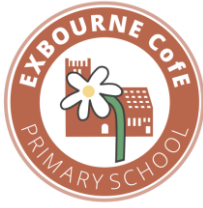


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...everyone in our Trust.



18th November 2022

Dear parents, carers,

We were able to mark Armistice Day at the war memorial by the Church as a whole school, paying our respects and offering thankfulness for all those who have been caught up in wars and lost their lives. The children were remarkable, holding a 2 minute silence at 11am and offering their thoughts and prayers. We stop. We think. We take time out of our lives and bring to mind those people who fought and suffered and died in that terrible war a hundred years ago and in other wars since.



*Dear Lord,
Let us live in peace and let wars end. Please let the
children not live in a war zone.
Let us remember the people who have sacrificed their
lives, and the children who have lost their loved ones.
Amen*

PUPIL VOICE

Our Values Champions have been conducting a whole school survey on what we are feeling thankful for in our lives. Here are some of the thoughtful responses that were collected across the school this week –

**I am thankful for the
people who support
us and try to make
our lives better.**

Mia

**I am thankful for toys
and my family.**

Molly

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I am thankful for our
playground upgrade and
the people who make it
better for the new
children in our school.

MJ

I am thankful for my
friends and for people
who support me through
good times and through
bad.

Maisie

Contact/ communication

At Exbourne C of E Primary School we promote good communication and mutual respect across our school community. Parents are welcome to speak to class teachers informally at the end of the school day. Members of staff are always available at the gate in the morning also if you need to talk. An appointment can always be made with your child's class teacher should you wish to discuss their learning/ wellbeing in more detail. If you have any other queries that cannot be addressed by the class teacher, please contact the school office and we will do our best to help you. We strive to work together positively with parents/carers towards the best outcomes for your child(ren). Many thanks for your support.

In Collective Worship this week ...

This week in Collective Worship, we have been sharing our thoughts on

THANKFULNESS as well as celebrating our in school achievements both in our learning and through demonstrating 'acts of love and good deeds.' Our daily collective worship is the heartbeat of the school and allows us an opportunity to be still and reflect, show our respect and foster spiritual awareness. We share challenges and joys as well as celebrate special times in the Christian calendar. At this time of year, singing Christmas carols in preparation for Advent is a daily act of worship.

Staffing update

We are pleased to inform you that Martin Evelyn, one of our team of principals, will be able to dedicate some additional leadership time at Exbourne Primary School beginning next week. I am sure you will join me in making Mr Evelyn very welcome.

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Class 3 continues to have regular supply cover, with Mrs Jane Hirst now teaching the class on a Thursday. We are able to maintain consistency with Mrs Doyle Monday, Wednesday and Friday and Mrs Lloyd on a Tuesday.



Countdown to Christmas!

The PFA are putting on a wonderful '**Elf Workshop**' on **Friday 25th November** after school in the hall. Please do come along and take part.

Our **Carol singing group** will be off to Castle Drogo to sing on **Friday 2nd December** – this is a small group of children who will be teaming up with pupils from across the Moorland Hub schools. We are also looking for an opportunity to sing outside Waitrose – details to follow!

Christmas Jumper Day is **Thursday 8th December**! This is also the afternoon when we are holding our **Christmas Service/ Nativity play** in the Church for all parents/ carers from **2.30pm**.

Our **Christmas lunch** will be on **Wednesday 14th December** and is now available to book on School Gateway. Please ensure your child's lunches are booked in advance to avoid last minute orders. Many thanks.

Finally, our **whole school theatre trip** to see Robin Hood at the Northcott Theatre is on **Thursday 15th December**. Please ensure that you have consented and paid on School Gateway. We are so grateful to the PFA for subsidising this cost which has halved the price for parents.

Please keep an eye on your email, Gateway app and texts for latest updates on upcoming events.

Wishing you all a wonderfully restful and peaceful weekend.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Petersen and the staff of Exbourne C of E Primary School

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GALLERY



Paying our respects for Remembrance



Fine motor skills in Early Years



Theo's home learning

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Godly play in Class 1



Artwork in Class 1 – Theo H and Jessica



Ben's model – Prehistoric Britain

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Diary Dates

Friday 25th November – Elf Workshop after school in the hall 3.30 – 5.30

28th November – Last games club before the end of term

Saturday 03rd December – Wreath Workshop – Exbourne Village Hall – 6.00

Thursday 08th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 08th December – Christmas Nativity in the Church – 2.30

Wednesday 14th December – Whole school Christmas dinner

Thursday 15th December – Whole school theatre trip – Robin Hood pantomime, Northcott Theatre, Exeter

Friday 16th December – Christmas Jumper Day/Non School Uniform Day – PFA Cake Sale

Friday 16th December – Last day of the Autumn term

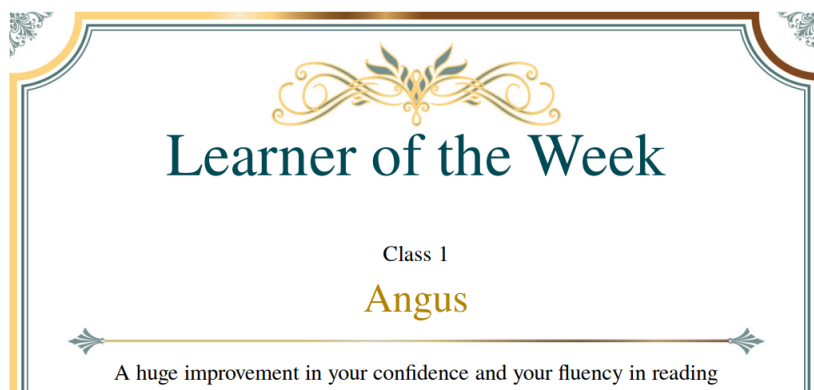
Wednesday 04th January – First day of the Spring term



This week's whole school attendance is 95.9%. Well done all!



Achievement Assembly



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