



# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Autumn has definitely arrived and our school grounds are becoming blanketed with leaves. How lucky we are to be in such a beautiful setting! The children are delighting in finding conkers and acorns, and hedgehog habitats have been constructed. The October half term holiday is almost here and I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable break. I am off to Menorca and am looking forward to some sun. School reopens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November and the children should return in full winter uniform please.

### October - The month of the Rosary

Year 3 led a wonderful assembly about the Holy Rosary and our key stage assemblies have focused on the Mysteries of the Rosary. We have used Rosary beads to help focus our minds when praying. We pray to Our Lady throughout the month of October.



### Harvest Charity Collection and Assembly

Thank you for your generous donations so far for the Women's Refuge, our chosen charity this harvest. We will continue to collect until next Friday, when we will transport your donations to the Refuge. Assembly is at 2.45pm as usual and all are very welcome.



### PTA

We met last week and had a productive meeting. Thanks to all who attended and helped us to plan the following events:

**Week Commencing 14 October** - Cake sale all week. Please send in cake donations on Monday and your child can bring 50p each day to buy themselves a cake at playtime.

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November** - 6.30pm Quiz night and pyjama film night. There will be a quiz in the hall for adults and the children can come in pyjamas to have a film night with hot chocolate and popcorn.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November** - Saturday Special. Childcare 8-4 in school to help parents with shopping for the Christmas season.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Jumper day and Christmas Disco with DJ Grillo and some stalls for parents.

Christmas Raffle - donations instead of money for own clothes and Christmas jumper day.

### Winter Uniform (November until Easter)

#### Girls

Tartan pleated skirt  
 White long-sleeved blouse with Katie collar  
 Tartan bow  
 Navy V-neck cardigan trimmed with royal blue  
 Navy knee socks or tights  
 Navy blazer trimmed with royal blue braid  
 Navy outdoor coat (only available from Grays)  
 Black shoes, not boots

#### Boys

White long-sleeved shirt  
 Grey shorts (from Grays)  
 School tie  
 Navy V-neck jumper trimmed with royal blue  
 Grey knee socks with navy stripe  
 Navy blazer trimmed with royal blue braid  
 Navy outdoor coat (only available from Grays)  
 Black shoes

#### Pre-school

Pre-School cardigan (girls),  
 Pre-School jumper (boys),  
 Pre-School polo t-shirt,  
 School skirt (girls)  
 School shorts (boys)  
 Pre-School P E shorts (boys and girls different)  
 Navy plain socks or tights  
 Navy or black shoes,  
 Pumps,  
 Wellingtons  
 Own Coat can be worn.

**Mrs Hannah's Spanish - Los colores.** This week we have been studying the colours in Spanish. We have been playing games and singing songs to help us remember what they are. Here are the colours: blanco = white negro = black rojo = red gris = grey

naranja = orange azul = blue rosa = pink verde = green

amarillo = yellow malva = purple marrón = Brown

**This song is sung to the tune of Frere Jacques!**

Blanco, negro, blanco, negro, naranja, naranja.

Verde, amarillo, verde, amarillo. Gris, azul, gris, azul



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<p><b><u>National Poetry Day</u></b> Rhyme, alliteration and couplets were the order of the day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Poems appeared overnight in strange places and the children enjoyed poetry activities in class. Our celebration of all things poetical came in Friday's assembly when each class presented their learning. T was marvellous!</p>			
<p><b><u>Stone Age day in Y3</u></b> History Alive visited our Year 3 classroom this week and they all went back in time to the Pre-historic era. Fur and animal skins were out in abundance and the children handled artefacts relevant to the period. It was great fun!</p>			
<p><b><u>Reading Championship</u></b> Mrs Haasbroek has written home to you all about our new reading competition which starts when we return from the half term break. Each class will be competing to win a non-uniform day per term. Happy reading!</p>			
<p><b><u>Dates for the diary:</u></b> <b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b> - EYFS stay and play coffee morning Parents of EYFS children are invited and if you know anyone who is interested in a place at our school for their child, then please pass this on to them. <b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b>- Remembrance Assembly - with the British Legion and Mayoress. All welcome. <b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b> - School Open Day - Please share the date with friends and acquaintances who may be looking for a school for their children.</p>			
<p><b><u>EYFS News</u></b> Thank you to all the parents who attended the Pre-school and Reception phonics workshop, on Wednesday evening. It was a great turn out and we hope you all benefited from the information given. Thank you to the parents who have donated items since the last newsletter. We are always on the lookout for old fashioned, antique home items! We are currently trying to make an extra room in our home corner. If any parents have old children's clothes we would love these for our 'wardrobe' and an un-used toddler bed. Pre-School and Reception are enjoying the changes in the season, well apart from the rain! We have been on a conker and acorn hunt. Next week will be going on a leaf hunt and making leaf collages. If you go on any 'Autumn Walks' during the half term please collect some conkers for us!</p>			
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SPORTS NEWS</u></b></p>			
<p><b><u>Tri Golf</u></b> Some of the children in Year 3 competed in our first ever Tri Golf sporting event. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and demonstrated some new found golf skills.</p>		<p><b><u>Sports 4 All</u></b> Scarlett, Musta, Sohan and Eesa represented school at Sports for All festival. They participated in events such as archery, sprints, relay, throwing and catching. They were credit to the school their appearance was complimented.</p>	
<p><b><u>Table Tennis</u></b> A huge congratulations to our former pupil Noah Marshall who has been chosen for the Lancashire U15's table tennis team! This is a fantastic achievement and we are proud of the passion and determination he shows towards his sport! Well done Noah!</p>	<p><b><u>Get Caught Running</u></b> Over October half-term we are introducing a new competition which was suggested by our Bronze Ambassadors. The competition is to 'Get caught running' during half term and bring a photo in as evidence. The first week back at school everyone who participates will receive a prize and their photo will be displayed on the PE notice board. So get involved and 'Get Caught Running.'</p>		