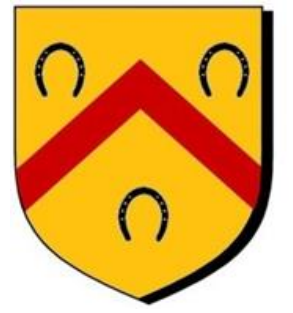




# The Pochin School

## Newsletter 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021



Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

Another busy week at school. Classes 1,2, and 3 are all working hard on their Christmas plays and we are looking forward to sharing these with parents. I know it is only November but it feels Christmassy already with the corridors filled with singing. Many of the children have made some lovely Christmas cards for our French friends and they will be posted next week.

The Key Stage 2 football team and 2 hockey teams played this week. I would like to thank Miss Evans who has organised the teams and for all the parental support at the competitions! Both the school Hockey teams came joint first!

### Wear Something Purple for World Prematurity Day

On Thursday the school will be celebrating **World Prematurity Day**. This was celebrated last week, 17<sup>th</sup> November, however with Children in Need being so close we wanted to celebrated it in its own week. We are asking children to come to school in their uniform but to add something purple to it, this might be a purple jumper, purple top, purple socks or trousers with purple on them. If children wish to donate a £1 to this cause we would ask that you bring it in and this will be donated to a local charity that supports families with premature babies.

1 in every 10 babies are born are born prematurely. We are grateful for the work of our local hospitals that supported the Zavery family when their daughter Zahra who was born 9 weeks early. We are lucky to have a happy, healthy Zahra in school today, due to the care and attention she was given in those vital early weeks of her life. We hope all families can support the school in raising funds. For those children that do not have anything purple to wear, the school council will be making and selling purple ribbons that can be worn for a donation of £1 on the day.



## 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.

**Archer, Evelyn, Hugo, Sia K, Amaya, Autumn A, Aanya, Shanneya, Alex H, Sumria, Shay, Isla-Mae, Laila, Fraser, Arya**



ગુજરાતી  
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

#### December

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Whole school Panto - Cinderella
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wear something Purple for World Prematurity Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> Class 1 +2 Christmas Play 1:30pm and 4pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> Class 3 Christmas Play 1:30pm and 4pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day (please bring a Christmas cracker)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Christmas Church Service 1:30pm

### Next week School Dinners Week 2

2 main choices with sides, bread and dessert

- Mon** - Chicken Cobbler or Vegetable Pie + rice
- Tue** - Jacket Potato or Tomato Pasta Bake
- Wed** - Meatballs & Pasta or Macaroni Cheese
- Thur** - Roast Turkey or Quorn Casserole, Roast dinner
- Fri** - Sausage or Vegetarian Sausage and Chips

# Happy Retirement Mrs Dilkes

Today at school we said a sad and teary goodbye to Mrs Dilkes. Mrs Dilkes has worked at the school for 29 years and attended the school as a child. She has been an integral part of the lunchtime supervisor team over many years and has seen over nearly 600 children through the school. The whole school thanked Mrs Dilkes for all her dedicated service over the years and have wished her a restful retirement.





Dear Parents,

### **Submitting for Bronze Accreditation to be a UNICEF Rights Respecting School**

The Pochin School aims to be a school where we have the children's rights at the heart of our ethos and culture, to improve well-being and to develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. As part of this work we are actively working towards recognition as a Rights Respecting School, an award given to schools on behalf of UNICEF UK.

UNICEF is the world's leading organisation working for children and young people and their rights in this world. In 1989, governments across the world agreed that all children have the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). These rights are based on what children need to survive, grow, participate and fulfil their potential.

Our pupils will learn about the rights by putting them into practice everyday. Rights Respecting Schools model rights and respect in all its relationships.

We really hope you are able to support our school on our journey towards becoming a UNICEF Rights Respecting School. It would be great if you could spend a few minutes familiarising yourself with the Rights yourself and talking to your children about them.

For further information about Rights Respecting School please visit [www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa](http://www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa)

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs H. Sharpe

Miss M. Evans

"Its beginning  
to look a lot like  
**Christmas"**

Friday 26th November 6pm - 8:30pm  
Saturday 27th November 3pm - 8:30pm  
at St Mary's Church, Barkby LE7 3QG

Take a ride in  
Santa's Sleigh  
to visit Santa  
in his Grotto



Festive food  
and drink

Stroll through  
the magical  
woodland  
walk

Crafts and Gifts

Covid-19 precautions will be observed