

This week's Round up...

This week we had our first wintery weather of the season. On Tuesday, Sapphire class had a great time playing in the snow on the field whilst other classes played on the playground. On Friday morning, **Josephine, Effie, Renaiya, Daisy, Lillie May, Pippa, Martha** and **Megan** played in a **football tournament** at Hopwood Hall. After having a skills practise, they played two games against other schools and **they won** both matches! An amazing achievement from our girls – well done!

Collective Worship

Our theme this half term is Learning from David to make the world a better place.

Last week was anti-bullying week and because of remembrance we saved our anti bullying work to this week. The theme this week was 'not leaving people out'. We used the story of Zacchaeus to illustrate how Jesus treated people – even those that weren't very nice. We also found out that David didn't take revenge on King Saul, event though he had the opportunity to. We also looked at the work of Malala Yousafzai and Archbishop Desmond Tutu, two people who refused to be bystanders. This week our song was 'Peace like a River'.

Christmas Jumper Swap

If you have any unwanted Christmas jumpers, t-shirts, pyjamas etc. that are in a good, clean condition please bring them into school on 3.12.24.

We will be holding a Christmas clothing swap shop on 5.12.24, where you can purchase clothing for a ± 1.00 donation. The money raised will go towards our Reindeer Run Sponsorship (Springhill Hospice)total.

Dates for Next Week

Monday <u>Guitar and Uku</u>lele

lessons

After school Tennis

Tuesday Keyboard, woodwind and string lessons After school football (4,5,6)

Wednesday Brass lessons After school Football (1,2,3)

Thursday Afterschool Multiskills (1,2,3)

Friday Non Uniform Day – see main body of newsletter Cakes and Carols form 3.30pm



<u>Awards</u>

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to this week's stand out pupils:

Ellie B., Anna C., Bradley Ted, Martha, Sebastian, David, Brady, Theo and Rex

Congratulations also go to **Codie**, who achieved Rock Star status in Times Tables Rockstars.

Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS)

We are relaunching Times Tables Rock stars in an attempt to improve multiplication table knowledge for our children. By the end of year 4, all children are expected to know their times tables up to 12 times 12. Year 4 children sit an online timed multiplication test in June.

Weekly statistics will be published on the newsletter for children in years 3- 6. Even though children in year 5 and 6 have already sat their test, they need to retain the knowledge that they gained in year 4. All children have been given a letter with login details for home. They have also been given a heat map, showing the gaps in their knowledge. Grey squares mean it's not been tried, red indicates that they don't know them well enough and bright green show that they have got it. Even if children are bright green for every table, they still need regular chances to refresh their memories.

Effort results will be based on the previous 7 days. Effort times are the amount of time the child is working on the times tables element and does not include time spent on avatars etc.

To record a time, children need to play in Studio mode.



TTRS of the week

	Fastest 1 st	Fastest 2 nd	Fastest 3 rd	Effort 1 st	Effort 2 nd	Effort 3 rd
	Place	Place	Place	place	Place	Place
Year 3	Toby (3.33s)	Brady	Hector	Hugo (6m 7s	Josephine	Hector (3m
		(5.08s)	(8.57s)	on 2 days)	(4m 18 s on	20s on 2
					3 days)	days)
Year 4	Isla (3.9s)	Freddie B.	Oliver	Charlie (12m	Charlotte	Freddie (1m
		(4.5s)	(9.84s)	20s on 4	(3m 51s on	43 s on 2
			Quicker	days)	3 days)	day)
			than last	Most effort		
			week	throughout		
				school		
Year 5	Oliver	Bradley	Ethan	Stuart (7m	Scarlett H	Lillie S. (2m
	(0.58s)	(1.81s)	(1.82s)	16 s o 2	2m 43 s on 1	33s on 1
	Fastest in	Quicker		days)	day)	day)
	the school	than last week				
Year 6	Austin	Xiaoton	Amelia	Maisie (7m	Reggie (7m	Codie (6,
	(1.19s)	(1.44s)	(1.96s)	56 s on 4	9s on 4 dys)	56s on 4
				days)		days)

From the Office...

- Please ensure that school dinners are ordered by midnight on Sunday for the following week via Wisepay, which can be found on our school website.
- All absences from school will be unauthorised, unless there is a valid reason for the absence. Proof of medical appointments is also required.
- We have lot of lost property without names on, if your child an item of clothing missing speak to school staff.
- Please look on Wisepay for information about school trips, including the Pantomime.



My Happy Mind

This week we launched My Happy Mind, a whole school approach to creating a culture of positive mental wellbeing.

There is a dedicated area of My Happy Mind for parents to support their children at home and to reinforce what we are teaching in school.

To access the parent's site, go to My Happy Mind and sign up, using your email address and our school code which is: 105824.

Over the coming weeks, you should start to hear your child talking about their brains, how they work and something called 'happy breathing'

The link below will take to a short video explaining the programme.

https://myhappymind.lpages.co/myhappymind-parent-app-introduction/

December Dates

- 3.12.24 Christmas Jumper Swap donation
- 5.12.24 Christmas Jumper Swap Shop
- 6.12.24 Dress Rehearsals and Chocolate Donation Day for Church Christmas Fair
- 7.12.24 Church Christmas Fair (in School)
- 10.12.24 KS1 Christmas Play at 2.00pm/KS2 Christmas Play at 6.30pm
- 11.12.24 KS2 Christmas Play at 2.00pm/KS1 Christmas Play at 6.30pm
- 13.12.24 Opal and Emerald Christmas Party
- 13.12.24 Christmas Movie Night
- 16.12.24 Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Dinner/Reindeer Run for Springhill Hospice
- 17.12.24 Pantomime at Middleton Arena
- 18.12.24 Amethyst and Ruby Christmas Party
- 20.12.24 Nativity Service in church at 1.30pm



Parent's Association

No Uniform Day

Friday 29th November is a non-uniform day. We are collecting items for the Christmas Hamper Raffle. Please support us by donating the following items:

Amethyst Class- chocolates (boxes and tubs of chocolates and sweets)

Ruby Class - Cakes and biscuits (long sell by date please)

Opal Class - new small toys/stationary (fidget toys, colouring books, packets of felt tip pens etc.)

- Emerald Class toiletries/candles
- Sapphire Class Bottles/jars (long sell by dates please)

There will be a **cake and carols event on Friday 29th November** to begin the season of Advent. This is a free event, but we will be asking for donations for cake and drinks. The choir will be singing at this event and we will be switching on the Chritsmas lights at school.

The second event is our **Chritsmas Movie Night** which will be held on **13th December**. More details are to follow.