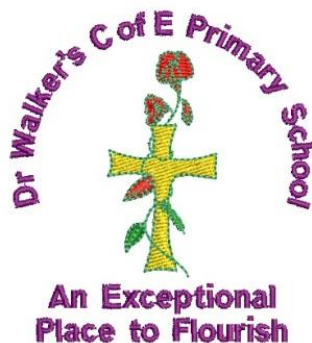


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Build **Perseverance** and **Creativity**.

Combine Christian values with **Courage** and **Compassion** for us to become successful British Citizens.



25th October 2019

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Attendance Ted will be in Hedgehogs Class the week after half term - 95.8% - 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. 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 95.5%

Remembrance Afternoon Tea and dress up day: Monday 11th November : We are inviting parents, carers, grandparents and extended family into school to celebrate Remembrance Day from 1.30pm. Afternoon tea will be offered at 2.30pm. The children are asked to dress in WW1/2 costumes for the day. We hope you can make it - please see attached reply slip.

Home reading quest: It has been lovely to see so many signed reading records in school and the commitment to reading is shining through. Many of the children attended book club this week with Miss Morley. This is a drop in club and everyone enjoyed it. Don't forget to return your home reading commitment slip to the school office.



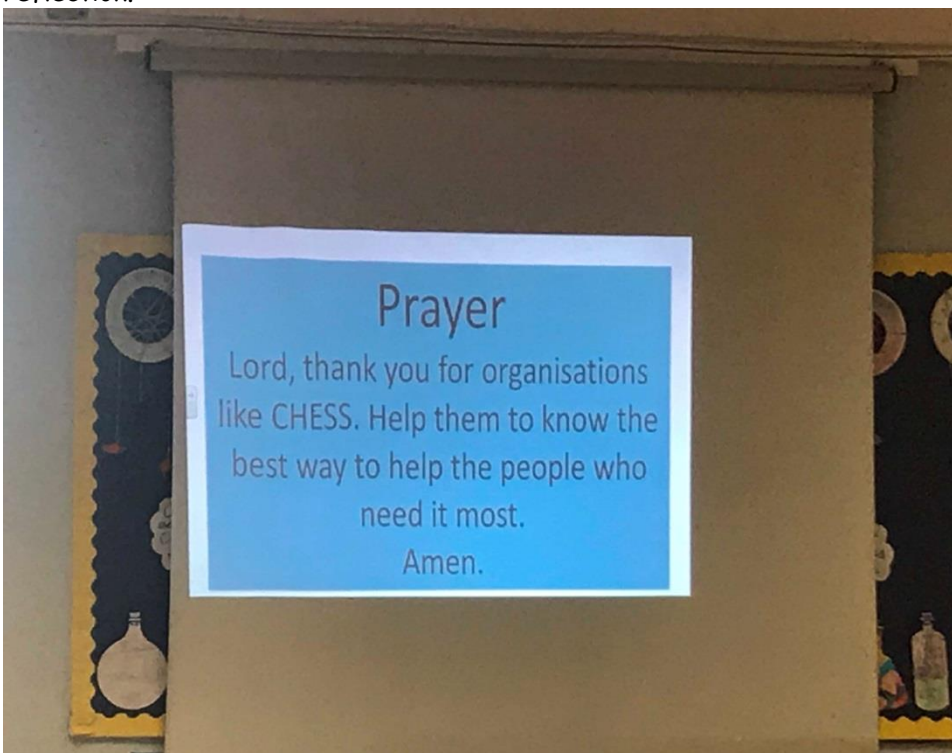
Elmer Friendship Day - Friday 8th November: This is national friendship day and the following week 11th-15th November is anti-bullying week. On Friday 8th we are asking children to come into school in their brightest colours just like Elmer as we have a day focus on friendships and how to work together even when we are all different. The following week, each class will be taking part in mini activities all week to learn more about what bullying is and how to ensure we are a bully free zone.



Essex Fire service: It was lovely to welcome Roy from the Fire service who talked to the children about trick and treating safety and firework safety. I think we all learnt a couple of new things to help keep us safe during half term and beyond. Please remember to look out for candles near costumes and always attend with your children while they are trick or treating. Ask your child what they found out about how to keep safe!



Chess: Agnes from Chess has been visiting us weekly to present Collective worship. This has been great for the children as we have all learnt what CHES do and how we can help the organisation to help homeless people in our local community. We intend to maintain this link and will be doing a food bank collective after half term in preparation for Christmas. We are also looking at some other ideas for fundraising. Agnes finished the CW with a prayer which I have included in this week's newsletter for our reflection.



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 7th November	Badgers	Responsibility
Thursday 14th November	Caterpillars/Ladybirds	Perseverance
Thursday 28 th November	Hedgehogs	Courage
Thursday 12 th December	Badgers	Compassion

Aldi Stickers: We are collecting the Aldi stickers! So please bring them into school so we can add them to our wall chart in the main entrance. Thank you.

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



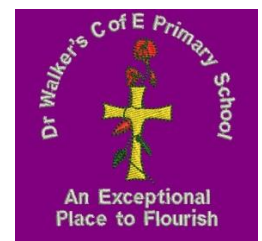
Tuesday 12th November 2019
Tuesday 10th December 2019

Open Mornings: 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 12TH NOVEMBER, 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 28th October - Friday 1st November - Half term
- Monday 4th November - children return to school
- Friday 8th November - Friendship Friday - Dress in your brightest clothes like Elmer
- 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) - Letter to follow
- 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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