

10<sup>th</sup> November 2023



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TEMPLE Grafton

C of E Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

ISSUE - 5

### DIARY DATES

#### NOVEMBER

**Monday 13th**

Flu Immunisations

**Tuesday 14th**

Fire safety talk @2pm

for Year 1 and Year 5

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Disco

**Monday 20th**

Individual School Photographs

**Tues 21st**

Class 2 Heart of England Forest

#### DECEMBER

**Thurs 7th**

Class 4 RSC -

A Box of Delights

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

Class 1 & 2 Nativity

**Tues 12<sup>th</sup> 6pm**

Class 1 & 2 Nativity

**Friday 15th**

Last Celebration Assembly

**Wed 20<sup>th</sup> 9.30am**

Carol Service St

Andrew's Church

**Thursday 21st**

Santa's Breakfast

Christmas Lunch

**Friday 22nd**

Last Day Of Term

### Welcome Back

It was lovely to welcome everyone back to school on Monday morning and I hope you had a good break.



### Collective Worship

We have started this week's assemblies with a reflection on the virtue of Courage. We used the bible story of the Daniel in the Lion's Den to think about how when we are faced with difficult decisions that we have the courage to choose what is right.

### Remembrance Assembly

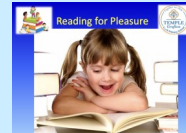


In Thursday's collective worship, we explored Remembrance as well as marking the 75th Anniversary of Windrush. The children reflected on how there are different types of types of service and how people who serve are courageous, selfless and help to protect others; they make sacrifices to protect others and how anyone can serve. (The poppies displayed were made by the pupils in Class 4.)



### Our Reading Journey

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended the information evening on reading this week presented by Mrs Pellet-Ward. It was most informative and enlightening, highlighting just how important reading is. We look forward to the children sharing their love of books through their class scrapbooks.



### Courageous Advocacy

One of our Courageous Advocates Leyla from Class 4 will lead an assembly next Tuesday to help increase awareness of diabetes. Leyla will be sharing her personal experiences and insights.



### Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is anti-bullying week that links to safeguarding within school which includes protective behaviours. As a reminder, there is practical advice for keeping children safe on our school website which can be accessed readily by clicking on School Information then Safeguarding.



### Attendance

We ended the first half of this term with 96.0% total attendance. Our target for all pupils is at least 97% so this is promising.

### Punctuality

We are still working hard to impress on the children good behaviours for learning which is significantly supported by being ready for lessons. Arriving to school on time ensures they are able to start their day calmly and ready to start lessons. **Being on site just before the 9 o'clock register in class** will help the children have the very best start to their school day.

### School Photographs

On Monday 20th November, the school photographer will be coming in to take individual and family photos. Children with long hair may come with their hair down for the photographs provided they bring a hair bobble with them to tie it up after their photos have been taken. The photographer will be available from 8.30am to take group photos for families with preschool children. When you arrive at school, please go straight to the hall with your children.



## Seasonal Shows



This year we will be able once more to invite our parents to come into school to enjoy our EYFS & KS1 Christmas production. Classes 1 and 2 will be holding two shows:

- Matinee performance: Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2 p.m.
- Evening Performance: Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6 p.m.

Class teachers will be in touch with parents in the next fortnight to advise of any costume requirements that may be needed.



KS2 will be leading our Carol Service this year which is planned to take place on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30 a.m.

# PTA NEWS

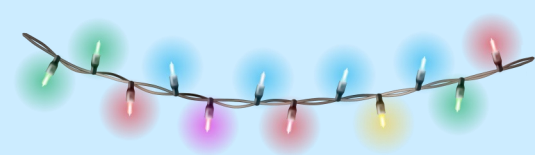


It's all busy here in PTA land. Last weeks cake sale raised over £60 so thank you again to those couple of people who donated cakes for us and all those who indulged.

We have our much loved Disco next Friday for an hour of party dances, fun, games and even the limbo! Disco is just £4 on the door this time please plus a couple of quid if the children would like to purchase from the tuck shop, glow bands and temporary tattoos.

Disco help - we are super short on volunteers for the disco with several of our regular helpers unable to join us this time please get in touch asap if you can help! Ks1 is 5:30pm till 6:30pm and Ks2 is 6:45pm till 7:45pm. Hope to see you there!

Next week we also have our PTA meeting on Thursday night 7pm at the Golden Cross to plan all things Xmas and into the new year, we would love to enjoy a drink with some new faces so please do join us if you can. Thank you!



We then kick off the festive fun with the Christmas Fayre at pick-up time on Friday, 2nd December. We will have our fabulous choir and lots of yummy goodies to enjoy.

The big man himself will be joining us a couple of weeks later for a breakfast date on Thursday 21st December.

As the nights draw in and online spending cranks up a notch (or ten) why not make some FREE MONEY for our school simply by selecting Temple Grafton PTA as your charity of choice on Amazon via the amazon smile initiative and shop via the easy funding website on hundreds of different websites to bring in the pennies for school without costing you a thing!

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## IN OTHER NEWS THIS WEEK.....



WRAPAROUND PLAY ASSISTANT— 3 DAYS A WEEK



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**7 hours/ week (38 wks/yr)**

**2 Negotiable Days 3:30 — 6pm**

**Friday 3:30 — 5.30pm**

**Pay scale:**

**Band B (NJC Scale 2-3)**

**Closing Date for applications:**

**17th November 2023**

We are looking to expand our Temple Grafton Family—we have a vacancy for a Play Assistant for our after school wraparound club.

This could work perfectly if you already have a child at school, or are just looking for a few extra hours a week.

If you think this could be the right fit for you then please get in touch for an application form.

Tel—01789 772384

# Star of the week



### Star of The Week Friday 27th Oct

Class 2 Millie

Class 3 Cobie

Class 4 Maggie

### Star of The Week Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Nov

Class 1 Ava

Class 2 Bobby

Class 3 Ethan

Class 4 Emily B