



BuB News

Doing all the good that we can

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Latest news...

- The theme for this year's Anti-bullying Week has been 'United Against Bullying' with all of the children in the school thinking about the part they can play as part of our BuB School community. This may include making sure that no one is left out when playing, celebrating differences and standing up for others. An Anti-bullying guide for parents is being sent out with this newsletter which is full of helpful advice about what to do if you feel your child is being bullied and how to talk to them about it.
- If your child is off school or decides to have a packed lunch, don't forget to cancel their school dinner on CH&CO before 9 am. Please also remember to book a dinner online before 9 am.
- This week years 5 and 6 have worked remotely with the Queen Elizabeth Grammar school as they have shared an electron microscope with us that they have on loan. The children and staff found it fascinating as they magnified flies, butterfly wings and the like up to 10,000 times. We certainly benefit from our links with the QE school and we are grateful to Dr Perkins for organising this.

Collective Worship...



We had a session on anti-bullying rather than a collective worship this week. Whenever we talk to the children about how we expect them to behave, we relate it to our school values. It is these values that make us who we are.

Rev Tim visited on Thursday which, as I always say, is a real treat for the children. He talked about responsibility within the worships that he led, he then carried out a socially distanced marriage ceremony for two teddies from the reception class. The children very much enjoyed this and I am pleased to announce the happy couple are still getting on very well!

A note from Mr Way...

I hope you are well and continuing to cope with the current lockdown restrictions. We are carrying on as normal but of course I am aware that there are a number of schools in the area that are closing bubbles. We are all desperate to stay open but if we have a positive case we may need to close a bubble if that is what the advice tells us to do. Please help us stay open by restricting your own activities outside of school and keeping to the restriction rules. Thank you.

Obviously we are moving into the Christmas season and I wanted to let you know of our plans. We have a few dates set and alongside the PTFA we are undertaking some fundraising activities. I fully accept that for some Christmas will be a financially difficult time and we really don't want to add to that. You have been incredibly generous in your donations for our recent non-uniform days and clearly you agree that in these difficult times we must remember those less fortunate than ourselves. Thank you for that.

Here are the Christmas arrangements that we know so far, all subject to change of course.

- Firstly we have taken the decision that Christmas cards will **not** be handed out in school. The reasons for this are fairly obvious given the current situation. I am sure you will understand but do appreciate the children's inevitable disappointment.
- Reception, year 1 and year 2 will each be performing a nativity story this year which will be recorded. Copies of the DVD will be given to each child in those classes and we are hoping for a donation of £3 to cover our costs and raise a few pounds for the school.
- All classes across the school will record a Christmas Carol that will be compiled onto a CD. Parents can then have a copy to brighten their own Christmas festivities, again for a suggested donation of £3.
- Every child has drawn a picture of themselves which has then been carefully added to a template to create a school tea towel. We will be selling these unique, wonderful and ideal Christmas presents for just £4! A perfect gift for all!!!
Further details of all these will be sent out in due course.
- This year we will be holding our Save the Children **Christmas Jumper Day** at the same time as everyone else which this year is on **Friday 10th December**.

- **Christmas dinner** and a day of Christmas fun will take place on **Wednesday 16th December**. The children can wear their own clothes on this day but this will not be a fund raising activity.

Finally we are collecting for Faversham Food Bank and will be running the reverse advent calendar again. Please note that there is absolutely no expectation for everyone to contribute to this, We consider our school to be a key part of the local community and will always help where possible so if you would like to contribute you can. Look out for further details to follow next week.

Mr S J Way

And finally...

Thank you for supporting Children in Need last week. We raised an amazing £336.90. We also had a surprise visit from Pudsey!

We also raised £93.38 from the sale of poppies for the Royal British Legion.



Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old

they will not turn from it Proverbs 22:6

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