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NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER (2)

Dear Parent / Carers



Thank you.

Firstly, a big **thank you** to all the children who contributed to the **Remembrance Service at Church** yesterday. It was good to see so many children in school uniform, as well as pupils who belong to other children's and young people's groups. The wreaths made by each class are now posted on the church railings as well as a sea of home-made poppies created by groups in the scouting and guiding movements which were a great idea and looked brilliant. Well done to you all.

Year 6 centre their **Enterprise Activity** around this event and have raised approximately £170 by selling decorated biscuits and their clay poppies to donate to the Royal British Legion. Thank you for your support.

THANK YOU

Another big Thank you to FOMS who organised and ran the **jumble sale** on Friday raising just over £60 which will be added to the Bags 2 Schools money when the 'left-over' Jumble is collected tomorrow.



Friday is **Children in Need day** and children may add something **spotty** to their school uniform for a donation of 50p. We will be holding a **talent competition within school** in the afternoon and competitors and pupil spectators will need to pay a fee of **50p or a more** generous donation if possible. If we have a huge number of entrants, each class will watch and **judge their 5 best entrants** to perform in front of the whole school in the afternoon. Children can sing, dance, recite poetry, play an instrument, perform magic or any other of their fabulous talents.



Caitlin Scott Murphy in Year 6 has had lots of success with her swimming which we have celebrated in Friday Sharing Service but which we haven't yet mentioned in the newsletter (sorry Caitlin). She has achieved numerous speeding tickets, bronze and gold medals and as a result of her hard work and dedication now represents Gloucestershire county.



Photograph orders have to be in on Wednesday!

If your child reaches a standard where they represent the Forest of Dean or Gloucestershire or the South-West or indeed National teams (One of Mrs Dowding's ex-pupils, Mo Hunt, is in the ladies' England Rugby Team.) please send in an **email for a newsletter mention.**



We are pleased to hear from all children about their achievements outside of school and regularly celebrate awards such as swimming certificates, music grades, martial arts belts, football and rugby successes and gymnastics awards as well as more unusual hobbies and pass-times such as Rookie Lifeguards, horse riding, and even skiing. Every person is different and having success in one area of life often breeds confidence and leads to success in other areas so any encouragement we can give, we are more than happy to do so.

This week is **anti-bullying week** and once again we will be discussing what bullying is (targeting someone several times on purpose either in person or using social media- not a fall out with a friend that is patched up in the following few days) reinforcing with the children the importance of being a good friend, of treating other people as you would wish them to treat you and what to do if they or someone else is being bullied. We are a telling school and encourage children to tell an adult if they are worried about themselves or about someone else. We ask each child to nominate an adult that they feel is someone they could approach with a concern, Children will be producing 'Friendship Posters' and making 'Friendship Key Rings' to attach to their bags. To have good friends children need to demonstrate that they can be a good friend- being encouraging and positive and welcoming to other children- saying and doing nice, kind things.



PACK A SHOEBOX

Christmas Shoebox deadline is Wednesday 22nd November!



Friday 24th November please bring chocolate.
Friday 1st December please bring Tombola/raffle prizes!



Christmas Fayre is Saturday 2nd December. Raffle tickets are on their way – Please sell as many as you can!