



REMEMBRANCE DAY 2022

Tomorrow we will be going over to church to hold a Remembrance Service, which has been planned by the children in Young Worship. As part of this service, every child has made a poppy to lay at the altar in church and we will be joining together for the two-minute silence.

We still have poppy merchandise on sale which children can buy during the day, or you can pop into the office after school.



Link to Hope

We donated an amazing 65 shoeboxes to this year's appeal! Thank you so much for your generosity.

AUTUMN ASSESSMENT WEEK & AUTUMN TERM PARENT CONSULTATIONS

This term's assessment week will take place next week, commencing Monday 14th November. Please avoid absence this week if at all possible.

Parent consultations will then take place in the week commencing 28th November. We will be offering face to face appointments in the hall on Monday 28th November, or you may choose to have a phone call or video meetings with your child's teacher on the other days that week. We will send home a letter next week for you to choose which you would prefer.

attendance ~~MATTERS~~

Ensuring your child has excellent attendance at school is the single most powerful thing you can do to help support them with their learning and development.

Research shows that children with strong attendance do better at school academically, have stronger relationships with their friends and go on to have better life chances.

It is tempting to think that at primary school 'a few days won't matter'. However, the curriculum delivers a sequence of knowledge and skills that builds upon prior learning, meaning that time away from school can lead children to have gaps in their knowledge and understanding. Missing key concepts in for example, mathematics, can lead to children to struggle to understand trickier concepts further down the line, because the foundations are not secure.

Whilst children are unwell from time to time, we ask that you avoid other absences, especially for day trips and holidays. We urge you NOT to take your child out of school for holidays; these absences are always unauthorized and could result in a fixed penalty notice being issued for non-attendance. **The minimum expectation for attendance is 95%**, anything below this level is considered a concern. Thank you for your cooperation.

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| 0 days absence | 190 days in school | 100% attendance |
| 10 days absence | 180 days in school | 95% attendance |
| 19 days absence | 171 days in school | 90% attendance |
| 29 days absence | 161 days in school | 85% attendance |
| 38 days absence | 152 days in school | 80% attendance |
| 47 days absence | 143 days in school | 75% attendance |

| Attendance | Days absence | Weeks absence | Hours missed |
|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| 95% | 9 days | 2 weeks | 59 hours |
| 90% | 19 days | 4 weeks | 124 hours |
| 85% | 29 days | 6 weeks | 189 hours |
| 80% | 38 days | 8 weeks | 247 hours |
| 75% | 48 days | 10 weeks | 312 hours |
| 70% | 57 days | 11.5 weeks | 371 hours |
| 65% | 67 days | 13.5 weeks | 436 hours |

Do you have any empty hampers?

We are planning another hamper raffle this year but are low on baskets and hampers as not all were returned after the raffle last year. If you have **any empty hampers/baskets** that you could donate for our Christmas fundraising, we would gladly take them off your hands – please ask your family & friends too and drop them into the office. Thank you!



Next Friday 18th
November 2022

To support Children in Need, this year children are invited to go 'dotty and spotty' in return for a small donation to the appeal. **Children are still expected to wear school uniform** but can accessorise it – for example, Pudsey ears, a spotty tie instead of a school tie, spotty socks, spotty hair bands, a bandana etc. (Please remember that participation is optional!).

BAUBLE MAKING IS UNDERWAY!

Mrs Peddie's bauble factory is up and running! Make sure you place your 2022 Christmas bauble order ASAP to secure your spot on the school tree this year.

PTA Diary dates and upcoming events

24th & 25th November: **Book Fair**

1st December: **Non-uniform day** for Christmas fair and hamper donations, letter to come soon

5th December: **Christmas Crafts**, after school

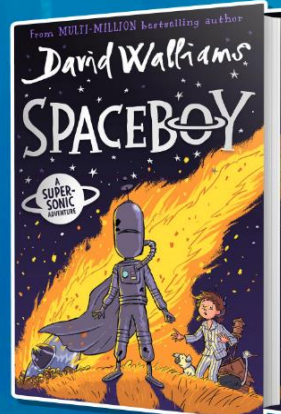
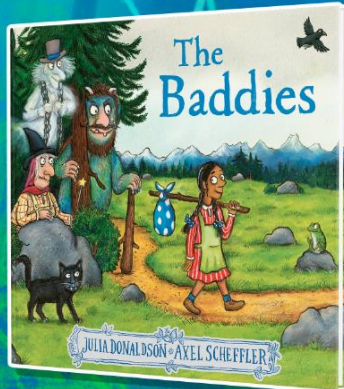
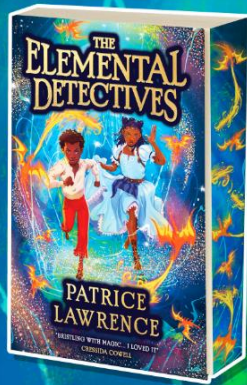
9th December: **Christmas Fair**, after school

12th December: Christmas **Movie & Munch**

16th December: Class 5 **Cake Day**

COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

AND EARN FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL



Free books for our
school library!



Christmas
stocking fillers!

SCHOLASTIC Book Fair

The autumn book fair is coming soon – we are excited to have the fair returning after a Covid absence in the last couple of years.

Thursday 24th November: 8.15am-8.45am and 3.15pm-4.00pm

Friday 25th November: 8.15am-8.45am and 3.15pm-4.00pm

The fair takes place in the school hall before and after school where you can come and browse and buy books. The fair is a wonderful way to support reading in school, because

for every book you buy, we get one free for the school library!

The book fair is open to the public too, so please spread the word amongst your friends, relatives and neighbours who might like to come along and do some Christmas shopping!

Competition time – win a £5 token to spend at the book fair!

We are running a competition to win a £5 book token to spend at the fair – details on the next page. The closing date for entries is Tuesday 22nd November.

COMPETITION

Win a £5

Book Fair Token!

To celebrate our forthcoming Book Fair we are holding a competition to win a £5 book token (one token per class)

What you need to do

Make a wooden-spoon book character!

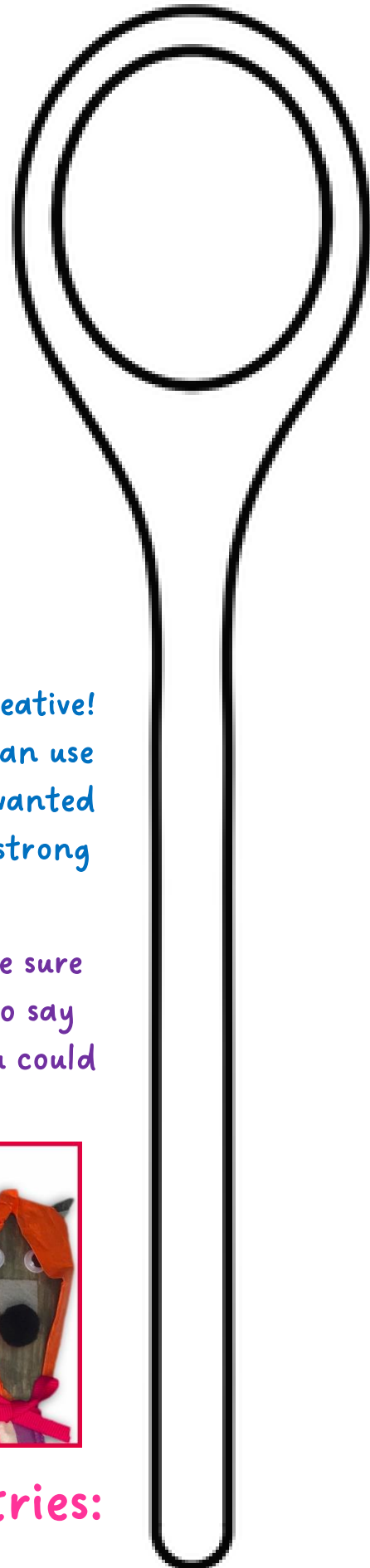
Choose a character from a favourite story, and then get creative! Decorate a wooden spoon to look like your character. You can use whatever arts and crafts you like. If you don't have an unwanted wooden spoon available at home, you could cut one out of strong cardboard instead.

We will put all the spoons on display in the library so make sure it has your name and class on it somewhere, and a label to say what character it is. If you are really enjoying yourself, you could make several characters from the same book!



Closing date for entries:

9am Tuesday 22nd November





Christmas shopping online?

If you use Amazon, please remember to visit our school website first and click on the Amazon Smile logo on the home page, then just shop as normal.

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SPORTS

Dodgeball

A big well done to the children who competed in the Sporting Futures Dodgeball tournament this week at Barnwell.

They played really well, had tough competition in the semi-final, but went on to finish in first place. Congratulations!

This week's article from our Pupil Journalist, Annie

On Friday 4th November, a firefighter talked to us about how to stay safe during fireworks. We learnt that more people get hurt holding sparklers each year than lighting fireworks!

He also showed us a video about how Guy Fawkes got found out hiding the barrels of gunpowder when they tried blowing up the houses of parliament. On Saturday night lots of people went to see fireworks or had some in their back gardens

Maybe you did? Hope you stayed safe!



Last week our Christmas shoe boxes were collected. At the end of the week, we had stacked 65 shoe boxes filled with presents for families in need!!! Most of them will be taken to Ukraine and some of them to Romania.

 SCHOLASTIC

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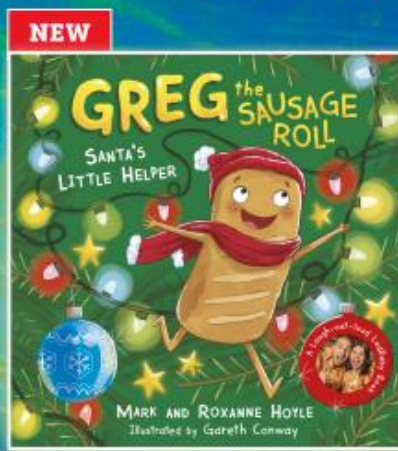
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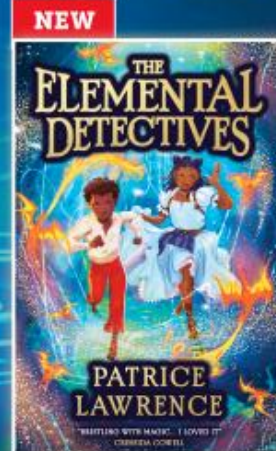
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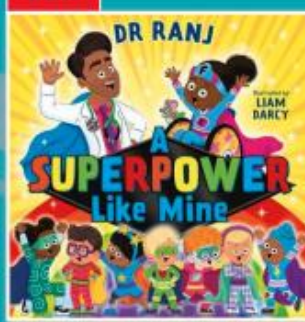
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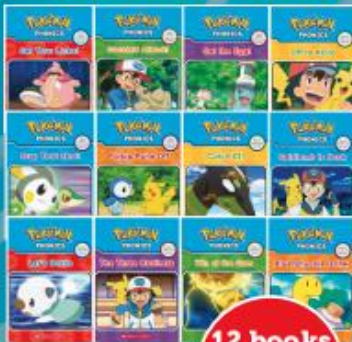
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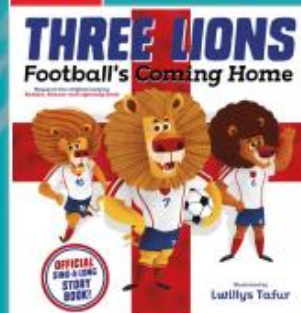
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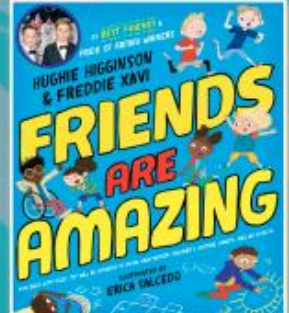
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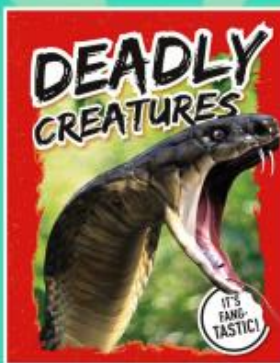


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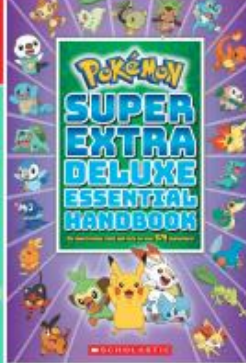


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