



St. Mary's CE Primary School, Welham Green

# NEWSLETTER

## FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As we continue to focus on our half termly value of Peace, there have been two important things this week that have highlighted that value. The first was on Monday morning with our

Remembrance commemoration and two minutes of silence at 11am, when the staff and pupils gathered together in the school hall to remember those who have lost their lives in the service of their country. Remembrance commemorations took place across the country last weekend and on Monday and it is important to remember that there are two aspects to those commemorations and that is, firstly, to remember those conflicts of the past and the sacrifices made, but also to commit to supporting a more peaceful world in the future.

This week we have also marked Anti-Bullying Week. We had our Odd Socks Day on Wednesday which celebrated our uniqueness and individuality and the children also designed odd socks which have been displayed. Miss Garip led our Collective Worship yesterday morning for Anti-Bullying Week where she looked at how individuals can resolve conflicts with others and how we can all look for peaceful solutions to problems or disagreements with others. Today we have marked Children in Need with pupils wearing yellow tops or accessories and bringing a donation which we will send on to Children in Need.

We had another football fixture at home on Tuesday afternoon against The Ryde School where our team played well and we drew. Last week we also attended a netball tournament at Stanborough School where the children did really well.

Next Friday, after school at 3.30pm, we are having our termly Arts Afternoon where any children that want to demonstrate a talent are invited to perform and parents are welcome to attend to see the children perform.

Behaviour and attendance have been positive this week, although the attendance hasn't been quite as good as last week - let's aim higher next week!

As I reflect on how behaviour has improved over the last few months and how much calmer it is as a learning and playing environment, I am reminded of the Eleanor Roosevelt quote: *"It isn't enough to talk about peace. One must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it. One must work at it."*

Have a good weekend.

**Adrian Petty**

**Headteacher**

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*Flourish for the future*

Our value this half term is:

# Peace

**"Peace is what I leave with you; it is my own peace that I give you. I do not give it as the world does. Do not be worried and upset; do not be afraid."**

**John 14:27**

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# HOUSEPOINTS



I am pleased to report that House Points this week were as follows:

**219**

**179**

**171**

**181**



**Well done Badgers!**

**396**

**369**

**326**

**330**

## STARS OF THE WEEK

The following children were nominated and joined Mr Petty on the Star Table at lunchtime today.

**Reception - Annalise**

**Year 1 - Ellie**

**Year 2 - Naveen**

**Year 3 - Cristiano**

**Year 4 - James**

**Year 5 - David**

**Year 6 - Leo**

**Congratulations to all these children.**

## ATTENDANCE STARS

**Elizabeth**

**97.7%**



**Luther King**

**97%**



**Curie**

**94.7%**



**Mandela**

**94.3%**



# SCHOOL DIARY



Date	Event
Wednesday 20th November	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 22nd November	Arts Afternoon—3:30pm
Friday 29th November	Own clothes day—£1 donation
Friday 29th November	PTA meeting—2:45pm
Monday 2nd December	Carol Singing Hatfield Asda—3:30pm
Thursday 5th December	Teddy Bears Concert 2pm
Friday 6th December	PTA Christmas Fayre Elfridges (In School—Children only)
Thursday 12th December	Reception Christmas Nativity 2pm
Friday 13th December	Rock Steady Concert
Friday 13th December	PTA Cake Sale 2:30pm
Tuesday 17th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 10am and 2pm
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch Day
Thursday 19th December	Carol Service - 10am St Mary's Church
Thursday 19th December	Term ends - 1:45pm
Friday 20th December	Occasional Day - School Closed
Monday 6th January 2025	Term Starts - 8:40am
17th - 21st February	Half Term
Friday 4th April	Term ends - 1:45pm

## CLASS PE DAYS

<b>Elizabeth - Year 1</b>	Tuesdays & Fridays
<b>Curie - Year 2</b>	Wednesdays & Thursdays
<b>Hawking - Year 3</b>	Mondays & Thursdays
<b>Mandela - Year 4</b>	Tuesdays & Thursdays
<b>Attenborough - Year 5</b>	Mondays & Wednesdays
<b>Luther King - Year 6</b>	Mondays & Fridays

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We are a welcoming Christian community where every child has the chance to flourish.

We bring and share joy, inspire daily and creatively equip children for the future.

We're thankful for all that God has provided; proud of where He has placed us; and excited at the potential to come.

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The St Francis of Assisi Award for

# Peace



*"Overflowing with thankfulness,  
Inspiration and joy"*

The peace that Christ gives is to guide you in the decisions you make; for it is to this peace that God has called you together in the one body. (Colossians 3:15)

## Prayer of the Week

Dear Father, thank you for the fun and noise of games, radio and TV, family and school. But thank you, too, for quietness. Thank you for quiet woods, a quiet church, and the quiet of my bed at night. Thank you that I can talk to you best in the quiet.

Amen

## Reception - Donaldson

This week in Donaldson class, in Maths, we have been continuing learning one more and one less of an object. Then working with our partners to test our mathematical knowledge of what they have just learnt. In English we have been continuing reading the book called 'Look Up!'. All children were able to draw a picture of what they think space looks like and then we discussed as a class what kind of weather it would be in space. In PE this term we are learning dance. All the children have really enjoyed dancing to music and making up different dance moves with their partners. In RE we have been practising our Christmas nativity play and learning the songs. Lastly, the children have been practising how to use scissors and being able to cut pictures out. Keep up the good work Donaldson class!



## Year 1 - Elizabeth

In Elizabeth Class this week, we have been so excited to have Attendance Ted in our class. The children were delighted to receive the attendance award last week and have had brilliant fun taking Ted out to play and letting him join in our lessons. Keep up the brilliant attendance Year 1!

In English, we have carried on our reading of the book, 'Billy and the Beast'. We were able to identify verbs in the story and looked at how adding an -ed suffix to regular verbs shows us that they happened in the past. In maths, we have been introduced to subtraction and have used the 'minus' symbol to write number sentences to solve problems. In DT, we are learning about healthy eating and will be making a fruit salad at the end of the half-term. Until then we will be learning different cooking skills and on Thursday, the children learned how to peel and enjoyed eating the carrots afterwards! Well done on an excellent week of learning, Year 1.



## Year 2 - Curie

In Maths, the class have been learning to add 2-digit numbers (across a ten) using base 10. They were practising how to exchange in base 10 e.g. 16 ones = 1 ten and 6 ones when calculating the answer. Well done for persevering with this.

In English, we are continuing with Jim and the Beanstalk. The class have been learning how to identify and sequence the key events of the story. They were brilliant discussing the story events with their partners and tasked with completing a grid that showed what they liked, disliked, had a question about and how they connected with the story. We have just finished creating a story map using four pictures from the story and will be practising how to re-tell the story from it.

In Geography, we have been learning about the hot and cold climates in the different Continents. We have discussed these referencing the Northern and Southern hemispheres. The children had fun colour coding the continents climates using the codes: tropical, warm, temperate, and cold. Fantastic effort Curie class.



## Year 3 - Hawking

We have been learning about the Stone Age in English with people helping us kindly.

In RE, we have been learning about the Covenant with Miss Garip our great teacher who helps us if we get something wrong. Miss Garip gives us jobs and we all like having jobs and that it teaches us to be respectful and responsible.

Sometimes we do DEAR time which is where we get a book and sit and read and be very quiet. DEAR time stands for 'Drop Everything And Read' time.

In PE we do football with our amazing PE teacher Mr Kilpatrick and sometimes we do it with Miss Garip who is amazing too.

When we do our work, we edit it in green pen like mathematicians.

This week was Anti-Bullying week and on Wednesday we wore odd socks to show that we are all different. And today we are wearing yellow and Pudsey bears for Children in Need.

*This week's Newsletter is written by Leandro*



## Year 4 - Mandela

We have had a creative week in Mandela class. We started the week by design and then making flying machines linked to our class book 'FARThER'. We then wrote a set of instructions using imperative verbs, telling the reader how to use them. We have also started our new design and technology unit 'seasonal foods'. This week we made cupcakes using ingredients which are available all year round. In PE, we have started using the skills we have learnt to play matches.



## Year 5 - Attenborough

This week we have been learning about Fractions in Maths, we shaded boxes to show the fractions.

In whole class leading we have been reading an outstanding book called Cogheart.

In English we have been learning about Hidden Figures and the NACA and NASA.

We have been making diaries.

In mini Police we have been learning about the dangers of drugs and vapes.

*By Sheyni and Olivia-May*



## Year 6 - Luther King

This week in Year 6 we have been learning a lot. Monday, we celebrated Remembrance day and took part in a 2 minute silence to remember everyone that lost their lives fighting for their country. Wednesday, we celebrated Anti-Bullying day by all coming into school wearing odd socks to show that we are all different. Today, we are celebrating Children in Need and we have come in something yellow or spotty in exchange for a donation. We have also been learning about the Battle of Britain in history which we all really enjoy.

*Oliver Wing & Oliver Wood*



## Anti-Bullying Week

Odd Socks Day 2024 took place on Wednesday 13th November. This year St Mary's School celebrated Anti-Bullying week with the theme 'Choose Respect' with a collective worship led by Michelle, Maita, Maria, Hallie, Nancy, Maisie and Taylor. Thank you to all who took part and supported our fight against bullying. Odd Socks Day is delivered in partnership with CBeebies and CBBC star Andy Day and band, Andy and the Odd Socks.



Today we raised £69  
for children in need!





## Remembrance Day



### PTA

The PTA are meeting in the school on Friday 29th November at 2:15pm. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend.

Raffle tickets have been sent home for our 12 days of Christmas Raffle event, they need to be returned by Friday 29th November.

The draw will be made on the first 12 school days of December. Winners will be contacted each day.

## Twelve days of Christmas Raffle



On the 1st day of Christmas, you could win the Teachers Hamper

On the 2nd day of Christmas, you could win the Toy Hamper

On the 3rd day of Christmas, you could win the Sweet Treats Hamper

On the 4th day of Christmas, you could win the Drinks Hamper

On the 5th day of Christmas, you could win the Christmas Eve Hamper

On the 6th day of Christmas, you could win the Christmas gifts hamper

On the 7th day of Christmas, you could win the Pamper hamper

On the 8th day of Christmas, you could win the Christmas Food hamper

On the 9th day of Christmas, you could win the Days out hamper

On the 10th day of Christmas, you could win the Board game hamper

On the 11th day of Christmas, you could win the Christmas Medley hamper

On the 12th day of Christmas, you could win the Cash Prize



Organised by St Mary's Welham Green

Tickets to be returned to the school by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

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**Venue**

**Elm Court Youth & Community Centre  
363 Mutton Lane  
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# Craft Workshop

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**  
**10.00am – 4.00pm**  
**St Mary's Church**  
**North Mymms**  
**AL9 7TN**



Come along for an enjoyable day trying your hand at a wide range of crafts.

Suitable for all ages.

Projects include, stone painting, decorative picture frames, brooch making and a trinket pot. There will also be craft and produce stalls and refreshments available all day.

Tickets £7.00 (refreshments not included)

