

Friday 7 November



YR Y1&2 Y3&4 Y5&6



Photos: Boys and girls in Years 5 & 6 playing Netball together at playtime yesterday

The children all seem to have enjoyed half term and have returned rested and ready for learning. This term can always feel like a long one though, especially with the nights drawing in and the weather steadily deteriorating. November is a relatively 'normal' month before the festive period starts. This is also the term that coughs, colds and sore throats start to dominate. With the flu vaccinations next week, this will help protect against more serious flu but the colds are inevitable. A reminder that children should still attend school with a cold/ sore throat/ cough – just as you would still go to work. Of course, they may not be able to work quite as hard and we will support them with some TLC. If they need to be in bed at home then of course they should be off. If you are ever unsure if your child is too ill for school, consult the NHS website: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Celebration Worship

Year R children joined us today for their first celebration worship. On Fridays we all gather and give out a range of certificates to praise the children. Year R are just working things out so they don't start collecting golden coins (small well-done' stickers) until Year 1 but we celebrate moments of personal learning, examples of love and care and one child from each class is chosen for the Maggie Award. These are for children who have demonstrated aspects of our vision and values during the week and is earned rather than 'taking a turn'. These children get to give Maggie a treat in worship and she high-5s them back and then later in the day I gather the winners and they get to play ball with Maggie! We had our first Year R winner today!

The children also sat in 'family groups' today for the first time this year. These groups are made from one child from every year, with our Year Rs with their buddies. This creates a nice social atmosphere with children more able to congratulate each other.

Remembrance – Join Us

It is Remembrance Day (Armistice Day) next Tuesday (11th Nov) and we will have our collective worship a little later in the morning so that we take in and mark the 11am silence. If you would like to join us for this you are very welcome. If you could drop us an email or mention to Mr Woolley at the gate if you would like to come along, just so we know how many seats to put out. Please arrive at 10.50am.



*Don't Forget
Badgers will be
immersing
themselves in the
Viking world on
Tuesday so can
bring in a 'costume,
if they wish.*

Dates for your Diary:

- Fri 7 Nov – 3.30pm FUS AGM
- Mon 10 Nov – Flu vaccinations (sprays)
- Tues 11 Nov – Individual School Photos
- Tues 11 Nov – 10.50am – Remembrance Worship
- Fri 14 Nov – 4-5:30pm FUS Disco
- Sat 6 Dec 2-4pm FUS Christmas Fair



INSET Days left for 25/26

- Mon 3 Nov
- Mon 5 Jan
- Mon 23 Feb
- Fri 22 May

Check you haven't missed these communications this week:

- Tues- Badgers (Y5&6) re Viking experience on Tues 11th
- Thurs – Email to all re Remembrance shop
- Thurs – Email re recommended reading for year groups

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Royal British Legion Fund Raising

Children are welcome to wear poppies and these, as well as friendship bands, badges and poppy-clips can be bought from our Remembrance shop at playtime. Children can bring in a small amount of money, if they wish, over the next few days:



School Photos – Tuesday

School photographer will be in on Tuesday morning to take photos of individuals and also siblings – we will send details to you a few days later. If you would like to have a photo involving a younger child not at school, you are welcome to pop in quickly before school from 8.45am on Tuesday morning, children can then go straight to class ready for 8.55am start.