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Reminders: Book your child's Christmas Lunch on Parent Pay, School Photo orders must be in by 26th November, Please return Flu Vaccination Consent Forms by Monday.

Letters	issued this	week: Flu	vaccination	consent forms.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir 3.30-4.30pm	Rocksteady	Drama 3.30-4.30pm	Rocksteady	
	Multi Sports Skills 3.30-4.15pm Soldier Workshop - Year 6	Textiles 3.30-4.30pm	Art 3.30-4.30pm	

News from the Desk of the Executive Head

Pryvit i vsi – hello everybody. Today we launched our next language of the month. It is Ukrainian. Boris in Y4 led our assembly brilliantly and confidently shared his first language with us. We learnt to count in ten, where Ukraine is and some fun facts about the country. For example did you know Ukraine can boast that it has the longest musical instrument in the world? It is called a trembita and looks like a very long pipe. We also learnt some useful phrases such as 'What is your name?' and 'You are welcome.' Miss Bradburn makes sure our language of the month display is updated in our school so next time you are in, stop and have a go. The more we communicate the better our society will be.

We started our week with an incredible experience for our choir. At 7am on Monday morning Mr Moss, Mrs Beesley, myself and the choir all boarded a coach to London. We were off to The Albert Hall to sing at the annual Barnado's fundraising event. We joined 34 other schools and rehearsed throughout the day ready for an evening performance. The choir have been learning 14 songs over the course of this term and were a credit to us all. When they first stood in the gallery at the top of The Albert Hall and looked down they were overawed. It is a tremendous venue. They were about to stand on the stage where greats such as Placido Domingo and Adele have sung. It was a long day but when the audience arrived our children rose to the occasion and sang their hearts out. For some this will be a once in a lifetime experience and of course funds were raised for an excellent charity who do so much for children. The parents and grandparents who went down to London to see their children thoroughly enjoyed it all. We eventually arrived back at Stratford at midnight, tired but excited. Thank you to Mr Moss and Joyce who do so much for the choir and make sure they are well prepared. Thank you also to Mrs Beesley who stepped in at the last minute to support the children.

Tuesday was our Diwali workshop day to celebrate Diwali. It is the Hindu festival of lights, typically lasting five days and celebrated during the Hindu Lunisolar month Kartika. One of the most popular festivals of Hinduism, Diwali symbolises the spiritual "victory of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance. Throughout the day all of the children learnt about the festival and learnt dances to celebrate. It was a fun day of recalling knowledge and learning new skills and facts. 'It was interesting to learn about the different hand gestures. They were called Hasta and represented different symbols' - Amaya (Y6). Ruben in Y6 also said that it was a great day because 'I was able to recall the story of Diwali and Rama and Sita which I remember learning when I was younger but had forgotten the full story until Tuesday'.

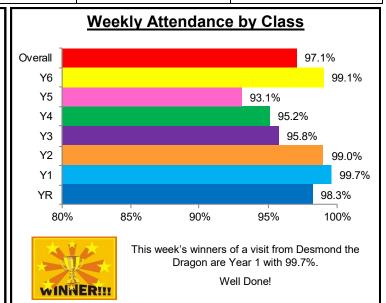
Yesterday evening the governors and I attended Community Academy Trust's annual governor conference. This is an opportunity for all of the schools in our trust – 17 of them, to get together and for CAT to say thank you, share information such as finance, Ofsted changes, preventative measures and prepare governors for their roles in challenging and supporting the schools. Every governor is a volunteer and are part of our leadership and do the role because they care about education and children's futures. We are grateful to them all for giving up a significant proportion of their time to ensure our school is continuously progressing and developing.

You may have started to see poppies appearing around our school entrance and in our front office. Every child has made a poppy and we are creating a remembrance display ready for next week. On Sunday some of our children will represent the school at the annual remembrance service in the memorial gardens and on Monday 11th November our Y6 children will lead our remembrance service. Please stop and remember why we do this every year. It is to remember all those who have sacrificed their lives in wars and conflicts. It is an opportunity for our world to come together in peace.

'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.

Dovijdane - Goodbye

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Weekly House Points



Well done - Hall

Girls Football Kit - Brand New!



Our Girls' Football Team would 🕎 like to say a huge thank you for their wonderful new kits, kindly donated by Mr and Mrs Meenan.

They are much appreciated and the girls are proud to wear them. Thank you.

Choir - Royal Albert Hall Concert



On Monday Mr Moss, Mrs Humphriss and Mrs Beesley accompanied our Choir to the Royal Albert Hall in London to sing at a concert with other schools, supporting Barnado's Children's Charity.

They had a wonderful time, as did the families who came to watch them. It was a very long day starting at 7am, they finally returned to school at midnight!

The children were fabulously well behaved and did the whole school proud. Well done to the Stratford Primary School Choir!



Request for Donations - Lunchtime Nurture Club

If anyone has any board games that they no longer use or want, we would welcome any donations to our lunchtime nurture club.

We would like complete, boxed/bagged games, suitable for children from Reception up to Year 6.

Please give these in to the school office. Thank you!

Remembrance Day

Some of the Poppy Displays made by the children ahead of Remembrance Day.



Shoebox Appeal

If you would like to donate to the Shoebox Appeal, please bring them into the school office before 15th November 2019.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Safeguarding - Anti Bullying Week

Next week is **Anti-Bullying Week** and the theme is 'Change Starts With Us'.

Small change = Big difference.

Whether it is verbal, physical, online or in-person, bullying has a significant impact on a child's life well in to adulthood. By making small, simple changes, we can break this cycle and create a safe environment for everyone. Because together, we can challenge bullying. Change starts with a conversation. It starts with checking in. It starts with working together.

Change starts now

Change starts with us

Talk to each other regularly, don't shy away from difficult conversations. Every time we talk we break down a barrier. Look after each other and watch out for each other.

This is our message to the children.



FOSP - Christmas Fair

Christmas is Coming...

Having a Pre-Christmas clear out? If you have anything that would be suitable for the Christmas Fair please could you leave it in the box in Reception. We are looking for things such as toiletries, bottles, biscuits and other good quality items.

The annual Christmas cups will be out in the next few days. These can be filled with sweets, hair accessories, crayons and other exciting items that you think the children would love to buy.

There will be a non-uniform day on Friday 29th November in exchange for donations, Please could KS1 bring in Chocolate and KS2 bottles.

Finally, if you could spare some time to help at our Fair on Friday 6th December please let us know. If you can't help on the day, we would appreciate help selling raffle tickets we have some fabulous prizes to be won.

Thanks,

FOSP



Diwali Celebrations - Dancing



Joining in with the Diwali celebrations happening around the world, on Tuesday we welcomed West End in Schools, who spent the day doing workshops with all the classes. The children had some amazing sessions, they learnt some fantastic dance moves and thoroughly enjoyed

themselves.

