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During assemblies this week we thought about the different things that might help us recall memories from the past, be that, for example, a photograph, a souvenir or a memento. We then linked this to the poppies that many people wear at this time of year as a means of remembering those brave men and women who have given their lives in conflict. The Year 5&6 children, with the help of Mrs Reid, made a fabulous wreath of poppies to be placed on the War Memorial in Sunday's Service of Remembrance and they have written their own prayers, or hopes, for peace which will be displayed in the Church and made into a book.

Stars of the Week—5th Nov

Congratulations to the following children who impressed us last week with their attitudes to learning.

Reception: **Ellie**—for being very brave and confident in the classroom, with her friends and with her learning

Years 1&2: **Jaco**—for taking part in classroom discussions, putting his hand up all the time, and for really good joined up writing

Years 3&4: **Grace**—for fabulous maths, working very hard and persevering with column addition and subtraction

Years 5&6: **Arthur M** —for his very responsible attitude in the classroom, showing us how grown up he is becoming

Last week's Good Manners' Champion was **Harry** in Year 5.

Good Manners' Champion—5th Nov

Harry is incredibly polite and impresses me every day with his natural good manners, for example the way he stops, without fail, to say goodbye to me as he leaves. The children had so many things they thought Harry should know, many of which centre around the pitch: *Harry never leaves anyone out on the pitch; he is always kind to people; when we were surfing or doing activities at Yenworthy, Harry was encouraging to everyone and reassured people who were nervous and told them it was fun, not scary! Harry's a good sport; if someone trips over, Harry helps them up; he is a giving person; Harry is very good at spreading a smile! Harry's always happy on the pitch—even when he loses he says "We did well!" On the pitch one of the younger children fell down on their knees and he ran over to see if they were OK; when I ask who's team I can play on, Harry always says I can play on his team!* Well done Harry—you are full of fun and with fabulous manners to both children and adults and you should feel very proud!

Reminder— Please Lock the Main Gate!

For safeguarding reasons, the main gate should always be locked shut using the external sliding bolt. Thank you!



Flu Immunisation—ACTION NEEDED!

The school nursing team will be in school on Monday 22nd November to carry out flu immunisation on children from Reception to Y6. **Please note that you are required to give consent before Thursday 18th November if you wish your child to be immunised, using the link in the letter sent home. If consent is not given, your children will not receive the immunisation.** Please contact Angela if you have difficulties with this.

Parents' Evenings

We were so pleased to see an almost 100% turnout at our first real life Parents' Evenings since October 2019. Thank you for helping us to ensure the evenings ran almost to time!

Dates Coming Up

Tues 16th Nov—Pirate Dance for KS1 children
Thurs 18th Nov—Flu immunisation—last date for consent
Fri 19th Nov—Non-Uniform Day—for Children in Need
Mon 22nd Nov—Flu Immunisation Rec to Y6
Wed 1st Dec—Ball Skills for Y4 children—CN School
Thurs 2nd Dec—Literary Quiz CN School—selected Y56
Tue 7th Dec—Rec/KS1 Nativity 2pm and 6pm (tbc)
Sat 11th Dec—Village Carol Service at 5pm—St Michael's
Fri 17th Dec—Christmas Service—St Michael's—9am
Fri 17th Dec at midday—end of term

Club News

We are very pleased that we have an exciting range of new extra-curricular clubs, primarily for our older children, starting next week, Monday 22nd November. All clubs will run from 3.15-4.15 at a cost of £5. Numbers will be limited and clubs should be booked and paid for using ParentPay.

Monday

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| Recorders | Mrs Platt | Y3-Y6 |
| Art | Mrs Butler | Y1&2 |
| Art Explorers | Jane Zibarras/Mrs Reid | Y4-Y6 |

Tuesday

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| Netball | Mrs White | Y3-Y6 |
| Drama | Miss Northcote | Y3-Y6 |

Thursday

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| Computing | Miss Read | Y3-Y6 |
| Football | Mark Andrews (already running) | Y3-Y6 |
| Bloxham Activities | Bloxham School and Mrs Reid (already running) | Y3-Y6 |

Childcare Choices Childcare Scheme

Great news—we are now signed up with the government Childcare Choices scheme which can effectively reduce the cost of childcare care for working parents.

This scheme can be used to pay for extra-curricular clubs as well as our wraparound provision (Breakfast Club and Stay&Play). You need to register online at [Childcare Choices](#) using the provider code, exactly as here: **123002 OX74DB**

For every £8 you put in to the scheme, the government will put in an additional £2 up to a maximum of £2,000 per year per child. This means, in essence, that if your child does two clubs per week, you will pay £8 rather than £10 and the difference will be made up by the government contribution.

Village Carol Service—Sat 11th Dec –5pm

The school has again been invited to take part in the village Carol Service, which is always a very special occasion. If you are planning to bring your children along please let us know. We will sing a carol or two (dependent on how many we are expecting) and some of our older children will do a reading.

Harvest Collection for the Foodbank

A huge thank you to all of those who contributed to our Harvest collection for the Chipping Norton Foodbank. We had a fabulous response, after a slow start - look what we did together!

Stars of the Week —12th Nov

Congratulations to the following children who impressed us last week with their attitudes to learning.

Reception: **Ottilie**—for working independently and wowing us with her skills!

Years 1&2: **Louis**—for wowing Mrs Butler with some fabulous subtraction

Years 3&4: **Jacob**—for being an absolute super-star, even with a broken arm!

Years 5&6: **Emelia** —for being so positive and determined this week, taking everything in her stride

Good Manners' Champion—12th Nov

This week's Good Manners' Champion is **William C** in Year 6. William has exceptionally good manners to both children and adults; he is quiet, responsible and kind and other children value and respect this in him. The children thought we should know: *in netball, William is really supportive, saying "You can do it!" to encourage people; when we were in Yenworthy, William got a special stone and when it was called out I knew it was perfect for him, because his word was "empathy"; whenever my brother Arthur comes home he always tells me how kind you are William; you speak really gently and softly and you say my name which is very grown up and polite; I always see you having fun with your friends and you never look grumpy; you are a very good buddy! Arthur is a very good sport—even if his team isn't winning; Arthur is very good at looking out for people and if someone is hurt, he will go over and pick them up; I like playing with William because he is very kind and he looks after me!* Well done William—you should be very proud of your beautiful manners which will take you a long way in life!

