



Winkfield St Mary's C of E Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 12th November 2021



'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10

Dear parents,

I'm pleased that we have had a quieter week in terms of sickness – staff or children! On Tuesday we had our Autumn visit with our school adviser, who spent time with Mrs Territt (maths lead) and Mrs Alley-Mohindra (writing lead). It was really good to reflect that although the term has been a testing one, we have made good progress with the children's learning. It was so nice to be talking about the children, quality teaching and to recognise our middle leaders.

Next week is Antibullying week and classes will be taking this opportunity to focus on this important area. The theme this year is 'One Kind Word'; you can watch the Anti Bullying Alliance video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oJQg2JyQ3mM> One Kind thing we can do for each other, is to be aware of where we are congregating on the school site and in the car park. Please be kind to others and leave space for them to pass. Remember that we are still operating under Enhanced Covid measures and large groups are not to be encouraged.

I hope to have our Harvest Video finished soon and ready to go out, now that the teachers who have been off have been able to complete their class's contribution. The collection on our non-uniform day raised £122 Which will be sent to the Foodbank. Do remember and think about placing items in the foodbank baskets at the supermarket if you can, in the lead up to Christmas.

Nativity and KS2 Carols

Staff sickness and Covid measures have really had an impact this term, as you can see by the delayed Harvest Video. We sadly have to recognise this and consider the impact on learning and workload in trying to continue recreating what has been done before. So we have thought outside the box, and are very, very excited to be planning something slightly different for this Christmas. This will be... (drum roll!) a Whole School e-Advent calendar! All classes will be involved, Y2 will have a special Nativity role as usual, there will be some singing, acting and presentation. Watch this space!

Are you a keen singer in Y4, 5 or 6? You have the opportunity of being a part of the 'Music and Merriment Christmas Concert' on 4/12/21 at St Mary's church. This is always a wonderful, festive event – all you have to do is apply for the choir via this link: <https://fosmw.com/junior-choir-application.pdf>

J. Evans

Miss J Evans
Headteacher

THE ONE KIND WORD CALL TO ACTION

Ask if someone's OK. Say you're sorry.
Just say hey.

In a world that can sometimes feel like it's filled with negativity, one kind word can provide a moment of hope. It can be a turning point. It can change someone's perspective. It can change their day. It can change the course of a conversation and break the cycle of bullying.

Best of all, one kind word leads to another. Kindness fuels kindness. So from the playground to Parliament, and from our phones to our homes, together, our actions can fire a chain reaction that powers positivity. It starts with one kind word. It starts today.

**ONE
KIND
WORD**

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PTA Christmas Cards Orders

Please can orders come back into school (in the envelope) with the correct payment by the end of next week-19th November. Cash is acceptable as payment and any cheques should be made payable to WSM PTA.

Star of the Week

Reception	Erica
Year 1	Harriet
Year 2	Heidi
Year 3	Asha
Year 4	Sophia
Year 5	Videlle
Year 6	Whole Class

Orator of the Week

Reception	Yeheli
Year 1	Lily
Year 2	Jack
Year 3	Koby
Year 4	Abi
Year 5	Ava
Year 6	Rowan

Diary Dates

2021-2022

Monday 15th November VR Day for years 2-6

Monday 22nd November Flu Immunisations

Friday 3rd December Year 1 & 2 to Panto

Tuesday 14th December Reception Trip

Thursday 16th December AUTUMN TERM ENDS

Friday 17th December School Closed for Diamond Jubilee Bank Holiday

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Tuesday 4th January Inset Day — School closed

Wednesday 5th January SPRING TERM STARTS

Monday 14th—Friday 18th February HALF TERM

Wednesday 23rd February Bag 2 School Collection

Friday 1st April SPRING TERM ENDS

Tuesday 19th April SUMMER TERM STARTS

Monday 2nd May Early May Bank Holiday

Friday 27th May Inset Day — School closed

Monday 30th May—Friday 3rd June HALF TERM

Monday 6th June Inset Day — School closed

Wednesday 8th June Bag 2 School Collection

Friday 22nd July SUMMER TERM ENDS