

# Newsletter 10

Friday 20th November 2020

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### Anti bullying week

Our slogan for Anti bullying week this year has been 'United Against Bullying' and we have explored with the children how they are able to play their part in the prevention of bullying in our school. We used collective worship time and class PHSE lessons across the week to draw attention to the following:

- Celebrate difference
- Ask others to play if they are on their own
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Include others
- Don't laugh at others

Of course, children were also invited to wear odd socks throughout the week as a reminder that we are all different and that difference should be tolerated and in fact celebrated. Here you are able to see the children sporting their latest fashion!



Please find below a link to the "United Against Bullying" booklet produced as a tool for parents and carers.

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/field/attachment/Anti-Bullying%20Week%202020%20-%20pack%20for%20parents.pdf>

### Parent questionnaires

From midday Monday 23rd November until 3pm on Friday 4th December, we are inviting parents to complete a short questionnaire. The link for this questionnaire will be sent out to you on Monday 23rd, via dojo and is an online response, so there is no printing required. We are keen to seek your views and whilst we understand that at present you may not have as much close contact with school as you used to pre-COVID, we are still interested to hear from you. We would appreciate your co-operation in ensuring that any responses do not identify members of staff or children directly.

**Please note that you will only be able to access the questionnaire between the dates and times above.**



### Please give us space

Please be reminded that during drop off and pick up, there are blue boxes which denote social distancing for parents and the staff at the school, to ensure safety for all—please observe the use of these boxes.

Over the course of this week, we have noticed that some parents have been standing close to the gate, which compromises our arrangements and which prevents the children from entering and leaving the school premises in a safe way. To ensure that we are all playing our part it would be helpful if parents could pass on any messages to staff by either dojo, by e-mail to the school office or by a quick phone call rather than by what can turn out to be lengthy conversations around the gate. Please be assured that all messages that are received are passed on in a timely manner. Please provide the space that we all expect at this crucial time—staff are working very hard to keep our school community safe and all we ask in return is that you do the same.

# Headteacher roll of honour

Cara in Carnelian Class—Cara has been helping us all to learn more about Google Classroom and has even created her own 'how to' videos to guide the children in school. What an amazing help you have been Cara, thank you!

Libby in Turquoise Class—It has been incredible to see Libby's progress in spelling recently. She has shown a determined attitude—well done!

## Forthcoming Dates

1st December—Reception to Year 6 flu vaccinations

1st December—Don't forget to listen to us singing on Star Radio

11th December—Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day (more details to follow shortly)

14th December—Christingle Service (more details to follow shortly)

17th December—Christmas party and Festive fun afternoon event (more details to follow shortly)

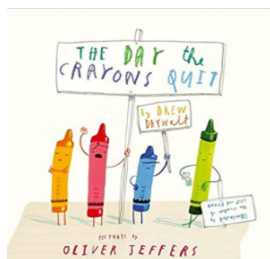
18th December—Christmas carols (more details to follow shortly)

18th December—Last day of term

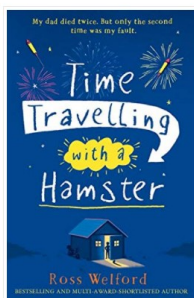
4th January—Training day (school closed to children)

5th January - All children return

## Recommended Reads



Key Stage 1/Reception—**The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt**: In this humorous story, the crayons have finally had enough, 'We quit' they say after many occasions of being misused and unloved by their owner. Once this book has been enjoyed, it may be good to follow up with 'The Day the Crayons returned!'



Key Stage 2—**Time Travelling with a Hamster**: A moving and memorable story about time travel. When Al reads a letter it sets off a chain of events in which he races back to 1984 to try and save his late father.