

ydenham Primary School Newslette

Newsletter 9 Friday 13th November 2020

Remembrance

Bhaavi has written this fabulous poem in remembrance of the many men and women who have died or been injured during times of armed conflict.

As Big Ben strikes to mark eleven, A sombre silence fills the air, The bugle playing "The Last Post," Bright red poppy wreaths placed against The Cenotaph, Listening to the important speeches made on TV,

A feeling you are lost in loneliness.

Lest we forget.

By Bhaavi (Y5)





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Pupils enjoyed hearing the story of Rama and Sita and learning about the Sikh celebration of Bhandi Chhor. They had fun making cards, diva lamps and rangoli patterns. Reception dressed up and some children even tried Indian stick dancing (Dandiya Raas.) Year Four made samosas, tasted Indian sweets and listened to Mansahib play the harmonium and sing Sikh songs. Year Two even threw a special Divali party and lit sparklers.







Happy Divali



The Paper Bag Princess

Y2 have been thinking of Princesses that they know from movies and books. The children talked about what was the same and different about them. They then met the heroine of their new class book, 'The Paper Bag Princess'. Afterwards, the children worked together to dress a team member in a costume made from paper, just like the character in their new story!





Parents' Evenings Pupil Progress Reviews

Dear Parents and carers

We will be holding remote parents' and carers' evenings on Microsoft Teams on: Wednesday 2nd December 3.30-6.00pm Tuesday 8th December 3.30-6.00pm Wednesday 9th December 3.30-6.00pm

Good news! Parents' Evenings just got a whole lot easier because you can now book your appointments online through Teachers2parents.

We will send a link to your mobile phone or email address next week (**booking will open on Wednesday 11th November**), which will take you to our online booking system to select a time convenient for you. Please follow these simple steps to book your slot:

- 1. Click the link that you receive through text and/or email to take you to the confirmation page. You will need internet access to do this.
- 2. Enter your child's first name to continue. If you have more than one child, any of their first names will work.
- 3. Next you will be taken to the booking page. This will show your children, alongside all of the teachers that you can book in with.
- 4. Click 'Please Choose' to be shown a list of available times that you can click to book. This will even give you the option to add any notes that you might want the teacher to see before the meeting.
- 5. After you have entered any notes, please click 'Book this Slot' to complete your booking. When the button has turned green you know your booking has been made.
- 6. At any time before the Parents Evening, you can click the link on your phone or email again to check your booking time or even un-book by clicking the green booked button.

Make sure you book your parents' / carers' evening as soon as possible after booking opens on Wednesday 11th November to ensure you get the best time for you.

Please note that we are only able to email the booking link to the first contact on Teachers2parents. Where families are split, we politely request that the first contact sends the Microsoft Teams link to the second contact (regrettably, we are currently unable to offer more than one online session per child due to time constraints).

Booking will close on Friday 20th November. If you are experiencing technical difficulty booking, please telephone or email the school office.

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You will receive a written summary of your child's achievement so far this term on Friday 27th November, which will form the basis of your discussion with your child's class teacher.

Christmas Lunch

We will be serving a special Christmas menu on Thursday 17th December

Sadly, we're unable to offer our traditional Christmas dinner in the hall this year. However, we'll do everything we can to make lunch special for each class with music, crackers and the following festive, deli-bag menu:

Pigs-in Blankets hot dog

or

Best of British, Quorn, vegan sausage with stuffing hot dog

ketchup or cranberry sauce

Served with Criss-Cringle potatoes, Rudolf's carrots and red pepper sticks

chocolate ice cream and Juice carton.

If you would like to book a Christmas Deli Bag for your child please log in to parent pay to book your meal under the payment item *Christmas Deli Bag 17/12/20*. You must book your request by **Tuesday 17 November 2020** as our kitchen will need to place their food order.

Although all children in KS1 receive a Universal Free School Meal, we would be really grateful if you could still log in to make the booking to assist us with giving numbers to Educaterers. Similarly, if your child is in receipt of a free school meal please also still log in to Parent Pay to make the booking for your child.

The cost of the Christmas deli bag is £2.25 and payment should be made via your Parent Pay account prior to December 17th 2020. If you child does not want a deli bag on this day, they will still receive a cracker and be able to join in with the rest of their class bubble.

Please don't hesitate to contact the school office

if you have any queries.





All prospective students and parents/carers are warmly invited to our

Virtual Open Event

We have produced a series of videos promoting Trinity Catholic School.

- A welcome from our Executive Principal and Head of School
 Meet our students
 - Virtually visit our subject departments
 - A Catholic School for All

Why not find out more about our school community by visiting: http://www.trinity-school.org.uk/virtual-open-event-october-2020/



Trinity is a Catholic learning community devoted to the common good.

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Sydenham Superstars

YR LS



YR HC

Mrs Harrad and Mrs Cox would like to make **Bhaargavi** superstar this week. Bhaargavi has settled really well at school. She is trying hard with her learning, following routines and making friends. Well done!

Y1 EL

Lance has been a real maths superstar this week. Mrs Lee has been very impressed with his ability to solve addition calculations with missing numbers and has been very proud of the way he's been able to explain how he worked out his answers. Keep up the good work.

Y1 CD

Miss Daly has chosen **Kiran** as superstar because of her brilliant attitude to learning. Kiran has been reading at home and this is really helping to improve her writing. In Maths, she has worked by herself with a huge smile on her face. You should be very proud of yourself, Kiran.

Y2 CP

The Y2 CP superstar is **Erin**. Erin has been making a fantastic effort with her reading and has made exceptional progress. She has been concentrating in all her lessons and is a brilliant role model to others.

Y2 RK

Simran is superstar this week for her generosity to others. Simran spends time articulating her ideas and helping others clarify their own. She is a delightful presence and always enjoys her learning.

Y3 JL

The Y3 JL superstar this week is **Lewis**. Lewis has lovely manners, works hard and is always kind. This week, he's been a brilliant talk partner and has shone in English with his wonderful diary writing which was full of empathy. We're very proud of you, Lewis.

Sydenham Superstars

Mrs Rastall and Mrs Christensen have chosen **Caitlyn** as superstar. Caitlyn has made a real effort to work hard and follow all our school rules this week. She has shown a mature attitude and has taken responsibility for her choices. Well done, Caitlyn!

Y4 SM

There can only be one Y4 SM superstar this week—**Mansahib**! Y4 SM were blown away by Mansahib's harmonium playing and beautiful singing of Sikh hymns. His contribution to the class' Divali celebrations was outstanding.

Y4 AH

Mr Hawes has chosen **Jeevanjot** as class superstar this week. Jeevanjot has been enthusiastic when learning about Divali and helpful to others. He has been able to explain the vocabulary and traditions associated with Divali and made a lovely clay diva lamp.

Y5 CB

Noah is the Y5 CB superstar. Noah has been amazing at explaining his reasoning during maths lessons this week and he has also created some great descriptive sentences stimulated by the classic poem, "The Highwayman."

Y5 JE

Miss Ellershaw has chosen **Tani** to be superstar. Sadly, Tani's best friend moved back to India this week, but she has dealt with this brilliantly and had fun playing with other children in class. Tani also wrote her friend a lovely goodbye letter. What a superstar!

Y6 KG

Molly W has been chosen as the Y6 KG superstar. Molly is such a kind and empathetic friend who always supports and looks after others. She is always calm and relaxed and deals with problems in a mature manner. Molly is making great progress and is really growing in self-confidence.

Y6 JvS

The Y6 JvS superstar is **Andrei**. Andrei has lots of fantastic ideas, is a super talk partner and always joins in well with class discussions. He always works hard and produces beautiful pieces of learning. Well done, Andrei!

School Information

School Closure—Staff Training

You'll have received a text message this week explaining that **school is closed on Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th November**. This is to provide staff with the two consecutive days necessary to complete annual safeguarding training.

Christmas Performances

Sadly, we're unable to present our usual Christmas concerts this year due to Covid. This is a real disappointment as I know that our concerts are a highlight of the school calendar for many of you. Instead, we're hoping to film each bubble performing a Christmas song or instrumental piece. These films will be uploaded to YouTube so that you can watch them at home. We're hoping to capture some festive, magic moments that will brighten you your Christmas celebrations.

Heartbreak Productions Christmas Carol Concert

Three of our KS2 class music bubbles have been asked to participate in a carol concert organised by Heartbreak Productions. Providing the current lock down restrictions are eased, Heartbreak will be filming in school in a socially distanced manner on Thursday December 3rd. If your child is involved, you will receive a letter next week asking you to give consent via Parent Pay. The carol concert will be available to view on YouTube.

Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that the date for pupils to receive their flu vaccinations is Monday 30th November. A letter will be sent to you electronically approximately two weeks before this date. The letter contains a link to an online consent form. The immunisation team will vaccinate one "bubble" at a time, decontaminating their working area in between each bubble and at the end of the session.

Christmas Jumper MUFTI Day

All proceeds from our Christmas jumper MUFTI Day on Friday 18th December will be donated to Myton Hospice. This is in place of our annual community recorder playing event at ASDA which usually raises approximately £100 for the hospice. If you're able, please give generously as Myton Hospice have continued to offer vital end of life support throughout the lockdown despite their usual charitable funding streams being severely reduced.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 18th November Friday 20th November

Monday 23rd November Tuesday 24th November Friday 27th November

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Monday 30th November Monday 30th November Wednesday 2nd December Thursday 3rd December Tuesday 8th December Wednesday 9th December Thursday 17th December

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Deadline to order Christmas lunch on Parent Pay. Deadline to book Parents' Evening appointments on Teachers 2 Parents.

INSET—school closed for staff safeguarding training. INSET—school closed for staff safeguarding training MUFTI Day. Bring 50p to wear your own choice of clothes.

Autumn Term achievement summaries emailed to parents/carers.

Flu vaccinations.

Y2 Phonics screening all week.

Parents' Evening, 3.30—6.00pm.

Heartbreak Productions filming carol concert.

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Christmas lunch. MUFTI—bring 50p to wear your Christmas jumper or a festive outfit. All proceeds to Myton Hospice.

BREAK UP

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Monday 4th January	INSET—school closed for staff training.
Tuesday 5th January	Children return to school.

Best wishes from everyone at Sydenham. Have a fabulous weekend.