

GRASMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 12th November 2021

Dates for your Diary



Mon 15 -Fri 19th Nov- Anti bullying week

Mon 15th Nov- Odd Socks day

Tuesday 16th Nov- Year 1 assembly 2.40pm

Tuesday 23rd Nov- Governing Body meeting

Wed 24th Nov- No Pens Wednesday

Friday 3rd December- Toy dress up day

Christmas dates will be circulated next week, this includes the Winter Fair, Christmas Jumper Day, Carol concert, Christmas lunch, End of Term parties and the Winter production!



We are planning a parent session so that you can come in and try this amazing resource. Places will be limited so look out for communications soon!

Star of the Week!



Week commencing 08/11/2021

<i>Pavlova class</i>	<i>Aiyla and Zaib-un-nisa</i>
<i>Sky Brown class</i>	<i>Skye and Emir</i>
<i>Rosen class</i>	<i>Edie and Leo</i>
<i>Simone Biles class</i>	<i>Dylan and Rita</i>
<i>Rashford Class</i>	<i>Timmy and Sam</i>
<i>Malala class</i>	<i>Eleanor and James</i>
<i>Kadeena Cox class</i>	<i>Natalia and Zohar</i>
<i>Sir Captain Tom Moore class</i>	<i>Luca and Nylah</i>

Message from Neela

Hello everyone,

This week began with a very exciting Maths Week assembly from our Maths coordinator, Jenn. Maths is taught every day at Grasmere but this was an extra special week to celebrate Maths. I was lucky to join Nursery for some very colourful work on number bonds then Year 6 for work on factors. There was some excellent problem solving from all of those children, I was very impressed!

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined Siobhan for her training on online safety. I hope you found it useful.

Next week Year 1 will end the class assemblies for this term. New dates will come out for the Spring, and we will give you plenty of notice so that you can make arrangements to attend. The children are now busy practising for our various festive events. It all sounds lovely, I personally am very excited!

Next week will be Anti Bullying week at Grasmere. Sharon has been busy planning activities. In the meantime, don't forget your odd socks for Monday!

Best wishes,

Neela



During maths week, **Sky Brown class** enjoyed listening to and acting out songs such as 'Five Little Monkeys.' We also played maths games such as seeing how many quoits we could throw into the hoop. Games like this help us to subitise and learn our number bonds to 5.



Nursery

For Maths Week, **Pavlova Class** have been learning to recognise groups of objects and count them correctly. We made ladybirds out of plasticine and we practiced counting their spots. We learnt that we need to touch each spot saying the numbers in the right order and the last number is how many!

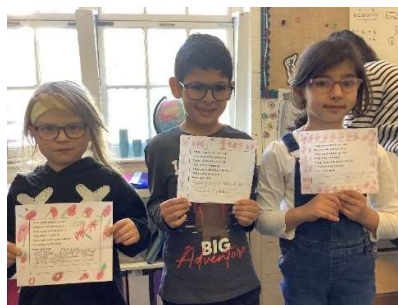
Year One – Rosen Class

Year 1 enjoyed their activities for Maths Week. We are practicing our Number Bonds to ten using lots of different structures. We have been learning how to use a 'Rekenrek' to show our knowledge of Number Bonds.



.Year Two – Simone Biles Class

In Simone Biles Class we thought about why people wear poppies for Remembrance Day. We read the poem In Flanders Fields and thought about the words used in the poem. We read a simple poem about poppies and made actions to retell the poem. We added our own lines to the poem thinking about what poppies mean to us. Some children said they represented being kind or peace and others of people who have died in wars.



Year Three – Rashford Class

The children were fantastic this week when creating dance routines to embody Diwali firework displays. We used exciting vocabulary to explore and explain how different movements looked. We were so pleased with behaviours and engagement during this week's PE lesson. Go year 3!

Malala Class have been considering the question, "What was Ancient Mayan writing like?" and have enjoyed translating our names this week.

In Year 5 History, we are learning about the ancient Kingdom of Benin this term, and have been investigating an incredible range of artefacts and books that were delivered to our class. We have been learning about Africa's past, as well as the topography of the region.



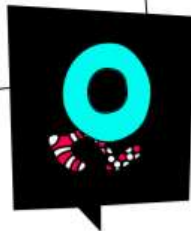


Year Six – Sir Captain Tom Moore Class

For maths week, Year 6 read the story How Big is a Million? then looked at what a million stars looked like on a huge poster. We've also been taking part in White Rose Math's Barvember, tackling problems using our knowledge of bar models.



Odd Socks Monday!



**WOOHOO... MONDAY
15TH NOVEMBER IS
ODD SOCKS DAY!**

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?

Odd Socks Day is part of Anti-Bullying Week! To celebrate that we are all unique, we ask that you wear odd socks to work on Monday 16th November. Andy Day (Cbeebies/cbbc) and his band Andy and the Odd Socks are supporting the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help bring Odd Socks Day to life again this year. Have a listen to the brilliant song they have recorded especially for Anti-Bullying Week, **One Kind Word**.

WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?

The day sends an important message that we should all be allowed to be ourselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.



A message from Nicola Sinclair, one of our parents:

Grasmere is proud to be supporting the The Winter Toy Appeal again this year and would like to invite all children and teachers to dress up as their favourite toy or character on Friday 3rd December with a suggested donation of £1. All money raised is used to purchase new toys for children who might benefit from them.

We would love to see you get creative with your costumes, here are some examples from another local school.

For more information on the appeal and how to support it visit:

<https://www.localbuyersclub.com/winter-toy-appeal>



And finally...

Thank you to our all of our dog owning families. I really appreciate that you have kept your dogs off site during drop off and pick up. Having said that, I also think it is important, and fun, for children to know a bit more about dogs, and for dog owning children to share this member of their family. We are going to have a go at a 'doggie show and tell' where at the beginning or end of a day, a child (and their adult!) can show and tell their dog. This can be outside or in the hall, and we will maintain a safe distance. If you would be interested in bringing your dog in, please let me know. Equally, if your child has dog allergies, or you would prefer your child to not be in a dog environment for a 10 minute show and tell, do let me know. I will not be bringing my dog in, he is far too mischeivous, but I look forward to meeting more of yours!

