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



8th November 2019

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<u>Attendance Ted will be shared by Caterpillars and Ladybirds Classes next week - 98.7% - Well</u> <u>Done!</u>

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. Holidays in September will automatically incur a fine - please see our attendance policy for more information.

Children who attend 98% and above will receive a text for them and their parents or carers. This is to congratulate them for good learning behaviours that will stay with them for life.



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 95.7%

Tag Rugby: A huge well done to both our A and B teams at the Tag rugby event on Tuesday. It was a little muddy but great determination was shown. A team was 2nd out of 8 teams and B team came 4th! We look forward to the next round.

<u>Remembrance Day - Monday 11th</u>. Parents and families are invited from 1.30pm to join classrooms and take part in Remembrance Day activities. We will then invite all adults to the hall for afternoon tea. We look forward to seeing you all and thank you for booking your places for afternoon tea. (For parents and families in Year 5 - you are welcome to come from 1.15pm to see your child's activities if you wish before they go swimming) **School Skirts:** Ms Grimshaw is now selling our school skirt as well as School Trends. She has given permission for us to put her mobile number on the newsletter if you wish to contact her to order one. 07730 769246. **Welcome to Mrs Thomson:** A huge welcome to Mrs Thomson who has joined us in the office 3 days a week.

The Book People Book Fair!





Books will be on sale in the ICT suite on: Tues 12th - 3:00-3:25pm Weds 13th - 8:45-9:10 am & 3:00-3:25pm Thurs 14th - 8:45-9:10 am & 3:00-3:25pm

Cash only please - card payment not available

Elmer Friendship Day - Friday 8th November: All the children have enjoyed dressing brightly and taking part in activities that celebrate differences and friendships. We are all different and this should be

celebrated. More photos to follow next week in the newsletter or catch

them on Twitter!





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<u>Happy Helpers</u>



We have many events coming up in November and December including the Christmas Fair (see dates for your diary) Can you help?

Last year we raised money to install new Interactive whiteboards in all our classrooms and they are fantastic! This year we would like to fundraise to renovate some areas of our school.

We always welcome willing helpers to assist with all our events and could not do many of these events without our volunteers. It doesn't matter how many

events you help at - all help is welcomed.

Please contact Cheryl Fry or the school office (who will pass on your details) If you can offer a couple of hours to help at events.

Friday 15th November - Children in Need : We are asking everyone to dress spotty for the day (suggested donation £1) We will also be having a cake sale for the children at 2pm. We are asking for donations of cakes to be delivered to the office in the morning please. All cakes will be between 20p and 50p so send your child with some change if they would like a yummy afternoon treat.



Thursday 28th November: Woodland art day - the children will be enjoying our surroundings in the afternoon of this day. We would like to ask that they come to school in 'playout' clothes which are older and can get dirty. They will be exploring art with the nature around them and taking part in an in school inter-house competition!

Wellies may be needed, please bring in a separate bag to change into.

<u>Monday 2nd December - Author Day - David Walliams</u>: We will be celebrating the work of David Walliams on this day (no dress up) The children will enjoy activities based around his books. There will be an inter-house competition (more details to follow next week)



Stay and Play

at Dr Walker's Church of England Primary School Wednesday 4th December – 2-3pm.

We are inviting all parents, families and children to stay and play at the school. If you are considering your school place for September 2020 we are inviting you to spend some time at the school and meet some of the staff. Children and parents will be able to have a look at the reception classroom and enjoy inside and outside! Meet the reception teacher and ask questions. Refreshments will be provided.

Please call the school office to book your place on 01277 899298.

Class collective worships: 9.15am All welcome		
Date	Leading	Value theme
Thursday 14th November	Caterpillars/Ladybirds	Perseverance
Thursday 28 th November	Hedgehogs	Courage
Thursday 12 th December	Badgers	Compassion

Class Collective Worships: 9.15am All welcome

Prospective Parents - Come and visit our school - OPEN MORNINGS 2019 - 9.30-11am



Tuesday 12th November 2019 (FULLY BOOKED) Tuesday 10th December 2019

<u>Open Mornings</u>: Above is information about our open mornings for prospective parents and carers. Please pass onto anyone you know who will be looking for a school place in September 2020 and of course if you have siblings please book your place on an open morning. Leaflets will be coming home in book bags to share with friends and family. WE ARE NOW FULLY BOOKED FOR THE 12THNOVEMBER, there are still spaces on the 10th December. If you are unable to make this date please contact the school office and we can try to accommodate you with a tour of the school.

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 11th November Remembrance Day- Dress up WW1/2 invite to follow for afternoon tea for parents/carers/families from 1.30pm.
- Tuesday 12th November 9.30-11am Open Morning
- Wednesday 13th November Flu Immunisation (Nasal)
- Friday 15th November Children in Need (Dress Spotty for £1) and cake sale
- Thursday 28th November Woodland art day please send children in 'playout' clothes and a pair of wellies/old shoes to change into.
- Monday 2nd December Author Day David Walliams (no dress up just for information)
- Wednesday 4th December 2-3pm Stay and play for pre-school September 2020 school ready children please contact office to book your place.
- Thursday 5th December Whole school to the Panto!
- Friday 6th December Reindeer day (more details to follow) Families welcomed at 2pm
- Tuesday 10th December 9.30-11am Open Morning
- Thursday 12th December Christmas Fair 3.30 5pm
- Monday 16th December Christingle Carol Service at St Nicholas Church children to be picked up from Church at 3.15pm. Service begins at 2.30pm all families welcome.
- Wednesday 18th December Whole school Christmas lunch.
- Wednesday 18th December Children can be picked up at 1.30pm
- Wednesday 18th December End of term
- Thursday 19th December INSET Non Pupil Day

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