

## 9th November 2018

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Reminders: Children should now be wearing their winter school uniform  Letters issued this week: All - FOSP Countdown to Christmas, Choir - Autumn Events				
KS1 Sports Club 3.30-4.30pm Choir 3.30-4.30pm	Y6 RSC Workshop	YR, Y1 & Y5 Road Safety Training Mindfulness 3.30-4.30pm Textiles Club 3.30-4.30pm Football Match: Bridgetown vs Stratford Primary	Rock Steady Music School Art Club KS1 3.30-4.30pm Art Club KS2 3.30-4.30pm	Rock Steady Music School

## **News from the Headteacher**

We have all hit the ground running this week and the school is busy preparing for our Remembrance Event. Each class will be performing a song, poem or piece of drama. Year Six are playing a key part in linking everything together. We are looking forward to welcoming The Mayor of Stratford Councillor John Bicknell, LCpl Jack Thompson from 37 Signal Regiment and members of our community. Every year group has been studying the reason why we remember every year in November those who sacrificed their lives in wars and conflicts since World War One. The children have been writing thank you letters to people from World War One who have contributed to the war effort. This is a campaign by The Royal British Legion. They have asked children to think about those who served from The Commonwealth, The Artists and Musicians who shared their stories, poems and music all influenced by the events of the war, The Children who gave up their pocket money and grew vegetables, The Women who went to work when the men went to war and particularly the soldiers. Our poppy trail has taken shape as the week has gone on. If you are not able to come to our Remembrance event we hope at some point you can walk our poppy trail and see how the children have remembered. Over half term I have been busy researching the old registers and have identified so far 27 men who once attended our school and are now listed on the World War One war memorial in Stratford's memorial garden. As part of our poppy trail we remember these men who once walked the corridors of our school.

Some of the children this week have also been learning about Diwali. Miss Honey has been teaching year one and year three about the importance of this festival of lights which is celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. The festival, which coincides with the Hindu New Year, celebrates new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil, and light over darkness. This year Diwali began on 5th November and lasts for 5 days. The children had a super time dressing in traditional dress, lighting diva candles and having henna tattoos. Thank you Miss Honey.

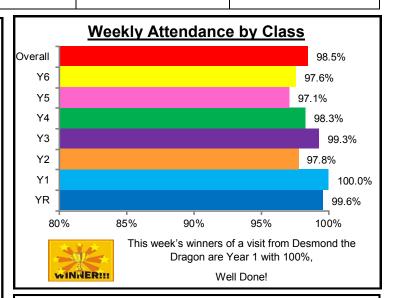
The children all looked very smart in their uniform on Tuesday for photo day. Thank you for making sure that they continue to wear the correct uniform. On Monday it is the start of our anti-bullying week. The theme is RESPECT and to kick it all off we would like everyone to wear odd socks on Monday only.

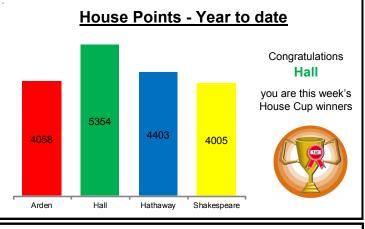
It is a busy term ahead with our 135th anniversary of the current school building coming up and of course Christmas. Keep checking the website for dates and also all the different ways we communicate. Don't hesitate to ask if you are not sure of something.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them.

Mrs Humphriss - Headteacher







# Message from Stratford-upon-Avon Foodbank

We are experiencing a severe shortage of certain items which are particularly important to clients with limited facilities or sleeping rough. Our shelves are literally empty of:

Cereal Bars

Dried Milk

Peanut Butter

Please help us to support vulnerable people.

Many thanks



### **Football Team News**

## Stratford Primary 1 - Thomas Jolyffe 1

Tuesday evening saw the Stratford Primary football team take on Thomas Jolvffe at the Paddock. The team started brightly and we were camped in the TJ half for most of the first half, restricting them to few chances on the breakaway. Our pressure paid off as Euan M somehow managed to score directly from a corner! Confusion aplenty but the goal stood and we went into half time with the upper hand. Similarly to the first half, we came out of the blocks in the second half and dominated the game. Jamie O'N and Jake G led the line well pressuring their defence; Seb R-D and Matty R provided width on the flanks with their neat footwork whilst Euan M and Joe Mc bossed the midfield; Jamie F, Josh J, Callum H and Daniel E were the steel at the back and Jacob C dealt with any shots that came his way. We went close multiple times and then, with the timer on the ref's watch already beeping for full time, TJ had a break through on goal and finally managed to pierce our defence. With seconds to go, we kicked off, ran straight up to their goal, and with the ball bouncing, Seb R-D hit it so hard he almost broke the crossbar in half. A great performance by all members of the team, who really did deserve to come out of the game with a win. Still, we are unbeaten in 8 and go into the game against the Willows in good spirits.

#### The Willows 2 - Stratford Primary 3

With the rain pouring throughout the middle of the day, the prospect of the game going ahead looked bleak. However, a turn in the weather meant we went to the Willows determined to revenge our only defeat of the season so far (1-5 in the first game of the season). A team of 8 for an 8-aside game meant no substitutes on the sidelines and a full game for each player. Similar to Usain Bolt in the 2009 World Athletics Championship in Berlin, we fired out of the blocks and found ourselves 1-0 very quickly with Arlo T rampaging through their defence and firing beyond their goalkeeper. We were passing the ball well, getting stuck into challenges and making sure our shots were on target. Shortly after the first goal, we broke forward with blue shirts surging into the penalty area. The ball was played across the face of goal with Charlie W duly making sure it ended up in the back of the net. 2-0. Any Willows pressure that came our way was dealt with by the back 3 of Harry A, Tyler M and Joe G. If anything did get through then we still had Lucas M in goal. A spell of Willows pressure at the end of the first half resulted in Lucas M doing his best octopus impression as he managed to keep about 8 shots in a row out of the goal. Sublime. Soon after half time, the ball broke to Charlie W, who managed to produce a scoop pass that Mesut Özil himself would be proud of, to Arlo T who made no mistake to fire the ball past the stranded Willows goalkeeper. 3-0. Unbelievable scenes. A thumping Willows header from a corner made it 3-1 with 10 minutes to go. With no substitutions, our legs were starting to tire and the Willows were starting to pile on the pressure. A 20 yard, top-corner screamer that Lucas could do nothing about brought the score to 3-2 and Mr Scarlett realised that he had run out of fingernails to bite! The team dug in and hung on to ensure that we came out 3-2 winners. An unbelievable performance from the team keeps the 9 game undefeated run alive with only one more game against Bridgetown next week to come.

#### Year 6 Solider Visit



What a 'Super Starter' to our Fallen Fields theme: Year 6 were visited by a First World War soldier! They learnt all about recruitment during The Great War, about life in the trenches and about weapons and tactics.

### Diwali in Year 1



On Tuesday Ananya's mum came to see us to teach us about Diwali. We learnt how it is a five day festival of light. It is to celebrate new beginnings and good over evil. We were very fortunate as we were able to try on jewellery and clothes usually worn during Diwali and it was a real hands on experience!

## Diwali in Year 3







On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of November Year 3 had a visit from Miss Honey who gave a wonderful presentation about Diwali - The Festival of Light.

Children had the opportunity to try on traditional clothes and jewellery, Henna tattoos, Indian sweets and also listened to special festival music.

# Mary Morgan's 100th Birthday



Mary Morgan who lives on Broad Street turns 100 years old today. A birthday party was held for her by her family at the town hall. Several of our Year 6 students attended the event along with Mrs Humphriss and Mrs Euinton.