



# The Hayfield Herald

## WARWICK CASTLE



Today the school looks very different as we are having our first non-uniform day in order to raise money for Children in Need. It has been a very busy week at Hayfield Cross with lots of magnificent things happening for the children to enjoy and love their learning.

This week we had our first ever school trip as Squirrel Class went to visit Warwick Castle as part of their Pumpkins and Portcullises learning experience. The children had a brilliant time exploring the castle and seeing first-hand the features and information they have been learning about in a real-life castle. They created and painted their own shields, looked at suits of armour and tried them on and watched a bird of prey display. Our first ever Hayfield Cross school trip was a great success and I am very proud that the children were excellent ambassadors for Team Orange in their behaviour, manners and their quest for learning. Huge thanks to Miss Priestley and Miss Hardie for organising such a great trip and to Mrs Jolly who went with Squirrel's to support. Also thanks to Great Addington CE Primary School for loaning us their mini-bus and driver and in return we are looking forward to them using our hall for PE over the winter months.



On Wednesday we had a special assembly to remember Armistice Day. We talked about where the symbol of the poppy came from and why we remember those who have lost their lives on the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month. We ended the assembly with a minutes silence as the Last Post played.

Bumblebee Class have had a great week finishing off their bonfire night work. Last week they had sparklers and this week they ended with their own (indoor) bonfire celebration thinking about all their learning and cooking hot dogs to eat!

We have had some more decorating additions to the school this week. Our classroom numbers in the corridors have now been installed. In the infants they now have very cool racing car style numbers to go with their retro stripes. In the juniors they have huge lettering as they will have a different style in their area which we will add more to later in the year ready for our first Year 3 class next year.

This week we have welcomed some more new people to Hayfield Cross. William in Year 1 started in Squirrel Class this week and Miss Dams has joined us as a new Lunchtime Supervisor. You may also have seen Mr Northcott this week who has been with us before and is our regular supply teacher covering when our teachers are on courses or working on other things to make our school amazing.

*Craig Charteris* Head Teacher

### Notices

These will be on the website shortly in the meantime along with this Hayfield Herald you will receive a copy of your child's classes learning Experience for this term. This is key information about the class and their learning so you can see what they are doing and help you to encourage and support them at home.

After Christmas we will be hosting an election for parent governors to join our Governing body. More details will follow nearer the time but you may want to start thinking about it now if you are interested and do please ask if you have any questions.