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St Dunstan's, Cheam, C of E Primary School

Message from the Headteacher

about the launch of our school Twitter feed and I hope you are enjoying following our Tweets!



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Left We Forget

In addition to the children's regular curriculum, this week has seen much reflection around Remembrance; the whole school carried out an act of Worship at 11am on the 11th November and the children have all participated in some poignant learning remembering those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our peace and freedom. I hope you have all enjoyed looking at our poppy wreaths in the classes' windows as we marked Armistice Day.

As part of our commitment to the mental health and wellbeing of our whole school community, we have been following the 'Children in Need' theme of 'Together we can' in both worship and PSHE this week – I hope you have also managed to have a look at some of the activities which Mrs Soma sent out for adults to use at home.

This weekend is also Diwali, the Festival of Light and, as part of our worship today, the whole school learnt about this important festival. A very Happy Diwali to all who are celebrating tomorrow.

J Corby, Headteacher



This week we have been taking part in the Children in Need's 'Five to Thrive' week.

The children across the school have enjoyed listening to Joe Wicks, and some of his well-known friends, talk about ways in which we can boost our mental well-being.

We have learnt about the importance of connecting and talking to one another, being active, taking notice, giving, being kind and also being curious. The BBC will be holding their annual televised appeal night this evening, 13th November, at 7pm.

For more information on how you can support this cause please visit the website. <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>.



Ways to support the school with fundraising:

Please note the parent mail sent round with regards to ways your online shopping can assist the school with raising much needed funds.

There are two sites we are registered with ;

Easy fundraising and Amazon smile.

The process is simple and there is no cost to yourself.

We welcome your support in your purchases fundraising for the school. *Thank you.*

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Remembrance 2020

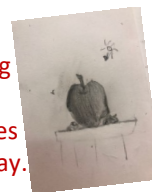
Thank you for your donations in supporting the **Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal.**

The children have been busy making poppy wreaths which you can see in the classroom windows.

"The poppies remind us of the soldiers. We were silent for two minutes so that we could think of all of the soldiers who died in the war." Lily, Year 1

'On Wednesday, we remembered all the men and women who died in the war. They died so we could live in peace. We made a poppy wreath and at 11am we were silent for 2 minutes. It made me feel a bit sad that they had died. We wear poppies because they grew in the muddy fields after the men had died there.' by Lucy, Year 2

Year 3 have been applying our shading learning to apple sketches and poppies for remembrance day.



'In Year 4 we coloured in Poppies and made a paper wreath. We were silent for 2 minutes and watched what the people did in WW2.' by Zurich.

'I think of people that sacrificed their lives for our country for us to have freedom.' by Curran, Year 5

As it is Remembrance, Year 6 have been looking at why we remember. To express our thoughts and feelings we wrote poems and reflections. We will remember those who gave their lives today, for our tomorrow. *by Olivia F, Year 6*

Why Remember?

We remember on November 11th
Why we stand here today.

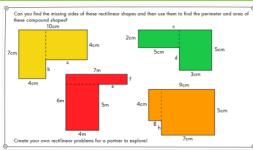
For all the lives that were risked
For everyone today.

To thank the people
Who fought for us
And died for us.

Thanks to the brave people
Who fought for us.


So we stand here today. Year 6

'In Year 4 this week for maths we have been calculating the perimeter of rectilinear shapes. 'First, we used centimetres squares in our maths books, then we measured different shapes. We also had to find the missing lengths of the sides of more complex shapes. In English, we have started writing a narrative, based on the book, 'The Journey', by Aaron Becker. We have explored the use of adverbials and short sentences in order to draw the reader in.' By Abeera, Year 4.



Anti-Bullying Week 2020

16th - 20th November



The theme for this year's Anti-Bullying week is 'United Against Bullying'. We will be taking part in a range of activities throughout the week. We look forward to sharing the children's work.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(Dates may be subject to change)

November
16th - 20th Anti-Bullying Week

December
Fri 18th Break Up at 1.30pm

January
Mon 4th Jan **INSET DAY**
Tues 5th Jan Children Return to School

Coronavirus: Updated guidance for parents and carers

The DfE have updated their guidance for parents and carers on [what they need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#). This update provides information on the national restrictions and the latest advice for clinically extremely vulnerable children and young people and advice on the use of face coverings in education settings.

House Points

St Andrew 305	St George 384
St David 392	St Patrick 418

Attendance

The attendance figure for w/c 2 /11 /2020 was: **98.8%**



Blue Peter have launched [Blue Peter on YouTube](#) at CBBC.


We have been asked to share this with you from Blue Peter.

Blue Peter is the longest running kids TV show in the world and they are uploading videos to it that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. They have world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. They also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about their incredible presenters Adam, Lindsey, Mwaksy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog. To get involve, subscribe to <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter> - and don't forget to watch the live programme on CBBC at 5.30pm every week, or on BBC iPlayer. **From Blue Peter**

'Stars' of the last two weeks.....

Nursery	~	~
Venus	~	~
Pluto	~	~
Neptune	Max D	Rosie
Mercury	Lola H	Emma
Jupiter	JJ	Florence J
Saturn	Ethan	Jasmine
Delphinus	Lucia	Geraint
Phoenix	Ella	Ava B
Orion	Abeera	Cameron
Pegasus	Scarlett	Wesley
Unicorn	Ellie	Finley S
Hercules	James B	Edith
Aquila	Jake	Charlie
Cygnus	Lukas	Finlay

Changes to a number of bus routes serving Sutton and Croydon.




Please see tfl.gov.uk/sutton-croydon-bus-changes for further information.

This consultation will run until **Sunday 20 December 2020**.

Why We Remember

Thank you to all the people who fought in the war, So we could live a normal life once more.

Thank you for Remembrance Day, So we can remember and pray.



We must remember the loss of others, For those who have lost fathers and mothers.

Children, friends, cousins and family, We must always remember. *By Year 6*