



Newsletter
15th November 2019



Dear Parents,

Pyjama Day produced great excitement today as children raised money for Children in Need. It was wonderful to see so many soft Teddies and animals have an outing too. I hope they enjoyed their day. Thank you to our Chaplaincy Team who came up with the idea to support the living out of our Mission Statement.



Left, our Chaplaincy Team are already making a big difference. Thank you for organising today's Pyjama day and for raising, on our first count, £299.35 this morning. The class who made the most will



be announced on Monday. Pyjama day was the perfect end to our **Feeling Good and Anti-Bullying week**. Children have been



renewing our ever-present bucket filling initiative and we have been working on our understanding of this year's anti-bullying theme **Change Starts with Us**. We can make a small change that makes a big



difference in how we treat each other. There have been some wonderful examples in school this week.

I would also like to mention our **Tree of Remembrance** that we have been adding to over the last couple of weeks – celebrating the lives of those who are no longer with us and remembering them in our thoughts and prayers makes a big difference and brings comfort. They are with us in our daily prayers.



Sports News

There will be no Year 6 Football Club this Monday as there is a Year 6 Boys' football match on Monday at home to Kings Langley.

The Year 6 Girls football team have their next League game at home to Potten End on Thursday (21st Nov).

Our netball team needed to call on all their resilience to contend with Grove Road's netball team (they also play outside of school as Tring Tornadoes). In our new team's first league match they lost 16-1 away. Our coach Mrs McDonnell praised the team who she said produced their best netball in the last two quarters. They did not panic against such stiff opposition and started to contain them. Mr Collingwood added: "They came up against a team who looked almost professional. We held our nerve and believe we will be stronger from the experience."

Merit Certificates

Well done to the following children who have been selected by their class teacher:

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| 3Anning | Catherine Byrne | Excellent presentation and effort in class. Her setting description was very good and used interesting vocabulary. |
| 3Nightingale | Piotr Czarniawski | Always focussed and trying his best. He is making a huge effort with his presentation and is a great friend to the class. |
| 4Jemison | Luke Daniels | A fantastic effort to build on his learning behaviour since September. Super listening in lessons and organisation. |
| 4Attenborough | Eliza Gavin | For always trying her very best in all she does, always with a smile. She has an excellent attitude. |
| 5Mandela | Maxime Lehuby | For producing a fantastic setting description of a scene from the Blitz where he included lots of ambitious vocabulary. |
| 5Einstein | Jadon Nanganuri | For his sportsmanship, tactics and fair play in the rugby tournament and for his contribution to class. |
| 6Johnson | Alfie Blackman | For giving 100 per cent in his work recently and for making Mrs Bance feel very welcome. |
| 6Martin Luther King | Joshua Moody | For embracing challenge – especially in our class reading challenge. |

Juno Cowman-Daly was last week's winner of the French certificate.

Headteacher Awards

Freya Rajendram (3N) – for a wonderful poster of her class

Casey Woodstock (6MLK) – for some excellent creative writing entitled “Thieving Tom”. Great ideas, well written and presented.

Citizenship Stars

Adam (3A) and Erin Bowers (5M) – For supporting the wider community. Erin and Adam were thrilled that two photos featuring their ramble group were shown on BBC One on Countryfile on Sunday 27 October - in the programme all about the Children in Need ramble. Also during half-term Erin & Adam went to London to help raise awareness of a conservation fundraising campaign that ZSL are running - #ForPeopleForWildlife. They attended a pop-up exhibition in Carnaby Street - its aim to promote conservation work in Nepal and to raise more money to expand this work to Kenya.

Henryk Kapitkowski (3A) – for showing consideration to others and producing wonderful Remembrance homework.

Casey Woodstock (6MLK) – for helping out a pupil who was upset and reacting so positively to help him.

Jadon Nanganuri (5E) – for Fund raising for schools in India and Uganda at his local church.

Tech Club

This new club starts this Monday and runs for five weeks. We have had a tremendous response and so the organisers are putting on two classes (at the same time). Children will be picked up from the upper playground (gates to the car park will be open).

Open Evening

We are holding our Open Evening (6pm- 7.30pm) for pupils who wish to join Year 3 in September 2020. All Year 6s are asked to return their consent forms to act as guides on the night. Year 5 Orchestra members have kindly agreed to play during the evening and other children have been requested to help on the evening. Thank you for supporting the school in this way.

Book Fair

We are looking forward to having The Travelling Books Fair return to our school next week. We appreciate your regular support at this annual event. Last year, you helped St Cuthbert Mayne raise over £700 worth of vouchers by supporting the Book Fair, which is just incredible!

This money has been used to restock many of the reading book bands which Y3 and Y4 primarily use. In addition, sets of class books to support the children's writing were bought, such as Letters from The Lighthouse and some dyslexia-friendly books were purchased.

We would like to continue to use a variety of children's literature to support your children's reading and writing. Supporting our Book Fair is a fantastic way to do so, which we very much appreciate.

Please take a look in the leaflet your child has brought home today and come along with your children from Thursday 21-27th November to browse the range of books.

Caretaker

We are looking for a new caretaker. If you are interested in this post, or know someone who might be interested, please contact the school office for more details.

Reminders

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| Mon Nov 18 | No football club. SCM v Kings Langley match |
| Mon Nov 18 | Tech Club starts |
| Tues Nov 19 | Yr 5 to Gym and Dance at JFK |
| Wed Nov 20 | Open Evening for prospective Sept 2020 Year 3 pupils. |
| Thurs & Fri | Book Fair (and Mon-Wed the following week) |
| Thurs 21 st | Girls Football Match v Potten End |

Have a "feeling good" weekend

Best wishes

Mrs Smith
Head Teacher