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## Autumn Term Newsletter 9th November 2018

**Learn together, achieve together and be the best that we can be.**



### **Dear Parent/Carers**

Well, the winter weather might have set in well and truly but we are not letting that effect our spirits at school. If you celebrated Bonfire Night & Diwali, I hope it was a fun and safe experience, the sky was certainly lit up with beautiful colours and lights.

### **Remembrance**

On Monday the whole school joined together for a special remembrance assembly marking the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War 1. If you have not already done so please come and take a look at our wonderful poppy display in the reception area. Thank you to all who supported our poppy appeal and don't forget the lighting of the beacon on Sunday at Ellis park from 6.00pm.

### **Diwali**

Year 2 showed us a spectacle of colour when they shared with us the Hindu festival of Diwali. They performed the most famous story about a beautiful princess called Sita and a brave prince called Rama. They amazed us with their acting and clear singing voices Well done year 2!

### **Year 3 Gurdwara Trip**

We got the opportunity to visit GTB Gurdwara in Leicester, following on from our learning about Sikhism in RE. We were asked to cover our heads and take off our shoes when entering the Gurdwara, as a sign of respect - something that we have never experienced before. We learned about Guru Nanak - the founder of Sikhism and we were able to share our understanding about the five Ks. We also knew about the four doors of the Gurdwara, welcoming everybody into the building and the faith. We had a fantastic time!

### **Lunchboxes**

Here at Glenfield Primary School we are big promoters of healthy eating and love to see nice healthy lunchboxes. Please do not send your child with sweets in their lunchboxes. Thank you.

## School Uniform

A reminder of our school uniform for winter :

Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore

Light blue or white polo shirt, shirt or blouse

Royal blue sweatshirt.

## PE Kit

Blue or white tshirt

Black shorts

We do sell clean second hand uniform at our uniform shop.

## Year 4 Curriculum Assembly

Today Year 4 held their Curriculum assembly below are some of the amazing facts they shared with everybody:

Listening to stories being read out loud increases our brain's activity and develops a thirst for knowledge.

Reading develops our creativity and imagination. We can visit different worlds from the comfort of our

Reading a wide variety of texts gives us a varied and interesting vocabulary

Reading, and listening to stories, is scientifically proven to reduce our stress levels as we immerse ourselves in a world of fantasy.

I love books, reading takes you to places that only exist in books

Reading develops your memory as it builds the memory muscle in your brain- the cerebrum to be scientific



### **Children In Need**

This year our School Councillors have decided that they would like to raise money for children in need. To make things a little different from previous years, they have come up with a variety of fundraising ideas that will take place in school.

- **Guess how many sweets in the jar** -there will be a jar full of sweets, where the children can pay 50p to guess how many are in there and the child with the closest amount will get to win the jar full of sweets!
- **Design a friend for Pudsey competition**- The school council feel that Pudsey would like a new friend to help with all the fundraising he does. Can you design a new friend for him? It will be 50p to enter your design and the winner will win a treat for the class.
- **Bring your teddy to school** -For a 50p donation children will be able to bring in their teddy bear to school for the day. Please do not bring in large teddy bears or any that are of a great value.

**Please support us in raising money for a great cause.**

### **Dates For Your Diary**

- 11<sup>th</sup> November - Memorial Day - Park House/Memorial Hall from 2:30pm Beacon Lighting - 6:00pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> November - Researchers Assembly
- 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> November - Gift Emporium Ticket Sales
- 16<sup>th</sup> November - Flu Immunisations
- 16<sup>th</sup> November - Achievement Assembly
- 20<sup>th</sup> November - Solvers Assembly
- 20<sup>th</sup> November - Bags2school Collection
- 22<sup>nd</sup> November - Parents Open Afternoon
- 27<sup>th</sup> November - Year 5 Curriculum Assembly
- 30<sup>th</sup> November - Achievement Assembly
- 30<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Light Switch On
- 4<sup>th</sup> December - Gift Emporium
- 6<sup>TH</sup> December - EYFS Performance PM
- 7<sup>TH</sup> December - EYFS Performance AM
- 10<sup>th</sup> December - Pantomime
- 11<sup>th</sup> December -KS1 Christmas Performance-PM
- 12<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 Christmas Performance- AM
- 13<sup>th</sup> December - Year 5 Carols in Church - AM
- 14<sup>th</sup> December - Pantomime
- 14<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper Day
- 17<sup>th</sup> December - LKS2 Performance PM
- 18<sup>TH</sup> December - LKS2 Performance AM
- 21<sup>ST</sup> December - School Closes

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