers.

Maths next week:

Class 1: measurements.

Class 2: addition and subtraction.

Class 3: multiplication and prime numbers

Small Schools Football Final

Last night, the Y5/6 football team travelled to Evington in Leicester for the Leicestershire small schools football final. There were four teams competing so we played three games in total. We confidently won our first game 4-0 then narrowly lost the second game 0-1. In the final game we lost 4-0. The whole team played really well with great team spirit and it is a huge achievement to be runners up in the final. Well done, we are all really proud of your effort and team work! Thank you to those parents who were able to help with transport.

Class 1 Show and Tell

Show and tell for Class 1 will now be on Fridays. Please can this be related to our topics, Noah's Ark or mini beasts. Thank you.

Open Morning

Reminder that our Open Morning takes place next Friday, 25th Nov, 9.00-10.30am, for parents of children due to start school next autumn.

Facebook Facts – Information for parents

- Facebook restricts membership to people 13 and older.
- Facebook has created an environment designed only for teens and adults. The rules, policies, protections and safety education that Facebook has in place are all designed for people 13 and older.
- But if they are going to continue despite the site's restrictions, it's even more important to help them configure their privacy settings to the most restrictive level possible, and be sure to "friend" them or otherwise monitor their online use.

What are the risks involved in social networking?

1. The most common risk young people face online is peer harassment or aggression – in other words hurtful, harassing, or defamatory behaviour.
2. Posting information about themselves that: a) could help strangers determine their physical location; b) could be used to manipulate them; or c) whether posted by them or others, could cause psychological harm or jeopardise reputations and future prospects
3. Harassment or online bullying ("cyberbullying") on the part of your children or others'
4. Spending too much time online, losing a sense of balance in their activities.
5. Exposure to inappropriate content
6. Potential for inappropriate contact with adult.

How to keep your child safe on the internet:

1. Set **restrictions / privacy settings** on the ipad/ tablet/ computers/ consoles/ wifi (For help see <https://www.internetmatters.org> or Miss Geeson)
2. Set a time limit for children using devices
3. Ensure they are ALWAYS in sight of a responsible adult when using electronic devices.

Mr Williams

Unfortunately Mr Williams is still not well enough to return to school. He is hoping to be back during the week commencing 12th December, but we will of course keep you updated. Miss Geeson and myself are working closely with Mrs Bagnall, Mrs Hibbert, Miss Muitt and Mrs Triggs to ensure that Teaching and learning continues to be highly effective, so please be assured that the children are in good hands.

Y2 New Walk Museum Trip

Please will you ensure you send your child with a snack in addition to their packed lunch for the trip to the museum on Wednesday. Continued...

We are hoping to have our lunch in the park opposite the museum if it is a fine day, but if not we will have a snack before leaving and eat our packed lunch on our return at 12.45pm.

Governor Vacancies

Message from chair of governors:

We are currently seeking two governors to join our highly successful team. For one role we are specifically looking for an individual with strategic development experience, preferably with HR, financial, IT or business interest.

For the other role we require a **Foundation Governor**. This individual's purpose is to represent the views of the church and uphold the Christian distinctiveness of our school.

Both positions are eligible to individuals from within or outside our catchment area, who have the time passion and drive to work with our successful team.

If you wish to discuss the position any further please do not hesitate to contact Cheryl Lobo 01949 844222 or Mrs Hopkins 01949 842429.

Ragtex Collection

There will be a Ragtex collection on Thursday 24th November. Items which can be recycled include; clothes, paired shoes, handbags and books. They cannot accept duvets, pillows or blankets. Please leave any bags for recycling outside school on Thursday morning, in the area in front of Mrs Hopkins office. Labels are no longer required for the bags. Thank you.

Milk Bottle Tops

For the next fortnight, we are collecting plastic milk bottle tops for the children to make decorations. Please could you send any clean, dry tops in to school with your child. Thank you.

Diary Dates

November

- 23rd Class 2 trip to New Walk Museum
- 24th Ragtex collection
- 25th Open Morning 9.00-10.30am
- 26th Cross Country at Prestwold Hall
- 28th Basketball friendly v's Harby 3.30-4.15pm
SRE meeting 7pm for parents of Y5/6
- 29th Vale Basketball at BHS 1.00-2.30pm
- 30th Flu vaccinations Y1-6

December

- 2nd Melton lights switch on trip-Glee Club
- 6th School Christmas dinner
- 8th Redmile Christmas show - afternoon & evening
- 9th Christingle Service 9.15am at St Peter's Church
- 13th Whole school panto trip to Newark
- 16th School closes for holidays

Letter going home this week

- Kingswood payment letter Y4/5
- Melton lights switch on trip – Glee Club
- Whole school Christmas panto trip letter
- Whole school Christmas dinner letter
- Basketball team – 2 letters
- Y5/6 SRE letter

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J. V. Hopkins
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