

Newsletter 10 Friday 5th November 2021

#### Dear Families.

Welcome back to Autumn 2. We are excited to be able to offer even more provision for your children by the opening up of the Community Hub for the facility to 'Choose the book, read the book and swap the book'. It has been well used this week and it is lovely to see the enthusiasm. Pupils in KS2 will be able to use the school library to borrow books from Monday thanks to our volunteer parent helpers.

We have several days coming up to look out for—so please read the dates page carefully. You will find further information about: Remembrance Day, One Kind Word, Photos, Children in Need, Diabetes Day and Open Day.





### **Governor Parent Survey**

So far, we have had 12 responses! Hopefully, this means you are happy with the love and care we put into ensuring your child has the best educational experience possible. We would love you to share your feedback- especially positive! This feedback gives us a useful insight into the strengths of our school and enables us to feel confident in the job that we are doing. It also gives an opportunity for you to bring to our attention any areas you consider we need to develop further.

Many thanks for your support.

## Happy Diwali!

On Thursday, these rangoli patterns were chalked on the playground by the entrances. This five day multi-faith festival is celebrated at the start of the Indian astrological calendar, (around the end October/early November) all over India by Hindus, Sikhs, Jain's and some Buddhists and marks a bountiful harvest, the start of an auspicious new year.





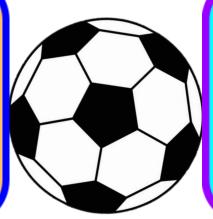
#### Remembrance Day-Thursday 11th November

Poppies and Poppy keyrings will be on sale next week. We suggest a minimum donation of 50p. We also have an assortment of poppy accessories- wristbands, poppy badges etc available for £1.

## Congratulations!

Our new parent governor is Steve Gardner- Collins. He will be a real asset to our governing body. He has two delightful children at the school- Leo, Year 3 and Colby in Year 2. 'My career is in business and has given me a diverse background from grass roots to spending time in the boardroom. Business Development and Strategy are transferable skills I would look to bring to the governing body at Castle Hill. I am passionate about making Castle Hill a great school, the quality of education and care provided to our children is vital for their young lives and futures, we all want the best for our children and I have aspirations to help support the school to lead and develop and be future fit.'

Congratulations to the Girls Football Team who played at Norton Primary School on Wednesday! The score was 2-1 with Sara scoring both goals. It was cold and the whole team played so well together.



Well done to the Football A Team for winning 2-1 at Castle Hill. We played Moat School. Winning goals was scored by Zach and Caleb. What a great team, you're playing brilliantly.

Our gates are temporarily broken. Please do not use this opportunity to park in our staff car park to drop children off to breakfast club. It is dangerous when staff are arriving in the morning and children are crossing in front of moving cars.

Christmas card samples are being given out today! Please return the order forms to the office by Friday 12th November.

# Forthcoming dates for your diary Key DatesAutumn Term 2021

Thursday 11th November- Remembrance Day. We will be marking the occasion with one minute of silence at 11am. Poppies on sale from Monday

Monday 15th November- One Kind Word Day. In school, pupils will have an opportunity to write one kind work on a post-it to display in the Community Hub. These will be displayed to remind us how important it is to be kind to each other. Parents will have the opportunity to join in too!

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November- Whole School Individual Photos. There will be sibling photos too when all pupils are attending our school.

Friday 19th November- Children in Need. Wear a Pudsey accessory. It is also our celebration of World Diabetes Day- Pay 50p to buy a Blue Star. These will be displayed in the hall with pupils' names written on them to show their support for this charity. All monies raised on the day will be divided between the two charities.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November- 1.30pm-2.30pm Open afternoon for New Reception 2022 Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November- 2.30pm-3.30pm- Work Celebration Event for all existing parents to come and see their child's work.

Friday 10th December - PAWS in

Friday 10th December-Reception Nativity

Tuesday 14th December-Christmas Dinner and party

Friday 17th December- Sing a long 1pm-2pm

Friday 17th December- Term finishes at 2pm