



## Friday 12th November 2021

This week in school has been focused on Remembrance. All classes have learnt more about the purpose of Remembrance day, why we wear poppies and how the money that we raised in selling the poppies is used. We were lucky enough to have some children share their parents' medals and the children have produced some stunning work that you will now see decorating the front of our school.

On Thursday at 11am we all gathered together for the first time since before the start of Covid to observe the 2 minute silence. This was done outside and in a distanced manner. The children's behaviour during the silence was impeccable so a big well done to everyone. I would also like to say well done to the children from Class 4 who read out the poem 'For the Fallen' so beautifully and to Mrs Arnold who played The Last Post.

Next week, we will be taking part in Anti-Bullying week across the school. As we explained in last week's newsletter the theme of this week is One Kind Word and to begin the week, on Monday we will be asking children and staff to come into school wearing odd socks. This is to celebrate the differences in all of us and the importance of differences. We look forward to sharing more about what we get up to on Anti-bullying week in next week's newsletter.

Mrs G Hooper

Applications for Reception places for September 2022 are open. Please contact us if you would like a tour of the school. We also have Nursery places available from January 2022. Please contact the school office for more information.



## Children in Need / Bake Off

On the 19th November, we will be supporting Children in Need.

After 18 months of cancelled events and pjs and joggers becoming the new normal. BBC Children in Need have partnered with Strictly Come Dancing to fundraise 'with added sparkle'. For a donation of £1, the children may come to school in their glad rags, party dresses, bow ties, glitter and sparkle to raise some much needed funds for children in need. Payments for this can be made on ParentPay.

We will also be doing a bake off on this day. If any star bakers at home would like to send in a cake for our bake off then please do on the morning of the 19th. These cakes will be judged by our expert panel made up of children and staff and then prizes given to the winning bakers. Please make sure the cakes are labelled.

We will then be selling the cakes at the end of the day for 50p a slice/cupcake. We please ask that you bring the correct change.



## Early Start Club

Early Start Club is on offer before school from 8am. The club is run by Mrs O'Mahoney and must be **booked online via Parentpay a week in advance**. We currently charge a very reasonable £1 for the facility.

If you would like more information about Early Start Club then please speak to Mrs Dowd in the office or book using the guidance via ParentPay: [How-to-make-meal-or-event-bookings.pdf \(parentpay.com\)](#)

This week in class we have been....

Class 1	This week the children have been looking at the life of St Piran. They have learnt about where he came from and how the Cornish flag was first introduced. They have enjoyed making their own Cornish flags this week too.
Class 2	We have been incredibly proud of the Class 2 children this week. They made beautiful poppies for our Remembrance Garden, learnt about and wrote out part of the famous poem "For The Fallen" and were amazingly respectful at our Act of Remembrance on Thursday. In History, we also wrote how it would have felt to ride on the very first steam train, and in PE, we enjoyed working on different ways of jumping. We have started learning about Emma Jane's Aeroplane in English, focusing on placement of capital letters and have continued working on addition and subtraction using part-whole models in maths.
Class 3	Class 3 have had a great week learning about Sutton Hoo. We found out all about what they discovered and we acted out pulling the boat from the river to the burial site. In English we have been learning how to structure our writing using paragraphs. In art, we used Google Drawing to create digital art.
Class 4	Class 4 have had a busy week and have all worked very hard to get things done! Our music lesson this week showed just how far we have come in mastering their brass instruments and how much we are enjoying the opportunity to play. We are continuing to focus on gymnastics in PE and are starting to recognise the benefits of having good core strength! Yesterday we learnt about the reasons behind remembrance day and some of Class 4 read the poem, 'For the Fallen' by Laurence Binyon. Thank you to those of you who took part; you read beautifully at our remembrance service.

**P.E days** We are still asking children to come dressed in their P.E kits on the days they have P.E:

**Monday: Class 3**

**Tuesday: Class 4**

**Wednesday: Class 1**

**Thursday: Class 2**

**PE kit** We have noted though that a lot of children are not wearing the correct PE kit. Please can you ensure that children wear a white polo shirt or blue Whitemoor t-shirt, black jogging bottoms (no logos or writing on them please) and their normal school jumper or a plain black zip up hoodie. Children can wear

### **Important Upcoming Dates**

- ◆ **19.10.21: Children In Need/Non Uniform Day. Donation of £1 via Parentpay**
- ◆ **07.12.21: Christmas Fair TBC**
- ◆ **13.12.21: Class 1 & 2 Christmas Performance**
- ◆ **14.12.21: Class 3 & 4 Christmas Performance**
- ◆ **15.12.21: Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day**
- ◆ **17.12.21: Last day of term: Finish at 1:15pm**
- ◆ **04.01.22: INSET Day**
- ◆ **18.02.22: Aspire INSET Day**
- ◆ **21.02.22 to 25.02.22: Half Term Week**

### **Hub Councillor**

For those of you who are not aware, we would like to introduce Holly Hocking, our parent hub councillor for Whitemoor. Many of you will know Holly as she has two boys in the school - one in Class 2 and the other in Class 4. If you would like more information about governance across Aspire, please click this link: <https://www.aspireacademytrust.org/193/governance>

### **Coats**

We please ask that all children bring a warm waterproof coat to school every day. The weather is getting colder and wetter but there are still some children without coats. We do try to get outside everyday so sensible coats are a must.

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## WE ARE HIRING!

We currently have a number of exciting opportunities for Catering Assistants to join the expanding Aspens team.

If you are interested, please send a copy of your CV to the below email address.

CONTACT BECCY ROBINSON ON  
BECCY.ROBINSON@ASPENS-SERVICES.COM



Kitchen assistant required Mon-Fri  
11.30am-1.30pm. Term time only.

## ParentPay Reminder:

Make sure to book school meals via ParentPay ready for next week.

It is important pupils meals are booked by 8am for kitchen staff know meal numbers.

If your child is going to be absent from school please unbook their meals on ParentPay before the cut off time.

Have a lovely weekend.

## Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas Lunch will be taking place on Wednesday 15th December 2021.

Christmas Lunch orders MUST be booked via ParentPay. Please select Week Commencing 13th December from the drop down menu and book either of the following:

For the Roast Turkey please book option 1 on the main menu on ParentPay.

For the Root Vegetable Crumble, please book option 2 on the main menu on ParentPay.

**Jacket Potatoes are NOT available on this day.**

If your child/ren do not want a Christmas Lunch, you must provide a packed lunch from home.

[All Christmas Lunch Orders MUST be booked by Friday 26th November 2021.](#)

The graphic features a red background with a white central box. At the top, there are various Christmas decorations including a string of lights, a star, a snowflake, a gift box, and a stocking. A green circular badge with the text 'Christmas LUNCH' and snowflakes is positioned above the menu. The menu items are listed in a clean, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the text 'FOOD FESTIVAL' is written in a large, bold, red font, with 'By Aspens' in a smaller font below it. The entire graphic is framed by a decorative border of holly leaves and berries.

Christmas  
LUNCH

ROAST TURKEY  
GLAZED SAUSAGES  
ROASTIES  
ROASTED VEG  
BRUSSEL SPROUTS  
STUFFING  
OR  
ROOT VEGETABLE CRUMBLE  
ROASTIES  
ROASTED VEG  
BRUSSEL SPROUTS

Followed by  
CHRISTMAS BISCUITS  
OR  
FRUIT

**FOOD  
FESTIVAL**  
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