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Newsletter

Friday 15th Nov 2019

Last week's
attendance
was:
92.9%

Dear parents/carers,

This week the children have taken part in a variety of activities. On Monday we had our Remembrance service at Northlew Church. The children read their own poetry and prayers they had created and the whole school conducted themselves beautifully through our two minute silence. A massive thank you to our Governor Marilyn Livingstone for leading the service and to those parents who came along. The children's prayers are displayed in the front lobby if you would like to read them.

This week the children wore their odd socks to encourage children to be kind and accepting of each other's differences and of themselves. On Thursday we had a visit from the NSPCC who carried out workshops with the children with a focus on 'Speaking Out & Staying Safe'. We hope to display what the children have learnt from these experiences in the school hall shortly.

We watched two live performances this week, as class 2 went to Okehampton College on Monday to watch the students perform their version of 'Oliver'. On Wednesday the whole school along with Boasley Cross, watched Theatre Alibi's adaptation of Michael Morpurgo's 'I Believe in Unicorns' in the village hall. The children were mesmerized throughout the performance and the characters really brought the story to life. We hope this has given the children some inspiration for our own auditions for our school Christmas performance this week; we will be giving out scripts and parts on Friday afternoon. We hope to have Theatre Alibi back at school next year with another fantastic performance.



A big thank you to those parents who came along to our first phonics group meeting last week. These happen every Friday at 2:30pm in our school and are a great way of finding out how to support your child with reading, writing and spelling. Please come along and join us, everyone is welcome.

As the weather turns cold, please can I ask that children come to school with a warm coat. If the weather is bad we ask that parents drop off and collect their children to and from the front of the school to save everyone from getting wet. A polite reminder that school begins at 8:50am and lessons and activities start at this time. If your child arrives after this time they will be marked late, and will have missed out on some vital learning activities which have been carefully planned by the adults in school.

Have a Lovely weekend,
Mrs Cook

Remember to book your child's school dinners for the coming week

<i>School Diary</i>	
November 2019	
Monday - 18th	KS1 Swimming Sessions, 1:30-2:30 (3/7)
Tuesday - 19th	TEMPEST- individual photos, 9am Big Soup Share- Northlew Church Rooms, 2:30-3:30pm Yoga after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (yr1-6)
Wednesday - 20th	KS1 sock snowman workshop - pm OCRA Multi-skills after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (yr1-6)
Thursday - 21st	Forest School with Mr Thomas- KS2 am & KS1 pm NEW- Martial Arts Grading club, 3:30-4:30pm (yr1-6)
Friday - 22nd	Mr Thomas teaching KS1- all day Parents Phonic Session (3 of 4), 2:30-3pm Celebration Assembly at 3.10pm

* You will have been notified by text if your child has been invited to take part in this event. Please confirm their attendance in School Gateway.

TEMPEST PHOTOS- date change!

Tempest has informed us that their printers have moved forward the deadline for Christmas delivery. Therefore, they have no choice but to bring forward the date for our individual school photos. This will now be taking place at 9am on **Tuesday 19th November**. If you have younger children which you would like to be photographed with their school siblings, please bring them in ready for 9am.

Children In Need 2019

Today the children helped raise funds for Children in Need by coming dressed spotty in non-uniform, staying silent & completing colouring activities during break times. The total amount raised will follow in next week's newsletter.



A big thank you to Elaine Tidwell who kindly baked some amazing cakes for the children to enjoy (they were delicious!).

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Do you think the friendships in our school are strong?



100% (42/42) of our children at Northlew said YES they do have strong relationships in school. We hope that this will be shown through our 'friendship' display which will be set up by the Ethos group soon in the school hall.

the plough
ARTS CENTRE
Great Torrington

2019-2020 Term Dates
Sat 14 Sept - 14 Dec (Excl 26 Oct & 9 Nov)
Sat 25 Jan - 28 Mar (Excl 15 Feb)
Sat 18 April - 18 July (Excl 9 & 23 May)

Play Story (3-5yrs)
9.45am - 10.45am
£40/£30 Supporters

Infants (6-7yrs)
11am - 12noon
£40/£30 Supporters

Juniors (8-12yrs)
1pm - 3pm
£75/£60 Supporters

Seniors (13-18yrs)
3.15pm - 5.15pm
£75/£60 Supporters

Fee to be paid on the first session of each term

Plough Youth Theatre

To find out more & book a FREE taster session contact our Box Office on 01805 624 624 or email sophie@ploughartscentre.org.uk

ap achieves philanthropy prize

SUPER LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



a cat on a bed
a sad man
a ball and a ball
a hug and a kiss
a fox and a pig
a cat and a rat
a cat in a hat
cats and dogs
Laila

Class 1

Laila has shown fantastic understanding of the letters and sounds taught through the term and is now using this independently in her writing. Well done Laila!

Class 2

Jake was extremely responsible and supportive to another child with their math learning. He chose to stay in at break time and clearly explain the concept showing his own understanding.



Christian Ethos- 'Peace'

Class 1

Alfie has shown our Christian value of peace when sharing and turn taking with a child in reception, setting a good example to others.



Class 2

After a small accident with another child, Grace D repeatedly sought forgiveness as she wanted to restore peace between herself and her friend. Once forgiveness was given both children were happy and smiling once again.