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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you very much for all of your generous donations this week when purchasing poppies and the related poppy items. The office staff have reported that we have never sold so many of the items and the donations pot was completely full to the brim. The money raised will all be going to the British Legion so thank you all once again.

Next week is a busy week in school and as it is anti-bullying week, Children in Need and Year 3 have their Stone Age Day too. More details of this can be found below.

Take care and stay safe,

Paul Quarry

Headteacher

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week and all week, children will be participating in activities to help to promote this. On Monday 15th November, we will be asking children (and staff) to come to school in odd socks to mark the start of Anti-Bullying week. More information can be found here:

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/odd-socks-day>

What is Odd Socks Day?

Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week and this year it's taking place on Monday 15th November.



YEAR 3 – STONE AGE DAY

On Tuesday 16th November, Year 3 are having a Stone Age Day. A letter should have reached you regarding this. Please do not feel that you need to buy an outfit, or even come dressed up for this event - a messy hairdo alone is absolutely fine. Children will be completing lots of stone age themed activities throughout the day so an outfit is not an essential.



CHILDREN IN NEED



On Friday 19th November, it is Children in Need and again we will be trying to raise money for this fantastic cause. All donations are voluntary and not an expectation.

The School Council met this week and we looked at the reasons behind Children in Need and the history of it. Following this, we had a discussion about what they would like to do to mark the day. They came up with some fantastic ideas but the favourite we settled on was to be able to come in pyjamas or onesies. They did though think that if children did not want to wear their onesies or pyjamas, they can come in an alternative to usual school uniform such as: dress as Pudsey Bear; dress in yellow; come in spotty clothes or simply wear your favourite clothes.

The other popular request the School Council had was to suspend usual school work for the day and, instead, complete activities to learn more about why we celebrate Children in Need every year and who our donations actually help. Therefore, throughout the day, children will be learning more about Children in Need and completing a range of activities related to it.

I do have to say that the School Council were brilliant during the meeting and I cannot wait to see what other fantastic ideas they will come up with throughout the year to help improve our school.

GOLDEN DAY

A huge well done to Year 1 and Year 3 who have both won a Golden Day which they will celebrate at the end of the Autumn Term. Both classes managed to make it through the whole term without losing any minutes at all. They will now get to choose the curriculum for the day as a reward for being respectful, responsible and resilient! Well done!

KEY STAGE 2 – MERIT TEAM DOJO POINTS

This week, we have recognised the children in each class, and merit teams, who have earned the most dojo points. Dojo points are awarded for being respectful, responsible and resilient as well as completing work in school and additional work well (such as completing homework and reading at home).

Our top dojo point scorers in Key Stage 2 are currently:

- 1st place – 292 - Anastasia in Year 5 Greeks**
- 2nd place – 273 - Noah P in Year 5 Victorians
- 3rd place – 262 - Koen in Year 6 Greeks
- 4th place – 258 - Ebony in Year 5 Vikings
- Joint 5th place – 249 - Nicole in Year 6 Victorians
- Joint 5th place – 249 - Annabel in Year 5 Victorians
- Joint 5th place – 249 - Alissa in Year 6 Greeks

ASSEMBLIES

This week, we have been learning about Remembrance Day in assemblies. Some questions you could ask your children to check their understanding could be:

- **Which flower do we wear to remember?**
- **Can you tell me 2 other ways that people remember those who protect us now and those who have protected us in the past?**
- **What colour flowers do people wear to remember in India, Pakistan and France?**

Attendance – Autumn 2 – Week 2









Year Group	Attendance (%)
UFS	98.7%
1	95.6%
2	96.5%
3	95.5%
4	95.3%
5	98.7%
6	96.3%
School Average	96.7%

Target = 97%

This week, congratulations go to Year 6 who were our attendance champions.

GOLDEN WORKERS

This week we have RECOGNISED pupils who have been RESPONSIBLE around school.

Golden Assembly - Core Values		
	Respect being respectful being tolerant being kind	
	Resilience being resilient showing perseverance valuing self-worth	
	Responsibility being responsible being honest being reflective	
	Recognition showing appreciation taking pride	
Date:	Autumn 2 - Week 2 - Friday 12 th November 2021	
Year group	Pupil	Reason
1	Harry	For being an extremely responsible member of our school who takes great pride in all that he does. He understands how he can be responsible in many different ways and understands the importance of doing so. He is an excellent role model to others.
2	Kylan-George	For showing he is reflective and able to learn from mistakes to help him take responsibility for his own learning.
3	Callum	For always taking responsibility for his own learning by listening carefully, working extremely hard and asking if he doesn't understand something. He is a sensible and responsible pupil who always tries to make good choices and set an example to others.
4	Willow	For being responsible in class, taking care of things and she is responsible around school, making sure she keeps safe by lining up sensibly.
5	Noah	For always taking responsibility for his learning by consistently working hard and challenging himself, especially in maths, even when work is difficult.
6	Antek	For always working his hardest and learning from his mistakes.

DIARY DATES – Autumn 2 – 2021-22	
DATE	EVENT
Monday 15 th November – Friday 19 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 16 th November	Year 3 – Stone Age Day
Wednesday 17 th November	School Nurse Screening for Y6
Friday 19 th November	Children in Need
Friday 26 th November	School Photos
Wednesday 1 st December	Flu Mist Vaccination
Monday 6 th December – Friday 10 th December	Assessment Week
Friday 10 th December	Christmas Fair and Art Gallery – Calendar Sale PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED LIKELY TO BE PUPILS ONLY THROUGH SCHOOL DAY
Tuesday 14 th December	Nursery and UFS Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Wednesday 15 th December	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Thursday 16 th December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Friday 17 th December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Party PROVISIONAL DATE – TO BE CONFIRMED
Friday 17 th December	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 4 th January	SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR SPRING TERM

STANDARD ITEMS

Free School Meals Information

PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR PARENTS / CARERS OF PUPILS IN UFS, YEAR 1, YEAR 2 or YEAR 3

You can apply for income-related free school meals on the Wakefield local authority website:

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/free-school-meals>

You are now able to complete the form online so it really has never been easier:

<https://forms.wakefield.gov.uk/Forms/schools/freeschoolmeals.aspx>

If your child is in UFS, Y1 or Y2, they are eligible for Universal FSM but **you can still apply if you think you are eligible for income-related free school meals**. If your child is in Year 2 and receiving universal free school meals, please remember that this will stop when they move into Year 3 (**if your child has just moved into Year 3, this means that unless you are entitled to FSM, they will no longer received free school meals**), so please ensure you have applied if you think you eligible.

School receives additional funding for the number of pupils in receipt of free school meals and it has never been as important as it is now to try to provide crucial interventions to help pupils catch up – any additional funding will help us to achieve this goal.

SAFEGUARDING AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBING SUPPORT

Wakefield I Can - Online resource for children and young people in Wakefield

<https://wf-i-can.co.uk/>

Hazlehurst Centre – sexual violence and/ or sexual abuse support

<https://www.hazlehurstcentre.org/>

CHILDLINE – Removing Nude Images

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/remove-nude-image-shared-online/>

The Hideout – Domestic Abuse advice and support for children

<http://thehideout.org.uk/>

WDDAS – Domestic Abuse advice and support

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/adults-and-older-people-services/domestic-abuse>

Relationship Matters – advice about parental conflict

<https://relationshipmatters.org.uk/>

Talk to Frank – Information about drugs

<https://www.talktofrank.com/>

Turning Point – Advice and support for drug and alcohol problems

www.turning-point.co.uk/wakefield

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

<https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/services/forensic-child-and-adolescent-mental-health-services-camhs/>

Young Minds

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

NSPCC

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

Samaritans

<https://www.samaritans.org/>

The Children's Society

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/see-hear-respond>

Barnardo's

[Believe in children | Children's charity | Barnardo's \(barnardos.org.uk\)](#)

Winston's Wish

[Winston's Wish - giving hope to grieving children \(winstonswish.org\)](#)

Wakefield Families Together

<https://www.wakefieldfamilies-together.co.uk/>

ONLINE SAFETY

Parent Info – help and advice for families in the digital world

<https://parentinfo.org/>

Thinkuknow – advice and guidance to keep children safe online

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

NSPCC – Online Safety

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Lego – Online Safety

<https://www.lego.com/en-gb/sustainability/children/digital-child-safety>

Net Aware (NSPCC) – Guidance about games and apps

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/>

CEOP - Child exploitation and Online Protection

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>

OTHER USEFUL SITES / CONTACTS

Wakefield SEND Local Offer

<https://wakefield.mylocaloffer.org/Home>

STAR – Bereavement Support

<https://starbereavement.org.uk/>

ICON – Coping with crying babies

<https://iconcope.org/>

NHS – 999 for emergencies or 111

POLICE – 999 or 101 for non-emergencies

CHILD LINE – 0800 1111