



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Friday 9th November 2018

### **This week, we have been...**

Remembering those who have made, and who continue to make, sacrifices in order to keep us safe. We have been thinking about gratitude in our assemblies, and the ways in which we show that we are thankful to God and to each other. We have been especially thinking about the people who lost their lives in the First World War. We will be having a special commemoration of the centenary of the end of the First World War on Monday, where we will have readings, poems and prayers, and will observe a minute's silence.



### **Ms Ascough**

Ms Ascough will be swapping her Thursday at St Mary's for a Wednesday, so she will now be here on Mondays (half day), Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

### **School Gates**

The gates open at 8:45am. Please stay with your child until they are open and encourage them to walk sensibly into the playground. Thank you.

### **Online safety**

We love the fact that so many children use the internet to help with their learning, play games and communicate with their friends. However, please make sure that you monitor your child's internet use as new sites and trends appear all the time. There is a parents' guide to Fortnite attached to this letter, which includes information about the recommended age for users and the addictive nature of the game. Please come and talk to us if you have any concerns about your child's online activity - we have lots of resources to support you, including recommendations for apps which allow you to monitor and restrict your child's activity. This newsletter for parents also has a lot of useful and up-to-date information: <https://www.esafety-adviser.com/latest-newsletter/>

### **Uniform**

It has been lovely to see the children looking so smart in their winter uniform. The full uniform list is on the school website, and school t-shirts, jumpers, cardigans and bags can be purchased on [www.stitchdesign.co.uk](http://www.stitchdesign.co.uk).

### **Petition**

There is a petition opposing proposed building work on the site of the Luxborough Street playground. Here is the link if you would like to sign it: <http://petitions.westminster.gov.uk/LuxboroughSOS/>

### **Coffee morning with Mr Knight**

Mr Knight will be running a coffee morning on Thursday 15th November at 9:00. He will be sharing ways in which parents of KS1 children can support them with their reading.

There will be one focusing on KS2 children later this term.

### **Attendance Champions**

Our school attendance target is 96% and we need everyone's help to help us reach it! Each week, we celebrate the class who have the best attendance.

**This week our attendance champions are once again Y3 with 98%—well done!**



F1 97%; F2 97%; Y1 95%; Y2 96%; Y4 96%; Y5 97%; Y6 94%

### **Assemblies**

Friday 16th November - F1  
Friday 23rd November - Year 6  
Friday 30th November - Year 5  
Friday 7th December - Year 4

**Have a lovely weekend.**

**Libby Granite, Head of School**