



The Pochin School

Newsletter 12th November 2021



Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

It has been another action packed week in school. Monday the Year 6 left for their residential to Min Y Don. It looks like they are all having a fantastic time from the pictures on the school website (link on Latest News - School Events Page). The children learnt about Poppies and their importance this week, with the School Council visiting the local church to lay two wreathes made by class 4 and 5 in the Poppy Pilgrimage - please see pictures below). We also had great success at taking part in a Football and Tag Rugby Competition across the TRUST. We may not have won every match but the children were champions and gave their best - please see pictures below).

I am grateful for the feedback from pupils, staff and parents about the new behaviour policy that has been trialled in class 3 and 4. This has led to the introduction of the new behaviour policy across the school. The children have had a whole school presentation on the new policy and I was impressed with their understanding of the rules and the thoughtful questions they asked. The Policy has now been emailed out to all parents and is on the school website.

As a school we continue to be cautious when considering fundraising and whole school events. Currently we are limiting the events or activities in-line with TRUST guidance, since as a school we have significantly been impacted by Covid. We aim to be able to continue with plans towards Christmas plays and the Christmas Service in the church, with measures taken to reduce risk. As a school we thank the PTA who have had to think creatively and outside the box to accommodate these challenging times.



Wear Odd Socks Day – Monday 15th – for Anti-Bullying Week we encourage all our children to come in odd socks any colour, to raise the awareness of bullying and support Anti-bullying week.
Children In Need – Friday 19th - £1 donation – We encourage everyone to participate in this Wear what you like – but hopefully something bright – to raise money for Children in Need.



Head Teacher and House Point Awards

The following children have worked extremely hard and this has been celebrated by the pupils receiving awards in front of their peers.

Freddie, Kanwar, Miles, Theo, Enzo, Jessica, Laila, Kingsley, Orla, Aaron



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Gujarati

Cultures Celebrated within our School
 Language of the Month - Gujarati
 British Value of the Month - Rule of Law
 Pochin Value of the Month - Confidence



Diary Dates

November

- 15th Anti Bullying Week, Where Odd Socks Day
- 19th Children In Need - Wear something bright!
- 23rd Stirring the Pudding Service in the Church 9am

December

- 2nd Whole school Panto - Cinderella
- 7th Class 1 +2 Christmas Play
- 9th Class 3 Christmas Play
- 17th Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day
- 20th Preschool Christmas Concert 2:30pm
- 21st Christmas Service in Church 1:30pm

Next week School Dinners Week 3

2 main choices with sides, bread and dessert

- Mon** - Burgers or Quorn Meatballs & rice
- Tue** - Chicken Pie or Potato & Courgette Bake
- Wed** - Roast Pork or Veggie Finger roast dinner
- Thur** - Chicken Pizza or Cheese and Tomato Pizza
- Fri** - Battered Fish or Quorn Dippers with Chips

The Pochin School Sports Teams

Monday Night Football League

The year 4 and 5 football team did an amazing job playing against very well established year 5/6 teams from other school in the TRUST. We look forward to the school football team developing over the coming months.



Tuesday Night Tag Rugby Competition

The Tag Rugby team went to Wreake Valley Academy on Tuesday to play in a mini-tournament. The children played exceptionally well and things look bright for the future for rugby at The Pochin School, especially when we took a number of Year 4 pupils to a tournament for Year 5 and 6! Well played to all the children and the families that came along to cheer them





Leicester University Poppy Pilgrimage

The school was invited to take part in a special service of the Poppy Pilgrim at St Mary's Church in Barkby this week. Leicester University are doing the Poppy Pilgrim to honour those who gave up their lives in The Great War, which inspired the setting up of Leicester University whose motto is **Ut vitam habeant** – 'so that they may have life'.

