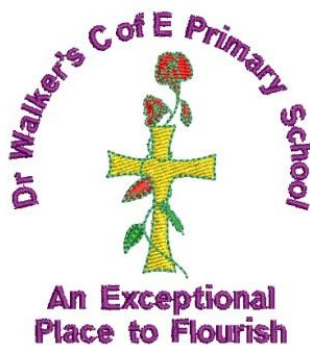


At Dr Walker's School we develop Respect and Responsibility.
Build Perseverance and Creativity.
Combine Christian values with Courage and Compassion for us to become successful British Citizens.



23rd November 2018

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Twitter is also available on our website

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Attendance Ted will be in Hedgehogs Class next week - 97.4% - Well Done!

Please be aware that holidays taken during term time could incur a penalty to parents by the Education Welfare Service. Please see our website for the school's Attendance Policy and a copy of the letter informing parents of the possibility of incurring a penalty by taking holidays during term time.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 96.7%

Children in Need: We all had a fantastic dotty day and we all enjoyed our Bring and Buy sale! Together we raised just over £180 for CIN. Well done Dr Walker's!



Christmas Bazaar - 7th December We really need your help to make the afternoon a success. Please see details below on how to help. Even if you can only help for this event we would really appreciate it!

Interhouse Bake off! Wow what a day. The family entries were incredible and the effort everyone made was admirable. We all enjoyed having a look and our very own Prue and Paul (Julie and Ann from the kitchen) had a difficult decision to make.

Overall House Winner - Tyler - winning for Romans (ribbon for the cup and 25HPs)

Highly commended winning 15 HPs their houses - Caitlin and Erin, Evie and Libby, Eden and Alby, John and Paul and Talia.



Our mini Interhouse bake off was a great success too! Each child had 10 minutes to decorate a sponge cake and I got to say the words...Read, Steady, Bake..... There were spot HP prizes for collaboration and creativity and each House had a winner for 15HPs. Overall winner was Maxwell for Normans!



Home Learning Quest - It has been fantastic to see lots of children and families engaging in HLQ through Twitter and in their classrooms. Thursday is the day to bring HLQ items in and these can be added to Learning Quest books. Remember children can choose any order to complete the activities. A Head teacher's HLQ challenge has been posted on Twitter today! Good luck with your quests this term.

STEM Conference: Miss Willis and Mr Joy attended a STEM and Science conference on Friday - it was very inspirational and we can't wait to share with you our own plans to make Science great again!

School Fundraising: Your support at our events is invaluable and not only are our events fun for everyone we have recently purchased a new and very snazzy projector for our hall. We are also looking into investing in some new laptops and technology for the children. A big thank you for all your support at our school events.



Family Learning at ACL Essex delivers parenting classes to help you care; providing ideas and activities for you to share, enjoy and learn with your children - improving your own skills at the same time. Our courses help mums, dads, grandparents and carers feel more confident about supporting their children. These courses offer you the opportunity to learn together to build strong relationships, develop new skills and raise aspirations for all the family. The courses available include English, English for speakers of other languages, maths, steps into pre-school & nursery, school readiness, steps into secondary school, online safety, understanding children and managing behaviour. All classes are free. All learning is fully funded and is run in partnership with your local school or childcare provider. **For more information about Family Learning courses running across Essex, please call Linda Batho-Smoothy 03330 139211 or Sarah Yeldham on 03330 320903**

Dates for your diary

- Thursday 29th November - School Open Day for prospective parents - 1.00pm
- Friday 30th November - Non Uniform in exchange for a donation to the bottle tombola!
- Monday 3rd December - Christmas jars to be delivered to school
- Friday 7th December - Christmas Bazaar - 3.20pm - 4.45pm

Dr Walker's Happy Helpers

We have many events throughout the school year. Coming up is our Christmas bazaar, would you like to help?



Contact our Happy Helpers coordinator Cheryl Fry 07932 325750

As a happy helper you can help as little or as much as you like. If you would like to help at one event per year, we are grateful. Every little helps!

Collective worship on Tuesday focused on our differences and why it is ok to be different and think differently from others. We talked about tolerance and how we can be different and still work together in peace. We sat the wrong way round and looked at how underneath all those different colours of smarties they are actually all the same.



Dear Lord, Let us celebrate all our differences and how unique each and every one of us is. We all like different things and have thoughts and opinions on different subjects. We may not always agree but we can all still work together and be tolerant even when we don't agree.
Help us to voice our differences with kindness and respect.
Amen



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