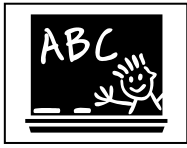


Thomas Russell Junior School

Inspiring all, achieving together.



Newsletter



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Remembrance Day



On Wednesday 11th November House Captains visited the War Memorial in Barton under Needwood at 11am for a short service and to lay a wreath.

In school the children have been learning about events leading up to the end of the First World War in 1918, the significance of wearing a poppy and they have shared some of their experiences about being a part of Remembrance Sunday parades. We also observed a two minute silence and watched how the event was marked at the Cenotaph in London and all around the United Kingdom.

'Make a Noise' - Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is National Anti-Bullying Week and we will be marking this in school with a series of assemblies along the theme of:
'Make a Noise' about bullying.

On Thursday afternoon we have a visiting theatre group in school, arranged by Miss Press, who will perform the Anti-Bullying Magic Show.



In recognition of our successful accreditation as an Anti-Bullying Pledge School, we have been invited to take a small group of children to 'Make Some Noise' about Bullying, at a special Action Against Bullying event in Stafford on Wednesday 18th November. We are proud to be one of only five schools invited from across Staffordshire and have selected a small group from our amazing choir to perform 'Power in Me'. This is an uplifting song which the choir all thoroughly enjoy singing that contains a very powerful message about motivation, standing up for people's rights and inner strength.

Outdoor Games

The weather is getting colder now, so please ensure children have their tracksuit and trainers in school for their weekly games lesson.

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Children in Need - Friday 13th November

It is always lovely on a non-uniform day to see the children dressed up (or down!). They looked super in their PJs, onesies and superhero outfits. Thanks to your generosity we have been able to raise £263.20.



Match Attax Cards

We know the children thoroughly enjoy the annual craze of collecting Match Attax Cards and the customary "Got it, need it, got it, need it...ohhhh a shiny!" song can be heard ringing out across the playground! We are more than happy for the children to continue bringing these cards into school for during break time, but we do ask that parents help us to reinforce the message that **trading is not allowed**. This rule is not because we want to spoil any fun the children are having with the cards, simply to avoid disagreements that can arise after trading occurs.

Bikeability - Year 5

Don't forget that we have Bikeability in school on Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th November. Year 5 children - if your bike is buried at the back of the shed with flat tyres, why not dig it out and clean it up this weekend and get the tyres pumped up ready so that you're not leaving it to parents to do late next Sunday!

Christmas Carol Concert

We will be holding our annual Carol Service at St. James Church on Friday 18th December at 10am. Children will all take part and we do hope parents will be able to join us.

*Best wishes,
Mrs S Sharpe*