



## Golden Ticket Winners

Congratulations to the winners of our Golden Tickets. Rhys, Chloe-Mai, Navaeh, Gabriela, Layla and Freddie were selected for all-round good behaviour; being very helpful; being kind, positive and cheerful. As always, it was a pleasure to have lunch with them today!



## Sports Festival

On Thursday 8th November, a group of pupils took part in a Sports Festival at Samuel Cody. They experienced different sports including basketball, tennis, volleyball, archery, curling, golf and active connect 4. They all had a lot of fun and we hope to take part in more festivals throughout the year.



## DIARY DATES

Wb Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Book Fair Leaflets distributed during the week
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Shakespeare Festival at Camberley Theatre
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov @ 6pm	Writing Workshop for Parents Please let us know if you are able to attend by Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov 4:00-5:45pm	Badminton event at Samuel Cody School Selected children
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Year 5 Maths Challenge at Yateley School Selected children
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Time to Shine Day Dress brightly today!
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Flu Sprays (School Nursing Service) for year 3, 4 and 5 children
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Beauty and the Beast Pantomime & another non-uniform day!
Thur 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	PTA Movie Night "Sherlock Gnomes"
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	LS Dress rehearsal to the rest of the school
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec @ 9:30am	LS Christmas performance to parents
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas card post box opens
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas hamper raffle tickets go on sale
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec @ 6:00pm	LS Christmas performance to parents
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 Evacuee Day
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Jumper Day (Donations for 'Save the Children' welcomed)
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec @ 10:00am	Christmas Service at St Christopher's Church
Thur 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch & yet another non-uniform day!
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Christmas raffle drawn during assembly
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	School closes for the Christmas holiday @ 1:30pm
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School opens for the Spring term
Thur 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	PTA meeting – all are welcome

# Assemblies

Each half term, we have a new theme for our assemblies. These are held daily and all have a link with the theme:

Mondays      Whole school assembly

Tuesday      Singing assembly

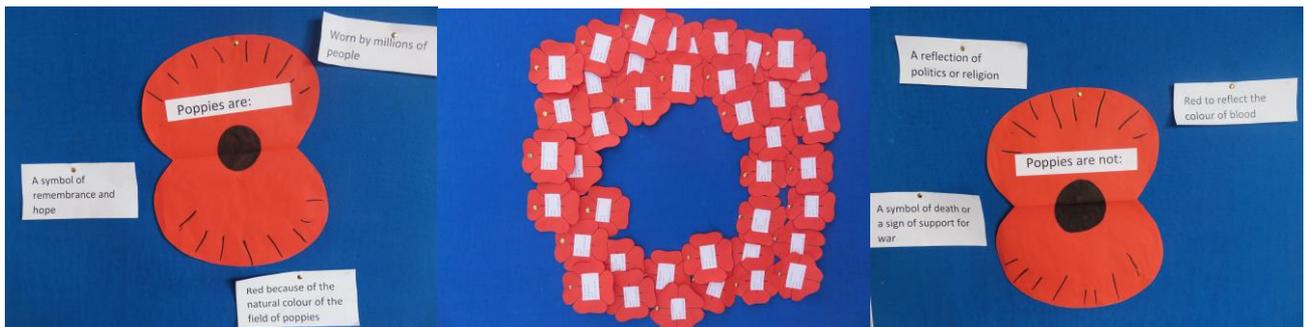
Wednesday    Class assembly or Lower School assembly

Thursday      Class assembly or Upper School assembly

Friday          Celebration assembly (this includes the presentation of Positive certificates, Golden Tickets, Class Attendance certificates and awarding the House Points Cup)

This half term, our theme is '**remembering**' and last week, Year 6 led the whole school assembly to commemorate and remember World War One. This was a very thoughtful assembly which the children presented beautifully. It included a presentation about the countries involved; the role of the British Legion; and time to remember the local residents of Cove who lost their lives during this war and their names can be found on the poppy display outside the school hall - do pop in and see it.

Thank you for all of the plastic bottles that were sent in. The children made them into poppies and they are now displayed on the playground fence as a field of poppies; a mark of remembrance to all. The children have shown great maturity and respect for the sacrifices made.



## Book Fair

The book fair is going to be carried out slightly differently this term. Your child will come home with a book club magazine at the beginning of next week from Scholastic books that includes a larger selection of books to choose from. If you would like to order any of the books there is a unique code for Cove Juniors that you insert online at the payment stage. The books will be delivered to school, and your child will bring them home. The code enables each sale to include commission for our school to spend on books for the classrooms. Watch out for the leaflets and a covering letter appearing in your child's bag at the beginning of next week.

## Library News

We are pleased to inform you that Mr Quick, a current Learning Support Assistant at our school, is taking on the role of Librarian. He will be timetabled for a few hours in the library a week, and will be helping children to pick books that capture their imagination and encourage a love of reading. For us to carry out an audit of books we have in the library please could we ask you to have a look at home for any outstanding library books that your child is not currently reading. We have over 300 missing books and it would be lovely to see as many books returned as possible. Many thanks.

## Children in Need Day

Our school has been over-flowing with spotty children today! Thank you for your kind donations which will be sent to the Children in Need appeal. We were very pleased to donate a total of £326.30



## Words of the Fortnight!

To encourage our children to use a wider range of vocabulary, we set a challenge for the children which we hope you will join in with at home too. Every two weeks, a new word is introduced in each class and the children get rewards for using them in their writing or in conversation. Our new words are:

Lower School

**'Angelic'**

Adjective - exceptionally beautiful, innocent or kind

Year 5

**'Revolve'**

Verb -to turn around a point

Year 6

**'Ration'**

Noun - your ration of something is the amount you are allowed to have

Verb - when something is rationed, you are only allowed a limited amount of it, because there is a shortage

How often can you use these words at home?

## PTA

My thanks go to everyone who attended our PTA meeting this week and to Sarah for writing our first PTA newsletter. The next PTA event is a movie night on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November where your children are invited to watch 'Sherlock Gnomes'. Please watch out for the letter and newsletter!

## Fundraising

As plans for our new building continue to develop, we will be holding a number of fundraising activities to support this project. As always, participation in fundraising events is entirely voluntary and we are always very appreciative of any support that can be offered - either through families giving of their time, making donations or attending events.

## Christmas Raffle

It is a Cove Junior School tradition to have a raffle at Christmas time with members of staff donating items for our hampers. Last year, we had two hampers (one for adults and one for children) and we were able to raise £265.50

If you would be able to join the staff and donate an item to go in either hamper, the office would be very happy to receive your gifts.

Raffle tickets will then go on sale from Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December with the draw taking place during our final assembly of the year on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

These were our hampers last year!



## Year 5 Swimming

Year Five have completed their swimming lessons for the year and the staff are extremely proud of their achievements.

The progress that was made during the three-week intensive course was outstanding and it was a privilege to watch the children grow in water confidence. Because of the strength of swimming, some children were able to complete their Self Rescue Award, which is a great achievement.

The last session involved all children swimming together in the main pool - such fun!

We would like to encourage the children to continue swimming regularly, this will ensure that water safety will be maintained and improved. Well done Year Five!

## Time to Shine Day

Next Friday is another non-uniform day where the children are invited to dress up in their brightest clothes. This is not a fundraising activity but an opportunity to raise awareness about road safety, as the evenings get darker. Please see the letter from the Road Safety Officers for more information.

## Winchester Science Centre Trip

On Thursday 8th November, Year Five left school to tour the Universe at the Winchester Science Centre. This was a fun-filled day where they visited the exhibits, shared time in the Space Exploration venue, visited the Planetarium and designed their own rockets. The packed day left everybody talking about their favourite activity.

On Friday, the children were tasked with writing to me, explaining how much they had learnt while on the trip and persuading her to make sure this school trip continues for next year. The children's excellent persuasive skills have been enough to convince me that we must hold this trip again next year!



## Winchester Science Centre Trip

Dear Mrs Hickie,

I recently heard about your wish to cancel any further trips. As a result, I am writing to you to persuade you to let us carry out these trips.

Personally, my favourite part of the Winchester Science Centre was the planetarium where we learnt from one of the instructors that one day we could move and live on Mars. We also learnt about the constellations. There were many mini investigations; one of my favourites was a sandpit. When you moved the sand around, a map was formed on the screen.

Yesterday, was one of the most exciting trips I have ever been on and it would be a shame if the year fives next year did not get to experience the learning and fun we had. Do you want them to miss out on the opportunity to expand their learning?

I hope you reconsider your thoughts about this educational trip.

Yours Sincerely

Grace

## Winchester Science Centre Trip

Dear Mrs Hickie,

I am writing to you because I believe that new year fires are not going to the Winchester Science Museum. I think it is vital that they go to the Science Museum.

Do you want the new students to have the opportunity to talk to phenomenal experts about space? The amazing experience let us learn a lot of new facts. I really feel that the hands on exhibition played a key part on helping us learn new things. My favourite activity was the activity which used your brain waves. I learnt that even your brain can move something.

The amazing, educational, knowledgeable planetarium was the best. I loved it because the scientists told us lots of incredible facts which shocked me. Did you know that there are goblin planets and there are 100 billion stars in a galaxy.

99.64891% of students can explain what happened in this exciting exhibition. I hope you consider my ideas.

Your Sincerely,  
Keshav