

Our focus for this week has been REMEMBRANCE. On Wednesday we remembered all those who serve in the Armed Forces, both now and in the past. Those who have given their lives to keep us

safe and those who have returned injured or scarred but who have our prayers and thanks for their duty.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Poppy Appeal and the important work that the Royal British Legion do.

Year 6 visited the war memorial at Landican to lay the special poppies they had made and observe their minute of silence.



They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning
We will remember them.



CHILDREN IN NEED - Thank you for supporting 'Children in Need' today. The children looked fabulous... bright, colourful and spotty!!!! We have sold lots of wrist bands and all money raised will be sent to Children In Need and used to support lots of worthy causes. Check out all our bright and colourful children on our Twitter Feed.



It has been an incredibly busy week in school which began on Monday with Year 6 and Year 4 enjoying our Forest Area.

Year 6 linked their outdoor work with their World War I History Topic and imagined experiencing 'life in the trenches'.

Year 4 had a fabulous time learning outdoor survival skills. We are incredibly lucky to have this wonderful outdoor learning area for the children to experience.



Year 2 have been learning all about France this week and created their own Arc de Triomphe. Every team did an amazing job!

In Year 5, the children listened to Mrs O'Boyle talk about her visit to Auschwitz in order to better understand the term 'concentration camp'. Year 5 were so sensible and mature during this emotional session.

This week I have had the pleasure of speaking to individual children (safely) about the learning they are doing. I was so amazed by their knowledge and understanding and the enjoyment they demonstrated in the work they have been doing. This is what I missed most when school was closed for so long last year!



Please take a look at our TWITTER AND FACEBOOK PAGES where you will find lots more photos!



Schools from across the country this week have been competing on 'Times Tables Rockstars' to answer the most multiplication questions and we have been competing within school too. Year 3 have been extremely determined to be the TTRS Champions! TTRS is an excellent APP which we cannot recommend highly enough. Please, please encourage your children to use it at home as it is so beneficial in assisting them in their maths work. Well done Year 3 for being our school champions this week!

Next week is ANTI BULLYING WEEK

and the theme for this year is 'United Against Bullying'. Over the last 8 months during the Covid19 crisis, we have realised more than ever the power of community and the importance of everyone working together. With this in the mind, the focus next week will be on how together we can **channel our collective power,**

through shared efforts and shared ambitions and reduce bullying together. We love this quote from the Anti-Bullying Alliance: **"We're all a piece in the puzzle, and together, we're united against bullying"** and we will be thinking about this when we complete activities with the children next week.



Current Restrictions and 'National Lockdown'

People from different households cannot meet in other houses or indoor places unless in a support bubble.

- You cannot meet with more than 1 other person outdoors and must follow social distancing. This means children should not be playing with other children outdoors, having parties, playdates or sleepovers or meeting with others in parks etc.
- Places of worship, essential shops, restaurants and pubs have been closed.

Current guidance states that wraparound care can operate if the primary purpose is to provide registered childcare to enable parents to work.

Our school value for November is **EMPATHY & UNDERSTANDING**

Next week, during Antibullying Week we will be thinking about why empathy matters.

Being kind and empathetic is more than just being a 'nice person.' It's vital for building relationships. It's an essential life skill that underpins a child's ability to be a good friend, a good learner and a good citizen. Teaching our children to consider the feelings of others will help them to understand and articulate their own feelings too, leading to improved wellbeing and mental health.

One way we can do this is through FICTIONAL CHARACTERS. We often talk about characters in books and films and discuss how characters are thinking and feeling and why. Try this next time you share a book at home.

READING ALLOWS US TO SEE AND UNDERSTAND
THE WORLD THROUGH THE EYES OF OTHERS.
A GOOD BOOK IS AN EMPATHY ENGINE.

CHRIS RIDDELL
UK CHILDREN'S LAUREATE.



We had the lovely news on Monday that Miss Clark has had a beautiful baby girl called Valencia Rose weighing 7lb 4.5oz. Both mummy and baby are doing really well and Valencia's big sister is loving having lots of cuddles. We cannot wait for Valencia to come and meet us all but for now we are making do with lots of lovely photos!



Attendance – Well done to Year 3 this week! Keep it up!

Foundation 1 – 95.4%

Foundation 2 – 97.8%

Year 1 – 96.3%

Year 2 – 96.7%

Year 3 – 99.1%

Year 4 – 93.6%

Year 5 – 91.5%

Year 6 – 94.4%

Thank you again for your patience and understanding at this time. Mrs Ralph