



# Newsletter 10

14<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents

## **School Trips and Activities**

Our Year 1 and Year 2 pupils had a wonderful time at Chatham Dockyard last week. The volunteers at the Dockyard who escorted the classes commented on the excellent behaviour and enthusiasm of the children and we congratulate them for representing our school so favourably.

Our Year R children had their Pirate Activity Day in school on Friday. They enjoyed lots of fun activities in their classrooms and took part in a drama workshop delivered by Perform for Schools. It was lovely to see all of the different pirate costumes and home made outfits.

## **Children In Need**

Don't forget to wear something bright, spotty, striped or mismatched to school on Friday in support of Children In Need. There will be a donation bucket in the playground before and after school for donations to the charity.



## **A Good Start in Life (Early Years)**

The Medway Early Years Partnership Forum is launching an information campaign called Grow Through Play for parents and carers of 2-4 year olds living in Medway, with simple and fun activities to do to build children's language and social skills and help prepare them for school.

Further information can be found by following their social media posts at

<https://www.facebook.com/abettermedway/>  
and looking out for the hashtag  
#growthroughplay

## **Anti-Bullying Week**

This week is Anti – Bullying Week and the theme this year is: Reach Out.



As a school we have marked the start with Odd Socks Day! It is designed to be fun and an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

Throughout the week, the children will be taking part in PSHE lessons focusing on kindness and anti-bullying. The children will be role playing/acting out how they are kind and what they would do if they saw someone being unkind. We will be thinking about how we can help if someone is being bullied and the people we can talk to for help. The children will be thinking about how they can reach out to others and creating their own unique handprint.

## **Christmas Jumper Day**

Children may wear their own clothes to school along with a Christmas jumper on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December in support of Save the Children. There will be a donation bucket on the

playground before and after school for donations to the charity.



### **Travelling Book Fair**

The Travelling Book Fair will be visiting us in school soon and the children will be able to purchase books from the fair. Further information and dates will be provided shortly.



### **Christmas Performances**

The children will soon start rehearsals for their Christmas performances, which we are sure you will want to come along to see. Please remember that the morning performances are for adults only and the afternoon performances are for adults with younger family members.



### **Coronation Bank Holiday**

An early notice that school will be closed to staff and pupils for the extra Bank Holiday on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 in honour of the King's Coronation.

### **Top Attenders**

Congratulations to Owl Class and Robin Class who were our joint top attenders last week with 98% of pupils attending school every day. Well done to both classes!



### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
Children in Need Day

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
One Picture Exhibition

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
Year 2 Christmas Performances

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
Year 1 Christmas Performances

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
Year R Christmas Performances

Last Day of Term 2  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Regards.

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