



Message from Mrs Kinsley The PTA would welcome any donations of bottles, unwanted gifts and chocolate for the Christmas Fair. Please bring to the office, hand to staff on the gate or your child can pass to their class teacher anytime this week. I'm really looking forward to the fair on Sunday and getting into the Christmas spirit—our PTA have worked so

hard to organise an event that I know our families will love—I'm on Santa's grotto duty so hope to see you there!



Diary Dates

Monday 18th November—Sharman class on local Autumn walk

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Tuesday 19th—Y1 Phonics Parents' workshop 9.30 in the hall

Wednesday 20th—Y2 to the cinema, Galileo class on local Autumn walk

Thursday 21st—Reception Parents' tours 9.30/1.30

Sunday 24th—PTA Christmas Fair 12-3

SAFE



This week was **anti-bullying week** so in our safety assembly we talked about this year's theme of **Choose Respect**—thinking about how we can show respect to others, how this links with our personal goals, and also how we can show respect to ourselves.



REMEMBRANCE ASSEMBLY



The whole-school came together at 11 o'clock on Monday to learn about poppies and Remembrance

day, and to take part in the two-minute silence. The children showed so much respect as we heard the chimes of Big Ben and watched the ceremony on the big screen. Thank you for all your support with donations for the poppy appeal—the children have enjoyed the wristbands and bracelets, and learned important messages too.



WORLD DIABETES DAY



We were so lucky to welcome Arthur's mum who came to talk to us in assembly about her diabetes for World Diabetes Day. The children heard a story about Daisy Donald, and saw all the equipment Robyn has to carry to keep her well. Thank you so much for sharing your experience with us!



HAPPY

The whole school turned yellow today as the children enjoyed raising money for Children in Need, learning that helping others makes us feel happy and proud too!



LEARNING

Our Year 1 pupils have entered a new phase of their phonics journey this half-term, as they begin Phase 5 of Little Wandle Letters and Sounds. Phase 5 teaches the children the alternative graphemes for phonemes they've already learned. We'll be holding a parents workshop covering this on **Tuesday 19th at 9.30** and again on **Monday 25th at 4.30** **replacing the cancelled session from Monday**



FEEDBACK FROM STAKEHOLDER DAY

Thank you to our parents, governors, staff and pupils who contributed to our stakeholder visit with our trust CEO Mr Mason-Ellis last Friday. Our school is safe, children feel happy in school and our learning environments are strong. Feedback from the day has been really valuable and we've started putting some changes in place too. Going forward we'll be working increasingly closer with Burnt Oak to ensure communication and messaging from both schools is the same, we have some new assembly focus topics to address some gaps we discovered in children's understanding of e-safety, and implementing some strategies to help our young pupils articulate their learning.

Plenty to keep us busy! :-)

