

Newsletter

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another lovely week in school where your children made me incredibly proud during their respectful participation in our commemoration for Remembrance Day on the 11<sup>th</sup> November. Each class had discussed what Remembrance Day was and why we have a two-minute silence and then the whole school community gathered on the playground to pay our respects. The children from Reception to Year Six behaved impeccably and all demonstrated our school value of Respect. It was a beautiful and poignant moment.

Our School Improvement Partner from North Northamptonshire Council visited the school on Thursday and was very impressed with the children's manners, behaviour and respect too. She also toured lessons and was impressed with the children's ability to articulate their learning and the passion with which they could talk about their reading.

Miss Ward led a school cross-country team to local trials this week against 13 other schools. I am delighted to report EBPS came second overall! Well done to the entire team and thanks to the staff and parent helpers involved. A fantastic display of perseverance and determination by our Key Stage 2 pupils with some fantastic individual performances and each year group performed really well as a team. Well done.

We are planning ahead to Christmas events already! Please see the attached flier to detail all events in good time. If you would like a paper copy, please ask at the office!

Kind regards,

Miss Lally

### Notices and announcements:

#### Marvellous Manners

Our behaviour focus this week has been "Marvellous Manners" and it has made a huge difference to the politeness and manners on display around the school. Children are now politely saying, "Good morning", "Good afternoon" and greeting each other and all of the adults in school by name. It has been a really lovely week! Next week our focus in "Tranquil Transitions" within the classroom.

#### Care for Calais

Maisie in Year 5 wrote to me before half term as she was moved by the plight of Afghan refugees and wanted to help. She has gone away and researched charities which help refugees and the items they need and made her own poster. I love her thoughtfulness and initiative and would be delighted if the EBPS community could donate to this very good cause. Please see attached poster. If you have any of the items required and they could be used by refugee families in our local area, please bring them to the school office and Maisie and her family have kindly agreed to drop them off at a local centre.

#### Clarifying the Methodist Church Carol concert

We are very pleased that our Senior Choir will be singing at the Methodist Church on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like to buy tickets for this event, please visit the village library or telephone: 01604 811958. If your child is in Senior Choir, please let Mrs Skett know whether your child will be able to take part by completing this [form](#).

The letter for this was only sent to members of the Senior Choir (Y4 – Y6) and only these children are participating. The Junior Choir (Y1 – Y3) is not participating in this event as it is late on a Saturday evening.

### **PTA Christmas Fair**

Please see attached the flyer for the PTA sponsored Christmas Fair. Please bring donations for the bottle tombola to the school office. Any bottles are welcome as long as they are unopened and in date.

### **Young Voices Tickets**

The school is not purchasing Young Voices tickets for parents this year. Parents who wish to attend should book their own tickets online when they become available on general sale. This will be after 27<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Letters home this week**

Invitation to Y6 VE Day – Y6 only

Poetry day letter – Y4, 5 & 6 only

Holdenby trip letter – Y2 only

School library books message – EYFS only

Parent Governor election letter

### **Attached**

PTA Christmas Fair flyer

Online safety newsletter

Refugee collection poster – items needed

Maisie's refugee poster

EBPS School Christmas Events Countdown

Kingswood Christmas cooking flyer (Please note this is an external provider and is not endorsed by the school)