

Y2 CP Assembly Transport Through the Ages



Year 2 CP presented a lovely assembly on Tuesday based on their topic of Transport. The children shared some facts about the development of the automobile and talked enthusiastically about their trip last week to The British Motor Museum. They also treated us to some wonderful singing. Well done everyone!



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Article 29: Goals of Education



Family Workshops

Story in a Box



On Wednesday afternoon, The Family Learning Service ran a craft session for Y1 and Y2 parents/carers and their children. Grown ups spent time together with their children making a special box which told the story of their family. We hope these boxes will become treasured objects that families will like to keep as a memory of happy times spent together.

In the morning, The Family Learning Service also ran a parenting workshop which offered parents/carers a range of strategies that can be used to promote positive family relationships.



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Article 3: Best Interests of the Child

Useful Information

INSET Day—School Closure

Please remember that school is closed for staff training on Friday 15th November. Teachers will travel to Birmingham to attend “Talk for Reading” training, led by Pie Corbett. Teaching assistants will be trained to deliver “Success in Arithmetic” which is an intervention programme endorsed by The Education Endowment Foundation and proven to be very effective at helping children to close gaps in their understanding of number.

Diwali Donations

Y2 pupils are presenting a Diwali celebration for their parents/carers on Friday 25th October from 9.30—10.00am. We are hoping to offer families the opportunity to enjoy drinks and nibbles after the performance and would **welcome donations of Indian foods such as samosas, pakora and traditional sweets. We would also welcome cartons of mango juice.** All donations gratefully received.

MUFTI (Non-Uniform) Day

Friday 25th October is a MUFTI (non uniform) day. Each child must bring 50p if they opt to come to school in their own choice of clothes. All money raised is going towards purchasing copies of lime and gold reading scheme books.

Parking

Please remember not to park on dropped kerbs or in any way that blocks driveways or causes an obstruction. We have had several complaints from parents/carers that this is continuing to happen. Please be aware that such illegal parking obstructs the pavement making it difficult for wheelchair users, children with trikes and parents/carers with buggies.

Also, for health and safety reasons, please do not leave pre-school siblings alone in your car whilst you collect older children from the classroom. This poses a health and safety risk.

Lost Property

Our lost property bins are over-flowing! We have lots of items of clothing, water bottles and lunch boxes, many of which are not labelled with a child's name. If your child has any missing items of uniform, please check the bins as soon as possible. We would also urge you to remind children to take responsibility for their possessions so that they are not mislaid.

Useful Information

Uniform

Please make sure that your child is in the correct school uniform.

Girls Uniform

- Grey skirt/trousers/shorts/pinafore.
- White/red polo shirt.
- Red school sweatshirt or jumper/cardigan.
- Red checked dress for warmer weather.
- Grey/red tights.
- Flat, black shoes.

Boys Uniform

- Grey/black trousers.
- Red/white polo shirt.
- Red school sweatshirt or jumper.
- Black shoes.

Please do not send girls to school wearing head bands that feature cat's ears, deely-boppers etc. These are a distraction to learning and can get lost or broken.

Please try not to deviate from the standard uniform. These items of clothing are durable, easy to wash/dry and fit for purpose.

Leamington Twinning Society

You may remember that, last year, some children submitted art work to celebrate the fact that Leamington has been twinned with the French town of Sceaux for fifty years. Some of the work will be displayed in The Royal Priors shopping centre and the Town Hall from 10.00am tomorrow (19th October.) We hope you will pop along to see it as there were some super pieces of work.



Father Christmas



On Friday 13th December we will be taking children in Reception, Year One and Year Two to Warwick Arts' Centre to watch a performance of "Father Christmas" by Raymond Briggs. Please see the letter sent home in book bags for more information.

Join Santa as he awakes from a dream of sun, sea and sand only to find it is the busiest day of the year: Christmas Eve.

Watch as he prepares his Christmas deliveries, feeds his reindeer and finally takes flight into the snowy night.

This heart-warming adaptation is full of merry touches with plenty of live music, songs and playful puppetry. It's a perfect introduction to theatre for young children who won't be able to look away as secret doors and hidden hatches are revealed in this beautifully visual show.

"Magnificent" ★★★★★ The Observer

"Magical" ★★★★★ The Upcoming

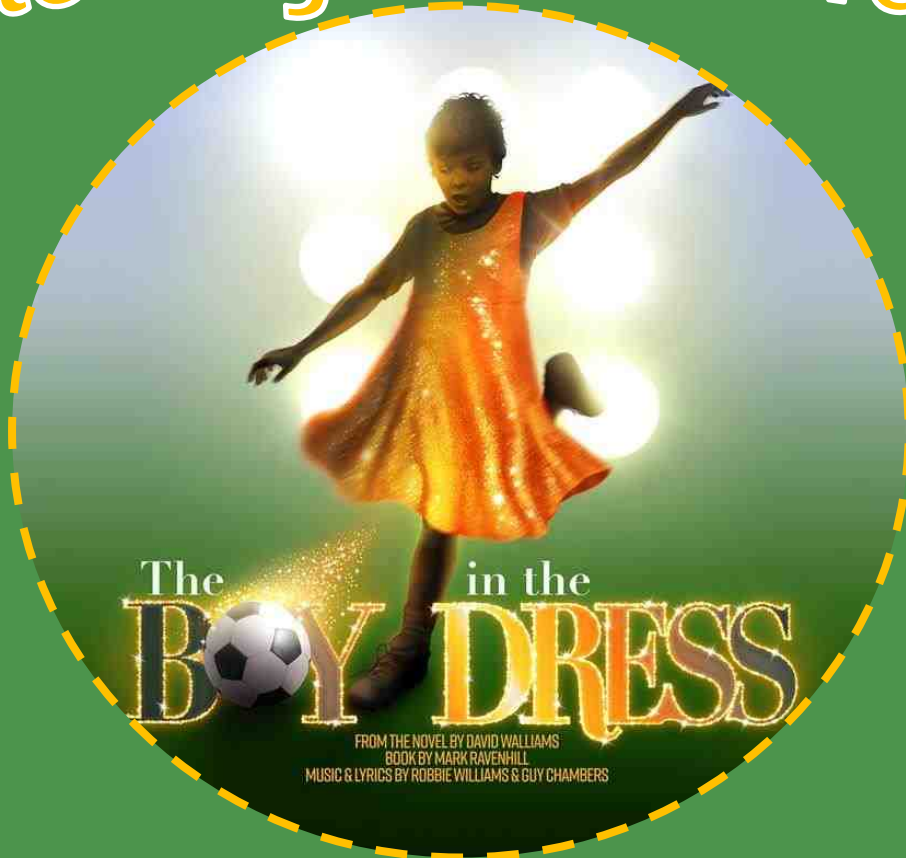
YR/1/2 Christmas Theatre Trip

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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture



The Boy in the Dress



On Wednesday 15th January, we will be taking children in years 3/4/5/6 to The Royal Shakespeare Theatre to see a production of David Walliams', "The Boy in the Dress."
Please see the letter sent home in book bags for more information.

Dennis is 12 years old and his school football team's star striker. But when Mum leaves home, life is tough. The only reminder Dennis has of Mum is a photo of her in a beautiful yellow dress. A dress rather like the one on the cover of *Vogue* on sale at Raj's newsagents. And also a bit like the one that Lisa James, the coolest girl in the school, is sketching in her note book. What do you do if you like both football and dresses? And what will Mr Hawtrey the headteacher do when he discovers that his strict uniform code has been broken by a boy in a dress?

David Walliams' heart-warming comedy is brought to the stage for the first time in a musical with all new songs from Robbie Williams and Guy Chambers, script by former RSC playwright in residence Mark Ravenhill and in a production for all the family directed by RSC Artistic Director Gregory Doran.

KS2 Theatre Trip



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**Well done to Y1 CD, Y1 EL and Y3 JL who had
the highest attendance at school this week
with a brilliant 99%**

Attendance for other classes this week was as follows:

Y3 JML	97%
Y6 KG	97%
YR RK	96%
Y2 CP	96%
Y5 RA	95%
Y4 KC	95%
Y2 AP	94%
Y4 FC	93%
Y5 CB	93%
YR LS	92%
Y5 JvS	89%

**Please note that our school attendance
target is 97%. The minimum acceptable
attendance, as stipulated by Warwickshire
Local Authority, is 95%. Low attendance
results in poorer educational progress and
attainment.**

PTA News

Having a clear out of clothes? Why not donate to: **Bags2school**



What we accept!

Men's, ladies and children's clothing
Bags/handbags
Hats
Paired shoes
Underwear, socks and belts
Household linen and bedding
Soft toys
Scarves and ties
Household curtains, towels

What we do NOT accept!

Pillows and cushions
Duvets and blankets
Carpets rugs and mats
Soiled, ripped, painted and wet clothes
School uniforms
Uniforms and work wear
Textile off cuts, yarns and threaded material

All bags MUST be handed in to the office in by Friday 22nd November.

The PTA Wrap Room will be open for business from Monday 18th December. Children are, once again, invited to visit the Wrap Room to buy a Christmas gift for a loved one.

We would welcome donations of any unwanted, good quality gifts to be used in the Wrap Room. Items that are suitable include:
bath/perfume sets, children's gifts, unused toys, clean teddy jewellery, chocolates/biscuits.

Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.



Class challenge

The PTA have placed an empty plastic bottle in each classroom. Your challenge is to fill the bottle with 5p's.

The first class to complete their bottle will receive a class treat



The P.T.A will check the bottles every so often and will let you all know who is in the lead.

If you don't win the first time, don't worry because the challenge will re-start once the bottles are emptied.

Sydenham Primary PTA

Cake Sale

Friday 8th November 3:20pm
in the Hall



Please bring or bake cakes/cookies/donuts/muffins for our cake sale
All donations should be brought to the office on the morning on Friday 8th November.



All proceeds will go towards the PTA
Thank you for all your support

**Look out for news coming up about the next
PTA disco!**

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal



We are once again supporting The Royal British Legion's poppy appeal. The items below are available from the office—please give the suggested donation if possible.

The Royal British Legion looks after serving and ex-servicemen, women and their dependants who are in need, financially or otherwise. Last year, fifty one million pounds was raised to help those in need.



Zip pull - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Reflector - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Silicon wristband - **Suggested** Donation: £1.00



Snap band - **Suggested** Donation: £1.50

Remembrance



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Article 38: War and Armed Conflict.

Diary Dates

Monday 21st October

Flu vaccinations for all pupils, YR—Y6.

Monday 21st October

Y6 library visit—Fantastic Fun With Words Festival.

Tuesday 22nd October

Y1 EL Reading River, 9.15—9.45am in the hall.

Wednesday 23rd October

YR Diwali party, 2.15—3.15pm.

Friday 25th October

MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. Please bring a donation of 50p per child if they choose to wear non-uniform.

Friday 25th October

Y2 Diwali assembly at 9.30am in the hall. Y2 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.

HALF-TERM, Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November

Monday 4th November

Return to school.

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Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics (20 children attending.)

Monday 4th November

Inclusive Sports Hall Athletics.

Tuesday 5th November

Y6 JvS class assembly at 9.15am Y6 JvS parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.

Thursday 7th November

Y4 trip to The Sealife Centre.

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YR RK visit to Leamington Art Gallery

Friday 8th November

PTA cake sale at 3.20pm.

Tuesday 12th November

Y1 EL class assembly at 10.15am. Y1 EL parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.

Tuesday 12th November

Open morning for parents/carers of children in YR LS (Mrs Schole's class) from 9.00—10.00am

Wednesday 13th November

Teachers from Shenzhen, China, visiting.

Thursday 14th November

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Friday 15th November

School closed—In Service Teacher Training (INSET) Day. Teachers will be attending Talk for Reading training, led by Pie Corbett.

Monday 18th November	Football match v Coten End (home fixture.)
Tuesday 19th November	Reading workshop for YR parents, 4.00—4.30pm. (Meet outside the school office.)
Friday 22nd November	MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. Please bring a donation of 50p per child if they choose to wear non-uniform.
Friday 22nd November	Reading workshop for YR parents, 9.00—9.30am. (Meet outside the school office.)
Tuesday 26th November	Y5 CB class assembly at 9.15am. Y5 CB parents/ carers are warmly invited to attend.
Wednesday 4th December	YR Nativity at 9.30am—YR parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
Wednesday 4th December	Parents' Evening, 3.30—7.00pm.
Thursday 5th December	Parents' Evening, 3.30—5.30pm.
Wednesday 11th December	Y1 and Y2 carol concert, 9.30—10.15am in the hall. All Y1/2 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
Thursday 12th December	Y3/4 carol and recorder concert, 2.00—2.30pm in the hall. Please note the change of time.
Thursday 12th December	Christmas Crafts for Y1 & 2, 9.15—10.45am.
Friday 13th December	Y5/6 carol and recorder concert, 2.00—2.30pm in the hall. Please note the change of time.
Friday 13th December	YR/1/2 visit Warwick Arts' Centre to watch a performance of "Father Christmas" at 1.30pm.
Monday 16th December	Rocksteady concert at 2.00pm.
Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th December	PTA Present Wrap Room.
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Lunch.
Friday 20th December	MUFTI/Christmas jumper day. Please bring a donation of 50p per child if they choose to wear non-uniform.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Monday 23rd December 2019—Friday 3rd January 2020

Return to school on Monday 6th January 2020

Sydenham Super Stars!



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Have a lovely weekend from Miss Glenly and Miss Challand