



Autumn Term - 6th November 2020

<u>This Week</u>

The children have returned to school happy and refreshed and we have had a really positive start to the new half term. In our English this week, we have been doing War Poetry to tie in with our new History topic on World War 1. The children have done some close reading of Dulce et Decorum Est, a famous poem by Wilfrid Owen and we have analysed techniques he used as well as explored language choices. The class then went on to write their own poems. Division has been our focus in Maths and I have seen huge progress throughout the week. Please can I continue to stress the importance of learning times tables, as this has been so important to their Maths fluency this week. Miss Watson did some beautiful poppy art with the children and we also considered what a Super Christian would look like in our RE!

Our Christian Value for this week has been

Joy

But the fuit of the spirit is ... joy

Galatians 5:22

Next Week

We shall begin the week preparing and delivering a whole school worship for Remembrance Day (virtually of course). Our new novel for this half term is the classic text, The Wizard of Oz and we shall begin exploring the text. In Maths, we will begin looking at factors and multiples. The children are showing great interest in World War 1 and this work will continue in our History lesson. Miss Watson is extending this theme by learning and performing war dances in PE. Our RE unit on Life as a Journey will conclude with reflecting on what makes a Christian, and what this may mean to the children, as well as looking at the idea of pilgrimage.

Please note...

- Please read Mrs Seagrave's newsletter for information regarding the availability of poppy merchandise this year. Money should be sent in a clearly marked envelope with the name of your child and the items you wish to purchase written on the front.
- Parents' Evening letters have been sent home today. Please complete the form at the bottom and return to school by Thursday 12th November please.
- Sponsor Money for our Harvest Tearfund Appeal can be sent into school at any time. I will let you know the date for this event very soon.
- If you or any of your family have any war artefacts or memorabilia which you would be willing to share with Class 5 during our topic on WW1, I would be extremely grateful. Thank you to Faith's mum, Alison, for sharing her father's helmet plus a poem she had written and a bullet found on the WW1 battlefields – it really brought things alive for the children.

Celebration!!

Jake C – for fabulous effort in Maths this week – keep it up Jake!

Jack – for answering questions really well during our unit on War Poetry

George K – for showing absolute joy in our History topic – George is our resident historian in Class 5!

The children have all returned to school looking smart. Please try to ensure that our Uniform Policy is adhered to; black or grey socks or tights and plain black or blue joggers and hoodies on PE days please. Tuesday is still our PE day.



