

Value of the month – Respect

Dear Parents and Carers

Remembrance Day

Another busy week has just flown by with our focus being on Remembrance and our value of the month - Respect. The children have been writing prayers, making poppies, learning about the World Wars and praying. Our Year 2 Classes visited the war memorial at St Luke's at Whyteleafe and learnt about the war and the memorial and the war graves. They said prayers for those who lost their lives in the world wars and for those who have lost lives in more recent conflicts. At 11am those of us in school came to the hall and observed a two minute silence.



Odd Sock Day and World Kindness Day – Anti-Bullying Week

Odd Socks day will take place on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week, **Monday 13th November** to help raise awareness of bullying. It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! To take part, all children need to do is wear their uniform as usual, but with odd socks to school, it couldn't be simpler!



Parliament Week

Thank you to the Staff and especially Mrs Jackson for helping to arrange a wonderful 'Parliament Week' this week. The week ended with a visit from our local MP Claire Coutinho who met with Years 4 to Year 6 for a discussion on her role as an MP and the work of the Houses of Parliament and to take a question and answer session. The children's questions were very thoughtful and challenging – we may have some future budding MPs in school! Thank you to Ms Coutinho for giving up her time to visit and talk to the children – it was most appreciated. **Ms Coutinho has invited the children to take part in her annual Christmas Card Competition. Entries for the competition should be A4 portrait sized and have the child's full name, age and school on the back.** They should be sent to Claire Coutinho MP, House of Commons London SW1A 0AA. If they win, they get to have a trip to the Palace of Westminster and tea and cake in the Palace. The Christmas cards are sent to people across the constituency and to the Prime Minister.

Red Wednesday

On **Wednesday 25th November 2023**, ALL pupils (and staff) are asked to come to school dressed in their uniform, but with an item of clothing or accessory that is red for world-wide Red Wednesday. Red Wednesday is a day to gather together to draw attention to the plight of those who are persecuted and oppressed for their religious beliefs.

Celebration Assembly

Well done to all those certificate winners This week.



Best wishes,
Mrs Wheeler and Staff



Calendar Dates

13 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
14 th November	Year 6 -Tower of London Trip
15 th November	Year 6 Height & Weight
20 th November	Road Safety Week
22 nd November	Red Wednesday (wear an item of clothing)
30 th November	Whole School Panto
1 st December	Beginning of Advent
3 rd December	Cedar Tree Carols- 5pm
5 th December	Reception Christmas Performance @ 9.30am
6 th December	YR 1 & YR 2 Christmas Performance @9.30am Reception Christmas Performance @ 1.45pm
7 th December	YR 1 & YR 2 Christmas Performance @9.30am
8 th December	Junior Carol Service @ 9.30am
12 th December	KS1 Christmas Lunch with Christmas Jumper and Father Christmas Visit!
13 th December	KS2 Christmas Lunch with Christmas Jumper
15 th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays @1pm
2 nd January 2024	School Re-opens @9am

Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Fair

**Sunday 19th November 2023,
10:00AM – 2:00PM**
Sacred Heart Parish, Centenary Hall,
Essendene Road, Caterham
CR3 5PA.

Come and join the festive spirit. We will have Father Christmas, Toys, Cakes, Gifts, Beauty, a Grand Draw, Snacks, Teas & Coffees, Tombolas, Arts & Crafts, Mulled Wine and much more! All proceeds will be shared between several charities including, Dial-a-Ride, SVP (support for local needs) and CHECK (educating children in Kimilili in Kenya) Admission is Free!

Christmas Fair

Sunday 19th November
10am - 2pm Centenary Hall
Essendene Rd
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Home produce **Grand Draw**
Art & Craft **Bottle Stall**
Snacks **Beauty**
Many other attractions! **Father Christmas**

Beneficiaries:
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