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Newsletter 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a full week we have had in school. The children have been incredibly busy with their learning.



From 10th to 11<sup>th</sup> November, Years 4, 5 & 6 were privileged to take part in a series of three exciting sessions led by award-winning, best-selling author, Will Hussey. The sessions, focusing on the Art of Being Brilliant, encompassed the over-arching theme of the science of flourishing, encouraging and inspiring all children to believe in better.

All children and staff were inspired by Will's messages and, as a school, we will continue to share his messages of positivity and aspiration. Many thanks to Will for working with us and for everyone at the Art of Being Brilliant for making the sessions possible.



### Anti-Bullying Week 2020

This week has been Anti-bullying week. Across the school, our children have been focusing on anti-bullying, and the importance of showing kindness to one another.

In KS1, Reception have been thinking about and trying to show acts of kindness. They have worked hard to create a beautiful 'Kind Hands' heart display to remind us of the importance of treating others well. They have also watched a special 'Topsy and Tim' Anti-bullying video story

and have considered how the different characters might have felt.

Year 1 and 2 have each had a special class assembly to help promote Anti-Bullying. The children discussed the word 'bully' and found out what it meant. They have focused on 'Friendship' and have been thinking about the qualities that make a good friend. The children also had the opportunity to complete a number of follow up activities including making friendship bracelets to give to a friend and designing an Anti-Bullying poster. In KS2, the children took part in lessons from the Anti-Bullying Alliance. During the sessions, they recapped their understanding of what bullying is and the roles different people play in bullying situations. More importantly, the children explored how they could act and how they could bring such situations to an end.

# Year 6 Maths Workshop with Nrich

On Tuesday 10th November, Year 6 took part in a live online workshop organised by Nrich, a website specialising in reasoning and problemsolving challenges for all ages. During the session, the children took part in a range of maths-themed games and activities.



## **Year 1 Reading**

Year 1 have done brilliantly with their reading and have now read 900 books on Epic, earning yet another badge! Well done Year 1.



Over the past two weeks, year groups across the school have enjoyed sporting activities led by ASM and Sports Coach North West. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have enjoyed an array of activities based around fundamental skills; KS2 have taken part in games skills, with a focus on football.



## **School Council 2020-21**

Following the presentation of manifestos and a democratic vote, our school council have been duly elected. Congratulations to you all!

Our new pupil school council are:

Year 1- Mikey and Symphony

Year 2- Max and Freddie

Year 3- Ella and Ethan

Year 4- Ava and Lily

Year 5- Oscar and Maddie

Year 6- Ava and Sophia



#### **Christmas Cards**

Given the current situation, the sharing of Christmas cards this year will be a little different. We know how important the giving and receiving of cards is to the children. This year, we would ask you to limit the distribution of cards to your children in your child's year group.



## Remembrance

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Poppy Appeal. We managed to raise a magnificent £214.67. Thank you for your generosity.

## **Treetops Update**

Over the past couple of weeks, the children at Treetops have been doing some fantastic remembrance activities including, wreath making, poppy pictures and remembrance lanterns. They have done some craft activities with hamma beads and made some autumn playdoh!

#### And finally...

In order to ensure our school environment is as safe as it can be, we are keeping windows in the classroom open to provide ventilation and promote air flow. This means that the classrooms can be colder than normal. We

would ask that you ensure your children have appropriately warm clothing in school.

Thank you for your continued support. As always, any concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to arrange to speak to a member of the team.

Mrs Jones Head Teacher