

NEWSLETTER

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13th November 2020

Headteacher Message

Usually in the autumn term we have a parent's evening so that you have the opportunity to talk to the teachers about your child's progress. Obviously, under current circumstances we are unable to allow parents in to the building.

With this in mind, we are investigating ways of offering an online service so you can still have a face-to-face discussion with your child's teacher. Further information will follow in the coming weeks to give you the details about this exciting development and the opportunity to book an appointment. We'll keep you posted!

Thank you for all your kind donations towards Children In Need today. This year more than ever we will have children around the country in need of our support. Thank you for your generosity and all your donations are greatly appreciated.

Next week we will be taking part in Anti-Bullying week (16th -20th Nov). Children can come dressed in odd socks on Monday 16th November to raise awareness that everyone is different and to remind us that we should celebrate what makes us all unique. This year's theme is 'United Against Bullying'. Children will be taking part in activities and lessons to promote good friendships, learn about how to deal with bullies and understand what bullying means.

Thank you.

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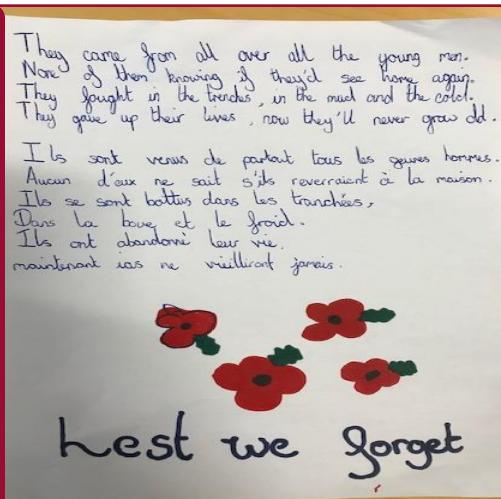
Attendance Week Ending 13.11.20

R	97.1%
Year 1	92.8%
Year 2	97.7%
Year 3	89.7%
Year 4	97.6%
Year 5	93.5%
Year 6	90%
Whole School (weekly)	94.1%
Whole School (Sept to date)	95.2%
Target 97%	

Safety First Please can we remind parents and pupils not to wait in the car park area at drop off time. This remains a working car park and so to keep everyone safe, pupils should remain outside the school gates until the staff arrive at the front to bring them in. Parents should also remain outside of the school gates. Please avoid walking through the car park to different ends of the premises.

A lovely piece of poetry written both in English and French!

Congratulations to Ava Meaney for a wonderful piece of work.



Terrific Time Keepers

The winners this week are REC, RKK, 1EN, 2GJ, 2HW

3SJ, 3SI, 4CT, 5AF and 6LP!

What an achievement! Well done!

Remember - Be on time at twenty to nine!

Dates for your diary

16-20 November '20

Anti Bullying Week

16th November '20

Odd Socks Day

17th November '20

Sale Sharks Workshop for Year 5 & Year 6

27th November '20

Flu Spray

10th & 11th December '20

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Christmas Dinner Days

11th December '20

Christmas Jumper Day

Wc 14th December '20

Christmas Pantomime (on-line)

18th December '20

School Closes for Christmas break

Visit our website for all our dates!

New Gym Equipment

As some of you may have noticed, we now have 5 pieces of gym equipment on the playground for Key Stage 2 children to use during break times and lunch times.

All children have to use hand gel before and after usage and the equipment is wiped down after each class.

The purpose of this equipment is to help children build up their 60 active minutes per day.

It's great to see all children using the equipment.

We've already had great feedback from children, staff & parents.

It's good to see the children enjoying being active.

However, can we please remind parents and children not to use this equipment before and after school due to health and safety reasons.

Thank you.



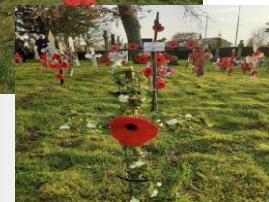
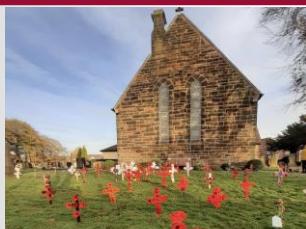
Year 3 Science



Year 3 have been grouping rocks and identifying their properties.

Interestingly lots of children already knew some examples of rocks from playing the game Minecraft - a popular computer game.

Children wanted to learn more about Obsidian because of this so we will continue our investigations this week.



They couldn't hold a Remembrance Service this year but the children of Partington Central Academy and Forest Gate Academy schools along with members of the congregation at St. Mary's Church have together created 75 Remembrance Crosses decorated with poppies and creative artwork displayed in the grounds of St. Mary's Church. Please do pop by the churchyard if you haven't already to view the amazing designs and creativity.

Main Entrance:

The main school entrance is currently used for our Y5 children. Please can we ask that parents do not go to the office to pass on information at drop off/pick up times. This increases the risk for our Y5 children. Any information can be passed onto Miss Edwards at the gate (or any other member of staff). All staff can be easily spotted in their hi-vis jackets.

Reception

On our return to school we have been busy in Reception. We had some spooky-themed activities that linked to our story, 'Room on the Broom'. We used our imaginations to create potions, some turned you into frogs and others turned you into a princess!

We also had to use our fine motor skills to 'free the pumpkin!' We learned all about Bonfire Night and how to keep safe and we learned about Remembrance day and had lots of fun creating poppies.



A REMINDER TO ALL YEAR 5 & 6 PARENTS

Sale Sharks Workshop will take place on Tuesday 17th November.



Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on this day.

The workshop involves an introduction to touch rugby & a workshop on resilience.