

Friday 10th November 2017

FINHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dearest Parents,

We have had a very special morning as the children and staff spent time together in preparation for Remembrance Day. Mr. Reed took our assembly looking at the Christmas Truce and the football game in 'No-mans Land.' <https://youtu.be/NWF2JBb1bvM>

We all went outside for a 'Staff v Children' football match. We were brought to silence by the amazing rendition of 'The Last Post' by Mrs Thompson and in quiet dignity and reflection, returned into school. This is the 3rd Year we have done it this way and it has become a very important Finham tradition to remember those that have made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our freedoms and the opportunities we have today. 'We will remember!'

What has become another important Finham tradition is our 'Penny Lines' for Children in Need. https://youtu.be/nCeXO_xEGGU

Next week children are encouraged to come to school as spotty and as non-uniform as they like. We are on a mission to see if we can make the longest coin line than we ever have that adds up to the greatest amount for 'Children in Need.'

During the day, our amazing choir are off to Birmingham Airport to perform and we are hoping they will be live on the BBC. This can never be 100% confirmed as TV is a fickle thing, however, they will be amazing and we will be recording their work as they join forces with the choir from Caludon Castle to raise awareness and money for 'Children in Need.'

Mrs. Owen has started an amazing project in school for all your children that we are going to launch next week. I have said in previous newsletters, one of the most important things we can do for our children is to get them to love reading. This can only happen if they love being read to, and everybody loves a wonderful story. So, each week, we are going to start our very own 'Jackanory' where a teacher will share their favourite story for you all to hear and enjoy on FROG. There will be a selection of stories for our youngest to our oldest children and the sight will build and build until we have our very own 'Jackanory' library. After Christmas we will be inviting community guests to add stories.

We really do love books at Finham Primary School.

Have an amazing weekend.

Kindest regards
Richard Machin
Headteacher

PLEASE HELP!

Mrs Bracken is making cork Christmas trees on Christmas Art Day. If anyone has any corks she can use it will be much appreciated. Please can you bring them in before the 20th November.

Thankyou!

STAFFING UPDATE

We would like to welcome Miss Lines who has been working with the children in Class 3HH. Miss Lines will be covering as Class Teacher for when Mrs Hobman commences her maternity leave in December.

SCIENCE WEEK AT FINHAM PRIMARY

We have had an amazing Science Week at Finham last week, with an explosive launch assembly by 'Jupiter Jack' from Mad Science. All children have taken part in two practical Science investigations and each phase of the school has had a Science competition to enter. Winners were:

Key Stage 1- Amy Cooper 1T and Reuben Franklin 2B

Lower Key Stage 2- William Duggan 3H and Alfie Lycett 4W

Upper Key Stage 2- Shivali Antin 5D and Mahir Khan 6HM

Thank you to the huge number of children who took part!

In addition to this, 31 children from Years 5&6 stayed at school for an exciting Science Workshop last Thursday, led by Science leaders from Finham Park School. Finham Park teachers commented on the enthusiasm and excellent behaviour of our children during the session which is lovely to hear.

Congratulations to the 12 children chosen by their teachers as Finham Young Scientists 2017. They have shown brilliant Science skills and knowledge during the week. They are:

Albie Doran and Ryan Somal Y1, Eva Lakshmi- McDonald and Iman Syed Y2, Cameron Gorman and Pragyan Mishra Y3, Leher Hegde and Oliver Luntley Y4, Charlotte Inman and Yaseen Mumin Y5 and Priyanka Harsha and Shahat Ahmed Y6.

Mrs Wilding

LOST PROPERTY

One of our Year 3 children has unfortunately lost a named red school cardigan which has the school logo on it. Please can you check at home in case your child has accidentally taken home the wrong cardigan.

Also one of our Year 1 children is missing a blue Avengers P.E bag with P.E Kit inside. Please can you check in case your child has accidentally taken it home.

PRIMARY ADMISSIONS

If your child was born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 you can apply to www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Nursery parents will have received a leaflet on how to apply for their Primary School place. The deadline for applications is 15th January 2017. If you experience problems on-line the school office has a small amount of paper copies

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 15th November – Year 6 Inspire Workshop, 9:00-10:00am

Wednesday 15th November - Nursery Inspire Workshop, 9:00-10:00am

Friday 17th November – Children in Need – non-uniform (dress as spotty as possible) – voluntary donation

Wednesday 22nd November – Year 3, Compton Verney Trip

Wednesday 22nd November – Year 5, Inspire Workshop, 9:00-10:00am

Monday 27th November – Year 4, Warwick Arts Centre Christmas Lecture

Friday 1st December – Christmas Art Day