

Term 2 Week 2

Friday 11th November

St Mary the Virgin Church of England CE Primary

School

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School Value and Weekly Reflection

Each term, we focus on a Christian Value with weekly reflection in assembly and in class. We would like to develop this further by asking you

to discuss the reflection of the week with your child(ren) at home.

This term, we are looking at Compassion and Peace.

Week Two:



Remembrance

There is a Remembrance Glade located at the national Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire. It is a beautiful, calm place full of sculptures and plants that mean something special. People go there and feel peaceful and remember, remember what other people have done to keep them safe.

As a family, write a prayer of thanks to those who keep you safe.

<u>Top Tips</u>

Letters and emails home:

Whole School



- ◊ Flu Vaccine update
- ◊ Parent Questionnaire
- Odd Socks Day Anti-bullying week

Lilac Class

♦ APDR - selected pupils

Cherry Class

- ♦ Change of date Forest School
- ◊ Change of date Parent Consultations

Remembrance Service

Sunday 13th November 10:45am, St Mary the Virgin Church.

<u>Attendance</u>

The Pioneer Federation goal is an average attendance rate of 97%, recognising that each school day provides opportunities for learning, as well as social and emotional



development. It is noticeable when students miss school as it impacts on their progress.

Please support us and your child by ensuring their attendance is a priority.

Whole school: week: 91.4%

year: 95.0%

<u>Maple: 96.4%</u>	Cherry: 87.8%	
Willow: 90.0%	Lilac:	94.3%
Less than 94.9% - Re	ed	95 to 96.4% - Amber
96.5 to 99.9% - Gree	en	100% - Gold

Well done to Maple Class!

Headteacher Award.

We have one Headteacher Award this week:





Amelie: for amazing progress using a range of verbs and adjective in her writing!

Well done, Amelie!



If you need the newsletter, or any other school letter, to be in a different format, please speak with Mrs Funnell in the school office.

If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Funnell.



PIONEER



Each week, one pupil from each class is identified for their 'star skills' development. Staff and other pupils share the skills they have noticed through the week, which are then recognised in Celebration Assembly on Fridays at 9:15am.

With so many Star Skills developing, we choose one each week to highlight in the Newsletter.

Harry (Y6): has shown amazing skills in aiming high! His poem about Remembrance Day is exceptional!

Teagan: has shown brilliant **Speaking skills**, explaining her reasoning in maths for others to understand.

Florence: demonstrate amazing **Positivity**, when tackling a tricky task, she remains upbeat and gives it another go.

Henry: has shown fabulous **Teamwork** this week, waiting patiently to use the art spinner and finding colours for his friends to use!

Well done to you all!

Next week , we will be looking at how Ryah-Rose, Riley, Marlie and Ida develop their skills.

Parking

Concerns have been raised about the speed at which some cars enter and leave the car park.

Please consider your speed when dropping and collecting at school and remember children do, at times, run into the car park and driveway. Thank you.



October

November

13th: Remembrance Service Church 10:45am
14th: Odd Socks Day - Anti-bullying week
15th: Parent Coffee Afternoon - Park Mead 2:00pm - 3:00pm
17th: Coffee Morning, Thrive. 9:00am - 10:00am, ST mary's

17th: Community Café 2:00pm - 4:00pm
18th: Mufti Day - bottles or chocolate for the Tombola
19th: School Christmas Fair 12noon - 2:30pm
24th: Willow Class Forest School

December

1st: Lilac Class Forest School

1st: Community Café 2:00pm - 4:00pm

7th: Nativity Performance

- 10:00am and 2:00pm
- 8th: Maple Class and Cherry Class Forest School
- 12th: Christingle Making
- 14th: Christingle Service in Church
- 15th: Christmas Dinner
- 15th: Community Café 2:00pm 4:00pm
- 16th: End of Term Service 2:30pm
- 16th: Last Day Term 2

January

3rd: INSET Day 4th: 1st Day, Term 3

Reading Reward Scheme

Our Whole School Reading Reward Scheme will continue with your ongoing support required to tot up the minutes read at home. Please add



additional comments in the reading records if required. Reading Records are checked each week and minutes counted for the House total.

This week's results:

Well done, Medway!		
<u>Medway:</u>	1,436 minutes	
Cuckmere:	559 minutes	
Teise:	761 minutes	
Rother:	1,272 minutes	

Weekly Peek

For our first 'peek' of the term, we a taking a visit to Maple Class.



This term, our topic learning journey is 'Let's Celebrate!' The class have been thinking about what different celebrations they know about already. They have been writing invitations and making cakes in their outside role-play area.

They thought about fireworks and bonfire celebrations, making rockets, creating some lovely firework artwork with spinning paintings. They learned some songs and danced with ribbons, imagining they were fireworks.



The children are becoming more confident at using their phonics to sound out words for labels and for captions for the work they are doing at school. We have also thought about Remembrance Day and listened to stories and poems related to remembrance.

The children then wrote a class poem about the colour red.

'Red Is' by Maple Class

Red is the fire alarm	Во
Red is the post box	Ida
Red is red paint	Isaac
Red is a stop sign	Finn
Red is blood	Ellamy
Red is red tulips	Sami
Red is poppies	Alfred
Red is strawberries	Tuppence
Red is red tomatoes	Henry
Red is a ladybird	Ruby
Red is an apple	William





Weekly Peek - continued

We have thought about the meaning of Remembrance and talked about how we celebrate it in Hartfield.

The children enjoyed creating artwork inspired by poppies and the colour red. They used a range of techniques to do so!









In Maths, we enjoyed learning all about the Number 10!

We have been using Numicon to support our learning and have been learning how to write number sentences!



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Remembrance

Today, the whole school remembered those who lost their lives to secure peace for our country. Reverend Julie reminded us that the names on the crosses that we laid at the church memorial were of men who would once





have walked the paths in our village, and some had even attended our school. The children represented the school beautifully and we are very proud of them.



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Celebrations from the PTFA

On Saturday 5th November, Kerry Powell (PTFA Chair) was invited to collect a massive £1,490.58 cheque from Edenbridge Co-op. A huge thanks to everyone who supported this venture!



Celebrations from Home

Isla received a rosette and a test sheet with lovely comments from the judge when she completed her first ever dressage exam. Well done, Isla!





Anti-Bullying Week



Anti-bullying week is to promote an anti-bullying culture highlighting ways of preventing and responding to it. We would like to start the week off by asking children to wear 'odd socks' to school on **Monday 14 November**, giving an opportunity for staff and pupils to celebrate that we are all unique and express our individuality! Please visit these websites if you would like more information on anti-bullying week, including online safety. <u>https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/attachments/AntiBullying%20Week%202022%</u> <u>20-%20Parent%20Pack.pdf</u> <u>https://wearestrongercharity.org/en/page.php?page=bullying-fact-sheet#</u>

https://safetonet.com/cyberbullying/



Odd Socks Day sends an important message to pupils that they should be allowed to be themselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.





Opportunity

The **School Health Team** supports concern around anxiety, eating, toileting and other health issues.

On **Tuesday 15th November 2:00pm**, they will be attending a **Parent Coffee Afternoon** hosted by Park Mead School (Upper Dicker).

All parents in Pioneer Federation are invites to attend this event, which will provide an opportunity to hear from and talk generally to, the School Health Team



If you have concerns about any or the health issues highlighted above or discussed on the day, please be aware that parents can self refer to this service: <u>https://www.kentcht.nhs.uk/service/school-health-</u> service-east-sussex/



Opportunity

Sian Leahy (our Inclusion Manager/SENCO) will be hosting a Parent coffee morning between 9:00am and 10:00am on Thursday 17th November 9-10am at St Marys .

There will be a short presentation from Mrs Leahy on how we use **The Thrive Approach** and **Zones of Regulation** in school to support behaviour and emotional regulation.

All parents and carers are welcome and we would love to see you there.

For awareness, we are hoping to schedule an additional date to run the **Supporting Children with Anxiety** workshop, with date TBC.



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Saturday 19th November, between 12:00 noon and 2.30pm.

Pop the date into your diaries!

Needed:

- Can you help on the day.
 Remember one hour of help from three people saves one person needing to do three!
- Stall Holders
 If you, or anyone you know, would like a stall it will cost £15 plus a donation to the raffle!
- Raffle Prizes/Programme advertising
 Do you have a business? Can you donate to the raffle or would you like to advertise in the programme?
- Cakes

There will be a café at the fair with hot food, donations of cake to this are welcomed.

Teddies
 For tombola

Raffle Tickets

- These have been sent home in book bags this week. Please return stubs, money and unsold books to the school office by Friday 18th November.
- If you need more tickets, please collect from the school office.

Friday 18th

 This will be a Mufti Day (wear non-uniform clothes to school). The 'cost' for this is a donation of chocolates, or a 'bottle' for the tombolas to be held at the fair.

Father Christmas

 We believe Father Christmas will be making a visit to the fair. To help keep him organised in his busy seasonal preparations, we have developed an online booking form (payment straight to PTFA bank account or as cash into the school office.)



Positivity Board

This board enables us to write positive comments, or thoughts, from parents, carers, staff, children and visitors that they would like to share with others about the school, their classes, the children or events.

Please contact us at any time to let us know something that you would like to share. In the newsletter every week, there will be a picture to share and celebrate the positivity within our school.

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Wellbeing Poster

This week our wellbeing poster looks at 10 ways schools can promote positive mental health. Remember, these can be adapted to suit family life as well!

10 WAYS SCHOOLS CAN PROMOTE POSITIVE MENTAL MEALTH





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