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Every Child A Champion In Their Own Right Matthew 5.16 – 'Let Your Light Shine'

Hi Parents...hope you're all well and in good spirits...in today's newsletter:-

1. I provide the video link to our recent Remembrance Service...a solemn, respectful occasion which parents are still contacting me about and sending in their messages of appreciation. Thank you. The singing, dance, marching, readings and laying of the wreaths touched many of our visitors.
2. One little girl visited the Animal War Memorial in London to pay her Remembrance respects...photo provided below.
3. Children in Need ...many photos to share but today I include just a couple to give you a flavour of a fantastic day enjoyed by our kids and staff.
4. TIMES TABLES...KIDS ARE GOING FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH ...another super example of a kiddie really motoring with improving her basic skills in Maths.
5. DANGER: ...E-Safety. - I enclose a message of warning from another school who have encountered another sinister aspect available on Social Media. TAKE CARE.
6. I also provide another copy of Friday's newsletter (sent out as a paper copy) to remind parents that **tomorrow (Monday 21st) IS NON UNIFORM - WEAR YOUR COLOURS DAY...The World Cup has started! COME ON ENGLAND.**




Finally, TALKING SPORT:-  congratulations to our various national Rugby League teams...the men and women team reached their semi finals before unfortunately being beaten BUT a fantastic well done to our super WHEELCHAIR TEAM who became WORLD CHAMPIONS.



Well done and hard luck also to our ladies Rugby Union team who were narrowly beaten in their

World Cup final 

But, well done also to our men's cricket team who last week became cricket World Champions in

the limited over version (20 overs). 

Hopefully all such events help to inspire our

kids to enjoy sport.

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Remembrance Service:-

Here is the link to the video:-

<https://youtu.be/jvugpSDMnnk>

Animal War Memorial:-a fantastic experience for Neve and family....

Her proud mum wrote :

Good afternoon Mr Huckstep

Today Neve represented her great grandad Terrence and her great nanna Sheila in remembrance Sunday down in London.

Neve had the privilege to stand with WW1 and WW2 veterans who shared their stories to help understand the history of the war.

...Neve remembered them by doing her 2 minutes silence before selecting the Animal War Memorial to lay her poppy to all the animals who sadly lost there life serving the men in the war.

Neve also saw the king leaving the palace today along with watching the Kings Cavalry leave Buckingham Palace down Constitution Hill.

She has had a very busy day!



Children in Need...a wonderful, caring, but fun day ...well done everyone..

The twins mum wrote:-

Hello Graham I just wanted to send you this photo I managed to take this morning of Amelia and Hope .(with support staff)...absolutely amazing day they have had xx



Another example of our kids absolutely buzzing on Children in Need day....more photos to share shortly.-

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Great work with improving times tables....another deserving 'Well done'
Super work from Charlie in Y6....

Mum wrote:-

Can I just express how happy we are with Charlie's times tables progression. We have been darting times tables at her and the speed answering is fantastic and such a delight to see.

Charlie has been on Rockstars and documenting her speed.

Massive well done to her and thanks for the support.

We're very happy with her and her efforts....

Jodie

SAFEGUARDING OUR CHILDREN:-

One of our staff has made me alert to this important message.

E-safety

Hi,
Just seen this on a local schools page and might be worth sending information out to parents.

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Police have been made aware of a mobile phone app called "Walkie-talkie", via a local primary school who have some concerns.

The app can be downloaded via the app store, and you only need a username or phone number to log in. It then allows you to talk to other people either privately (friends talking between themselves) or publicly (accessed via anyone in the world using the chat function or voice calls).

As part of their safeguarding work, the school downloaded and logged in to the app as a child would, and were asked for inappropriate private information upon entering the public chat.

The school have informed parents about the app, but have also asked for awareness of it to be raised amongst local authorities.

18th November 2022

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Hi Parents,

Christmas dates of activities/performances will be with you shortly.

Children In Need - a brilliant turn out - Lots of giggles - Discomania!! - Lots of fun.

World Cup starts this weekend. On Monday (21st) England are playing so this day will be non-uniform - Wear Your Colours Day - either England colours or whoever your favourite team may be.

School Photographs – Next Thursday 24th November

Starts from approx. 7.45 for Family Photos ... on this occasion please enter by the Small Playground Doors into the Small Hall ... again please collect your security ticket. These doors will be open at 7.40 am.

(You don't have to come early but the queue can become quite long so decide carefully!)

- Refreshments (hot drinks, toast, biscuits etc) will be on sale during this early morning family photo session.
- After family photos, children may go straight to their classroom – parents to exit by the Small Hall Doors.
- Parents are asked to please take full responsibility in looking after small children/toddlers during their wait. **All children's individual photos will be taken during the school day – class by class.**
- **At 8.30am children not part of family photos must enter school through their normal doors.**

If any parent does not wish their child to have any photo taken (class or individual) you must please inform your child's class teacher **in writing or class email** by Wednesday morning – thank you. Please Note: There is no pressure to buy a photo – the vast majority of parents go ahead with the photo and then see whether it is worth purchasing once it has been viewed.

Regards,
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