



NEWSLETTER

13th November, 2020

And We Remember...

At Hurst Hill on Wednesday, we had a two minute silence to show our respect for those who died during wars. Our whole school assembly this week also focused on Remembrance Day and we learned about the poppy fields in Flanders that led to the poppy being used as the Remembrance emblem today.

On Monday this week, our assembly in school will be Anti-Bullying which ties in with national Anti-bullying week. Pupils can wear odd socks to school on Monday, to show their support of this, if they wish.

We are going to be taking part in the Century Winter Cup. Please encourage your children to login to Century whenever they are able to, as the winners will be the school and pupils who have accessed Century the most. Get completing your Century nuggets! This competition finishes on the 5th December. There will be prizes for the winning school / pupils.

I will be sending a letter to all parents within the next couple of weeks about our plans for Christmas at school. We all know it will be different this year but we have exciting plans to ensure that pupils can still celebrate and enjoy some Christmas activities and events, as much as possible, with COVID restrictions. Christmas dinner and party day will be on the 16th December—more details to follow in the letter

Have a super weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Keen



Attendance

Our school attendance this week is **95.82%**. It needs to be more than **96%**.

If your child is too ill to come to school then you should contact the school office before 9.30am either by telephoning 01384 818845 option 1, or by using the absence reporting on ParentMail. Don't forget to tell us the reason for the absence and how long you expect your child to be off.

We are having several children arrive late – children should be in their classroom before 8.55am for the register to be taken. Doors open at 8.30am each morning.

This week's winner is Reception class with 98.61%. Well done Miss Small's class!

Reception: 98.61%

1HR: 97.00%

2RW: 98.00%

3SW: 96.15%

3/4LF: 96.29%

4DR: 95.71%

5AWDJ: 98.40%

5/6JA: 94.81%

6AJ: 94.82%

Safeguarding

We all have a **responsibility** for the welfare of our children. If something concerns you about the welfare of a child within school then please contact the class teacher in the first instance who will refer to the Schools

Designated Safeguarding Leads within school. If you have concerns which **are not** school based you can: Call the children's services referral and advice service on **0300 555 0050** during office hours (9am - 5pm). Out of office hours contact the Emergency Duty Team on **0300 555 8574** or in an **emergency call 999**.

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RESPECT

Star Pupils of the Week show our school values of honesty, positive attitude, resilience, respect and caring:

Nursery—Eliza for positive attitude and growing her confidence

Reception—Alfie T for resilience in writing

Year 1—Lilian for resilience in writing

Year 2—Austin for a positive attitude to learning

Year 3—Sion for positive attitude in reading.

Year 3/4—Deerece for positive attitude to his learning

Year 4—Alfie for caring for his classmates

Year 5—Charlie for his positive attitude in lessons

Year 5/6—Aditya for his positive attitude

Year 6—Reece for his positive attitude to maths.

The following children were chosen for an anti-bullying award by the class ambassadors:

Isla-Mai, Sophie, Isabelle, Libby, Connah, Imogen, Luke, Reece and Maisie

CARING

The Dudley School Nursing team has sent the following information about workshops for parents:

They are free two hour workshops (for parents of primary age) via Microsoft teams. If you are interested, email parenting@dudley.gov.uk to book on and receive your invite for MS Teams

Developing good bedtime routines -SLEEP workshop
10-12pm 26/11/20

Hassle free shopping with children
1-3pm 9/12/20

Dealing with disobedience
12:30-2:20pm 16/12/20
10am-12pm 22/1/21

Managing fighting and aggression
10am-12pm 10/12/20
5:30-7:30pm 10/12/20
6-8pm 19/1/21

HONESTY

We use housepoints at Hurst Hill to reward pupils for following our school rules and values. This week our house point totals are:

Ruby—146
Diamond—152
Emerald—153
Sapphire—157

Well done to this week's winners—Sapphires!

RESILIENCE

The TTRS battles have ended! Year 2, Year 3/4 and Year 5 were the winners! Well done.

The current top scorers were:

Year 1 and 2—Olivia and Abdullah

Year 3 and 4—Vivaan, Sasha and Aminta

Year 5 and 6—Crystal, Holly and Reece

New battles are online now— can you help your class win?

POSITIVE ATTITUDE

This week we have been trying really hard with our reading. This week 5/6JA had the most words read. Well Done Miss Abley's class

Below is the word count for each class

1HR— 1,217
2RW - 11,899
3SW - 31,383
3/4LF - 33,305
4DR - 164,745
5AWDJ - 103,701
5/6JA - 276,229
6AJ - 56,069

Century Winners this week are:

- Tyler, Sasha and Maddison in years 3 and 4.
- Evie, Holly and Grace in years 5 and 6

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