



## Remembrance

As you will be aware, it is the centenary of the end of the First World War and across the country there have been events to acknowledge the sacrifices made. Every child in our school has made a purple poppy for display in St John's Church. The purple poppies represent the animals, such as dogs and horses, that played their part in the First World War. These have been on display in the hall on the big board, but have now been moved, along with some of our themed writing to the church. Please do go along to see the Remembrance poppy displays from our school and from people from all around Stanground. There is a special service on Sunday at 10.30am.

Dragonfly and Cricket Classes are also marking the anniversary, through joining other Peterborough schools to perform at The Cresset, as part of the Schools WWI Centenary Singing Days.



## Charitable Giving



As always, we were impressed by your generous giving for our Harvest Festival and the NSPCC. Next Friday, it is Children in Need and we will be marking the day by wearing spots, in line with it's Big Spotacular theme, with a donation suggested to support this charity.

## Parents Evening and Communication

We, again, had a excellent turn-out for parent consultation evenings. This meeting is much appreciated by the teachers and the children themselves, who did a fantastic job again of presenting their learning. If you were unable to make your appointment, we will be rescheduling to ensure we have 100% participation in these meetings.

Under the 2018 Keeping Children Safe in Education guidance, all children are required to have at least two emergency contacts. Please ensure that this is the case for your child and that the additional contacts have signed their data protection form so that we could contact them in an emergency.

We are looking at ways to improve our communication and are looking into a more regular, paperless way of communicating. This would require all parents to be contactable by email. With this in mind, please ensure your email address is also correctly held by the school office, so that you do not miss out on future news and information.

## Attendance

Attendance this half-term for the whole school is 97%. National average for attendance is 96%. 

The Dragonflies, Butterflies and Bumblebees are all at 98%. Well done all! Please also be aware that late arrival limits learning. School starts at 8.45am.

*Key Dates (new or amended dates in bold)*

Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Diwali Workshop	Reception, Years 2, 4 and 5
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 12.30-1.00pm	Parent Lunch	Year 1
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm	Rock UK Residential Information Meeting	Year 5 / Year 6
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Diwali Workshop	Years 1, 3 and 6
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Day	Whole school
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 1.30-3.00pm	Reading Café	Year 4
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Governor Day	Governors in school
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 8.30- 12.00pm	EFL Kids Cup Football Tournament	Football Team
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 12.30-1.00pm	Parent Lunch	Year 2
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 3.30pm	Christmas Fayre	Whole school
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December, 2.00 - 4.00pm	School nurse drop-in	Parents
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch	Whole School
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity dress rehearsal (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)	Parents with pre-school siblings welcome to attend
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Musical dress rehearsal (Years 3, 4 and 5)	Parents with pre-school siblings welcome to attend
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity performances	Reception, Year 1 and 2
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Musical performance	Year 3, 4 and 5
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December, 2 - 3pm	Friends Association Christmas Disco	KS1
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December, 3.20 - 4.45pm	Friends Association Christmas Disco	KS2
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day (for Save the Children - donations to be made online)	Whole School
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm	Christmas Carol Service at St John's Church	Whole school - all welcome
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas holidays	Whole school
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2019	Spring Term begins	Whole School