



Newsletter 13th November 2020

Christmas Virtual Recordings

Please ensure that you complete the Google Form giving permission for your child to be videoed during the above virtual recordings. If you are not happy to give permission, that is absolutely fine but you just need to be aware that although your child will be a part of rehearsals etc, they will not be able to have a speaking part for obvious reasons. This form was emailed out to all parents yesterday and we ask that it is completed before Friday 20th November so that the children can start to practise.

Remembrance Day

We met virtually as a whole school by our School War Memorial at 11am on Wednesday to respect the two minutes silence. The children in Mrs Gibson's class also held a virtual KS2 Gathering in the afternoon to share information they had researched about this important day. For those children who are Scouts or Guides it was also an opportunity for them to wear their uniforms as unfortunately, they have not been able to march in Bicester as they would normally. It was a very proud moment for them.

Injury Minimisation Programme for Schools (IMPS)

Year 6 would usually have the chance to visit The Horton Hospital in Banbury to take part in IMPS during this term. However as this is not possible at the moment, they had some virtual training from the IMPS Team. The aim of I.M.P.S. is to **empower** young people to take personal **responsibility** for their own **risk** management and to equip them with the **skills** to cope in an **emergency** situation.

Orange Day

We have absolutely LOVED seeing all of our children dressed in orange today - we have had funky tights, orange hair and orange face paint! Our children have had a fantastic day taking part in orange themed activities and finding out about what activities take place at Helen and Douglas House. Thank you so much for your support and donations - Helen and Douglas House are really grateful, especially in these difficult times. If you would like to know more about who we raised money for today please click on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aF8QDbxAebE&t=1s>

PTA

The PTA have lots of exciting new activities coming up. We have put information regarding these in the PTA area of the App or you could have a look at the new PTA website to see what is coming up from them.

Birthday Parties

It has been decided to hold birthday parties in school in the afternoon on the last Friday of every month for children whose birthday it has been in that month. Obviously we will need to backdate birthdays to 1.9.20 so the 'party' in November will be for children who had a birthday in the last 3 months. The PTA will be funding a cup cake for birthday children (respecting all dietary requirements). Children will have their lunch as usual and should continue to wear normal school uniform. The parties will be with all children in their class. Once the Government change the guidance and Birthday Parties are once again allowed outside of school, these parties will stop.

"Learning together to ensure every child is the best they can be"