



### Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Thank you for the generous donations for our Christmas Fayre. See you tomorrow 2pm-4pm.

### PARENT GOVERNOR

There is a vacancy for a parent or carer to join our School's Governing Body. I would be delighted to hear from anyone who might be interested in finding out about this important role.

### STAYING SAFE ONLINE

Please have a look at the school's new acceptable use policy (link above) which each class will discuss and sign to help children learn the best ways to stay safe online.



### SPACE NIGHT

Year 5 excelled themselves this week at their Space Camp. Postgraduate students of Astrophysics from Warwick University visited with two super powerful telescopes on a perfect cloudless, if rather chilly night which gave us all a great view of Mars, the moon and its craters. Well, actually we saw the intricate pattern of craters inside the craters too and learnt about black holes, space dust and zero gravity.

### PERFECT POPPIES



Following the recent exhibition of our pupils' poppy art work at St Chad's Church for their Armistice exhibition, I am delighted to announce that Mrs Dixon's hard work and Y3's intricate impressionist paintings have made our school the winners of the Pump Rooms Poppy Art Competition. Zoom in and see what the organisers wrote:

'I am writing to congratulate you and your Year 3 pupils on winning the **first prize** in The Pump Rooms Poppy Art Competition. We were really impressed with the quality of your entry from children so young.

The reasons for judging and placing your entry first were three fold: the art work was of a very high standard, gorgeous to look at and was beautifully displayed; the preparation leading to the final product was genuinely impressive given time constraints on school timetabling; and lastly we really liked how you had given the children choice of which medium to use to make their poppies for the art work.

The first prize as you may remember is to have your Art work displayed in the Museum and Art gallery and to have a complimentary day session in the Art Gallery studio work shop. We look forward to seeing you soon and once again congratulations on your well-deserved win.'

### SHELTERBOX APPEAL

So far we have collected an astonishing £1,636.90 which will purchase TWO Shelterboxes for disaster relief around the world. Watch this space for details of how we can track where they go to.

### CLASS OF THE WEEK

Reception pupils have been using 'magic mirrors' to double numbers. Look at them hard at work:



### STARS THIS WEEK

Congratulations to: Harvey and Rhys (6), ALL of Y5, Oliver McF (4), Zoe (3), Arlo (2), Abraham (1) and Harry (R). Head Teacher's stars are our JRSO's Eli, Lily H (again!) and Marty whose public speaking surprised us all in assembly when they announced their new road safety competition.

### MICROSOFT 365 FOR FREE

If children use a PC or laptop at home or if you are buying one for a pupil for Christmas, it's worth knowing they can use Office 365 by using their school email and password. For example, [f.bloggs@welearn365.com](mailto:f.bloggs@welearn365.com) with the password that fred bloggs set up in school.

### BEST ATTENDANCE

Last week it was Y5 with a massive 99.7%. Well done! And finally, a joke for Y5, [Einstein](#) developed a theory about **space**, and it was about time too!

Best wishes, Andy Brettell Head Teacher

Word of the week: INTRICATE