



Friday 20th November 2020

Dear Parents,

Happy Friday – it seems to come around so quickly! There are a few dates in this letter because although different this year, we are preparing now for a very busy time of year in school and home.

Special Me Day

Special Me Day is on **Thursday 26th November**. Children may come to school in their own clothes, although as it is a Thursday, KS1 should wear PE appropriate clothes. Children may choose to celebrate 'difference' and 'individuality' through their clothing and come in odd socks for example. (The odd socks campaign is related to National Anti-Bullying week).

We have really enjoyed reading the questionnaires and feedback you have given us in preparation for the day. It has helped us to plan for next week and think more widely about some of our wellbeing, social, emotional and personal education. I would like to share our plans with you and so next week I will release a recording of a presentation about the day and our work in general. I will write to parents next week confirming where this presentation has been saved for you to access. In order to keep the day a surprise, this will not happen until next Wednesday evening.

Christmas...

Christmas decoration week will begin on Monday 30th November. As explained last week, by Tuesday 1st December, children will need to collect 2-3 jam jar lids to use to make sustainable Christmas decorations.

Christmas lunch and parties will be on the following days:

Tuesday 8th December – Christmas lunch and party for Gruffalo, Elmer and Paddington

Wednesday 9th December – Christmas lunch and party Tulane, Shadow and Aslan

Further details will follow regarding the how to order a Christmas lunch and arrangements for the parties.

Diary dates

The end of the Autumn term is Thursday 17th December 2020

Return to school in January 2021 is Monday 4th January

INSET days schedules for the following two terms are:

Thursday 1st April 2021

Monday 5th July 2021

Parking at the church: Thank you so much for continuing to use our one-way system at the end of the day. Please can I politely remind parents, that we need cars to move swiftly from the church car park (especially KS1) so that other parents can park for their time slot.

Explorer Awards – Friday 20th November

Community worship

This week's Friday Worship has been led by Mrs. Moir, Miss. McStay, Miss. Coster and Miss. Harding. Great presentation on 'Endangered Animals.'



Gruffalo –Henry Holden for working so hard that now he can write his name independently. Well done Henry!

Elmer –Ami Thomas for her amazing work in phonics and reading comprehension – great job Ami!

Paddington –Riley Crisp for working so hard and excellent progress in handwriting

Tulane – Leo Panks for continuously working hard in maths – brilliant determination!

Shadow – Florence Holder for working so hard at home and school in mathematics; a tremendous boost in confidence and great results. Well done!

Aslan – Francesca Loubser for her concentration and contributions in maths lessons. Great effort – well done!

Finally, this week we have been running a Rock Stars Times Tables competition for children in KS2. The competition has been lively! The results of this competition are as follows;

Winning class: Aslan

Winning player (most points across the school): Freddie Naylor

Second place: Jonah Rodway

Third place: Henry Nurton

Well done to all the children who have participated so well this week and keep going at learning your times tables!

Wishing you ask a wonderful weekend.

Warm regards

Anne Moir