

Headteacher Newsletter 10th November 2023

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Key Dates:					
W/B 13 th November Anti bullying week-odd socks	17 th November School disco				
14 th and 16 th November Little Wandle parent sessions	W/B 27 th November Book Fair				
17 th November Children in Need	7 th December Christmas Jumper day and Christmas lunch				

Communications this week:				
School Disco	Year 2 junk modelling			
Anti-Bullying Week/Odd Socks Day				
Children in Need				

Dear Parents & Carers,

The children continue to be working really hard and making great progress. As staff we have been looking closely at children's maths and writing across the school and it is so rewarding to see the progress children make over the three years with us. Year two enjoyed a morning with staff from IBM delivering a range of scientific activities within their Try Science sessions, the children were really engaged throughout the morning.

A reminder that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea they do need to stay off school for 48 hours. Please can I also remind everyone of the no right turn as you leave school during the restricted times.

Anti-Bullying Week-Odd Socks

Next week is national anti-bullying week. This year it has the theme 'Make A Noise About Bullying' and will take place from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November. The week will be kicked off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 13th November, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.



Disco

We are looking forward to our first school disco of the year after school next Friday 17th November. There will be a tuck shop run by the HSPTA available at the end of each disco.

- Year R 3.15pm-4.15pm (please pick up from your child's classroom door at 4.15pm)
- KS1 (Year 1&2) 4.30pm-5.30pm (please drop off and pick up at your child's classroom door)

Little Wandle Information Meetings

We look forward to seeing you at one of the following Little Wandle phonics and reading information meetings next week. You will be able to find out all about how we teach phonics in school and how you can support your child's reading at home:

- Tuesday 14th November at 9am
- Thursday 16th November at 6pm

Learning Highlights from Each Year Group

Year R

In Reception this week, the children have been learning about the numbers 1,2 and 3. They have been finding different representations of the numbers in a range of different ways, have learnt how to 'subitise' (just look and know!) the numbers and represent the numbers using a variety of resources in the classroom. The children have learnt about the 'primary' colours, identifying these around the classroom and creating pictures using the colours. Some of the children have discovered that when these colours are mixed together, they create new colours! In computing, the children have learnt how to log in and out of their own Seesaw account and have begun to explore the drawing tool within Seesaw. In PE this week, we have been learning about 'travelling' and using different ways to travel like fireworks in response to music. The children have been busy in phonics learning new sounds and tricky words.

Year 1

The Year One children have worked very hard in their phonics and guided reading sessions this week. The children have been learning that the vowel sounds 'i', 'e', 'o', 'a' and 'u' also say an alternative sound, their 'letter name' sounds e.g. kind, paper etc.

The children have again loved their second dance session with Maisie from The Integr8 Dance Company. They learnt to dance with a partner and this week learnt a few Victorian Polka dance steps.

During our computing sessions the children have learnt to click and drag using a mouse and they will continue to learn how to log onto the laptops.

Year 2

What a fantastic week Year 2 have had! The children have fully embraced their new learning journeys in English, maths and history. We have been really impressed with how well they applied their learning from autumn 1 within their exciting writing assessment piece this week. We were blown away by their use of all four sentence types and how accurate they were at punctuating their work. We have had a big scientific focus this week and had visitors from IBM on Thursday to deliver Try Science sessions. The children were so engaged and enthusiastic as they explored floating and sinking, structures, programming, biology and forces. We hope they enjoyed sharing their learning with you. In design technology, the children will be designing and making their own product to meet a set of design criteria with a focus on wheels and axels. Please could we ask you to bring in any empty packaging such as boxes, bottles and tubes which could be used by the children in their modelling.

Learners of the Week - This week we are incredibly proud of

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Year 2 Try Science with IBM







Children have reflected in classes about Remembrance, we hope you have time to reflect as families over the weekend.

Kind Regards Phillippa Longman