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Newsletter

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Westminster

This morning we held a special assembly for all children in year 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6. In the assembly we spent a bit of time reflecting on the tragedy that happened in London on Wednesday. As per the letter we sent out to the children from Year's 2-6 yesterday, we focussed on being saddened for the innocent people who lost their lives and their families, celebrating and being thankful for our own lives and the importance of respecting each other and different beliefs we may hold. Caring for ourselves and one another is one of the school's core values and it is vital that we continue to embed the importance of valuing each other and treating people as we would want to be treated ourselves. We also spent a little bit of time thinking about how lucky we are to have people like the police, teachers, nurses etc who are there to protect us. Our assembly finished with a one minute silence where we thought about the above things. Finally we encouraged the children to talk to an adult if they had any questions or there was anything they were worried about.

PLEASE LOOK AT OUR TWITTER FEED ACCESSIBLE FROM THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR A VERY USEFUL SUMMARY

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D. Hull

Assembly Theme for next week: I Stay Calm in Difficult Situations.

Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat

As per the letter that we sent out this week can parents please remember that pre school children and babies MUST NOT be brought to our evening productions. Parents who do bring pre-school children will not be allowed to watch the production.

Diary Dates

Saturday 25th March. Colchester United v Luton. KO 3.00p.m.

Tuesday 28th March @ 6.00p.m. Wednesday 29th March @ 2.00p.m. & 6.00p.m. Year 4 Production. Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat.

Monday 3rd April—Monday 17th April. Easter Holiday.

Tuesday 18th April—First day of Summer Term.

Tuesday 18th April—Friday 21st April. Easter Egg Comp-egg-tition. Both sites. (Letter will come out next week)

Monday 1st May—Bank Holiday Monday. The school is closed.

Tuesday 2nd May—Friday 5th May—Year 4 Residential to Danbury.

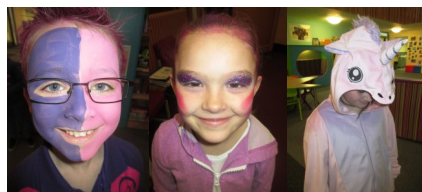
PLEASE LOOK ON THE CALENDAR OF THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR OTHER DATES/EVENTS THIS TERM AND NEXT.

School Fundraisers

We are very proud of the efforts that Stanley Piper, Lola and Lucy Folkard have made recently in raising funds for local charity St Helena Hospice. All 3 children ran the Comic Superhero run at Castle Park last Sunday. Stanley raised £60. Since 2013 Lola has been fundraising for the Hospice through various events including garage sales, so far over £350 has been donated, with her younger sister Lucy now joining in.

All Things Purple

A sea of purple washed over the school today as we all donned our purple garb to raise money for the 'End Polio Now' campaign as supported by the Rotary Club. Sadly our crocuses have not quite bloomed this year, possibly due to the fact that we planted them a tad late, so we'll have to wait until next year to enjoy them. A truly fantastic purple effort from our children, which has raised the grand sum of £424 in support of the campaign.



Awards

Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Jessica Stephens

Year 5 (Oysters) — Amanda Dugdale

Year 4 (Castle) - Fern Fleming

Year 4 (Cavalier) - Zara Gibson

Year 3 (Dutch) - Noah Cahill

Year 3 (Iceni) - Harvey Feasey & Thomas McFadden

Year 2 (Mercury) - Leland Freeman

Year 2 (Claudius) - Eowyn Chambers

Year 2 (Romans) - Sidney Cording

Year 1 (Eagles) - Kayleigh Lane

Year 1 (Circus) - Annabelle Holcombe

Year 1 (Roses) - Fraser Rumble

Foundation (Chariot) - Kenzie Betts

Foundation (Star) - Olivia Keyes

Foundation (Jumbo) - Chanel McPherson

Attendance — Castle

Dodge Ball

Each school team competed against each other in classes/year groups this week in the hope of being crowned dodge ball champions 2017. Competition was fierce as the children jumped, span, dodged and threw across both the school sites.

Sadly there can only ever be one winner. The results:

1st Colne

2nd Siege

3rd= Abbey/Temple

5th—Priory



There is a plethora of sponsor money that falls to you now as parents/children that needs collecting in. No pressure, but if we could possibly have this handed in by next Thursday, to either school office it would be very much appreciated.

A Parents Role is to Parent. It is not to allow social media to do that for you!

I DIDN'T KNOW

This week, children in Year's 4, 5 & 6 have been having daily lessons to support their understanding of child sexual exploitation. These lessons have included:

- Relationships
- Online Safety
- Talking about Feelings
- I Didn't Know' Pledge

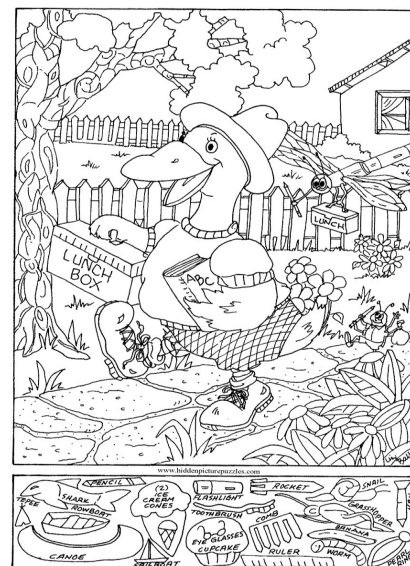
There is lots of information on the school website in the On-line safety link.

The media will often tell you that your children are at risk from a man in a white van. I can categorically state that your children are more at risk from what they see or do on-line.

Recent 'Safer Internet Week' statistics state that: 70% of 8-17 year olds had seen images not suitable for them!

On the school website, in Online Safety please read 'Power of Image'. More importantly, please do not let your children have access to the internet, including social media sites unless they are in the room with you.

Hidden Picture Challenge



A slightly different challenge for the next few weeks.

As always, Answers on Miss Salmon's door if you are at Abbey site and on Mr Green's door if you are at Town site.

Congratulations to Patrick Shields, who has just been elected as a Parent Governor at the school.



And Finally,

Last week our Foundation children were baking bread. I may have inadvertently spread some of the flour on a few members of staff, who didn't move quickly enough—flour is after all a natural beauty product! That aside, when I returned to my office later that day, the foundation team had very kindly adorned my desk/drawers and any other surface they could find with bread rolls—13 to be precise! I'm still finding them this week!

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings