



Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe 'To believe, achieve, succeed together.'

NEWSLETTER 8 – 8th November 2024
Value of the Term: Peace

Dear Parents and Carers

What a jam packed first week back. Lots has been happening and children have got straight back into the learning and experiences provided here at Croughton.

We started by exploring our new **value of Peace**. We thought about what Peace means and children shared what they thought. We looked at peace in different languages and also in different religions, identifying that everyone values the importance of peace, however we still don't live in a peaceful society and world. We read one of my favourite stories, Five Minutes Peace, and thought about how we can offer peace to others. We shall be continuing all term in our exploration of the value of Peace. This links well with the focus on **Remembrance next week**, and we shall all join together at the memorial at 10:45 on Monday – you are all welcome to join us.

Other events this week included a **whole day of Zumba** on Wednesday – each class got to enjoy this and there were some super moves – my favourite taught one was named the Bart Simpson! Also, we had **outdoor learning day** where one lesson from Thursday which would normally be delivered inside went outside – we had history, DT and music all taught outdoors !

We also had **Parents Evening** where teachers got to share successes so far this academic year as well as highlight some things to work on. We will, as is normal, hold an assessment week this term where formal tests will happen and this year before we break up for Christmas, you will receive some information about how they performed in these tests.

Thank you so much for all the donations of gifts today for the **PTFA Christmas Fayre** in exchange for the wearing of their own clothes – further details went out yesterday about how you can further help for the Fayre!

Next Friday it is **Children In Need** and the School Council have organised a cake sale after school in the hall. It was such a success last year – I am sure it will be great again with a tasty treat to raise money for a good cause. If any cake donations can be delivered on Friday please and the sale will be after school in the hall. Please see poster attached.

Next week it is also **Anti Bullying Week** and we have a variety of different activities planned throughout the week - on Tuesday please can children wear odd socks for Odd Socks Day! Please see the diary above for further events next week including our Community Day on Saturday!

Have a lovely weekend, kind regards, Mrs. Sarah Smith

| | Ready, Respectful, Safe | Headteacher Value | PE |
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| OAK | Olivia P & Juliet O | Jessie D | Ozzie H |
| CHESTNUT | Carter S & Arno VZ | Struan H | Ayah H |
| SYCAMORE | Max E & Freya K | Quinn S | Fin S |
| MAPLE | Alex R & Blake F | Lewis B | Felix B |

House Point Scores for the term: Air: 200 Earth:202 Fire:164 Water:205

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.
Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs S. Smith
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads:
Mrs K. Green & Ms L Pepler
Governor Responsible for Safeguarding:
Rev'd Sara Cliff

Attendance figure – whole school for academic year so far – **95.51%**

Huge thanks to the **PTFA who ran a fab 'flashy' stall at Brackley Fireworks** on Saturday night – they raised over £800 for the school – super job and thank you!

Diary – WB 11th November
Anti Bullying Week

Monday

10:45 Remembrance at Church Memorial
7.30pm PTFA meeting Crewe Arms

Tuesday

Odd Socks Day
1.30pm Y56 Football Event @ NBC

Wednesday

Yr R, 1, 2 to Abingdon Museum
Chestnut Outdoor Learning
3:45 Kurling event at Sponne

Thursday

Open Morning 2 - 9.30-11

Friday

3:15pm CIN – Cake Sale

Saturday

10-2 Community Day

PTFA Children's Christmas

Cards - the PTFA have supported the children to design their own Christmas cards this year for parents to purchase.

These are ready to order online at www.mychildsart.co.uk/order

A flyer has been sent home today with this information for you as well.

SANDS Cake Sale on the last day of term made £138. Many thanks for supporting this important charity.

COATS – please can children attend school with a coat. We are working on learning in the outdoors much more and with the chillier temperatures we request **all children have a coat every day.**

FLU IMMUNISATION

information has gone out for the school nurse team to administer in December. Should you wish it sooner please see the details sent out for how to do this.