

Newsletter: Week 11

The value we are thinking about this half-term is: LOVE

'If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.'

Corinthians 13

Update from Mrs Nettleship

Dear Parents,

This week our Year 6 children were invited to Khalsa Primary school to observe the Nishan Sahib Sewa. This ceremony celebrates Guru Nanak's birthday and involved changing the flag outside the school. This was a wonderful opportunity to learn about other cultures and beliefs outside of our school and to form strong relationships in our wider community.

Our PTA are busy preparing fun Christmas activities. Make sure you look out for the flyers and information from them so that you don't miss out on the fun.

Field Maple Class have presented their assembly on the value of the school this half term: Love. It was lovely to see so many parents taking part.

To keep our school looking smart Mr Plummer has been busy washing our carpets. So we can keep it this way, please can I remind everyone to bring welly boots to school so the children can keep the mud outside. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Nettleship



Dates/ Information

- 29th November: Elm Class visit St Mary's Church at 9.00am- parents welcome
- 30th November: School Photographs
- 1st December: Grey Willow Class litter picking at 1.30pm
- 6th December: Chestnut Class visit St Mary's Church at 9.00am- parents welcome.
- 7th December: Parent Tour for new Nursery and Reception intake at 9.30am
- 7th December: Field Maple Class Trip to Science Museum-parent volunteers welcome
- 11th December: Pantomime

Attendance Champions

Sapling Class	86.36%
Ash Class	87.18%
Beech Class	98.48%
Chestnut Class	97.33%
Elm Class	91.56%
Field Maple Class	95.79%
Grey Willow Class	93.24%

Notices:

- If you are having difficulty booking the PSD clubs with the links that have been provided, please find the QR codes attached to the newsletter.
- If you know a family who is interested in Nursery or school places, please encourage them to book a tour. Just contact the school office.

Our Vision - 'Good Ground Grows Well'

Through our Christian ethos, we teach children to hear, understand and live the word of God, helping them to give back to the world as global citizens. As every child is uniquely created in God's image, we nurture their individual development through a holistic approach to all aspects of life.

Sapling Class

In Sapling class, we have been reading the book 'The Snail and the Whale'. We have been cutting out snail trails and following trails outside. In Phonics, we have been exploring noises in the home. The children loved singing about cleaning, exercising and eating!



Ash Class

This week in Ash Class, the children were introduced to the concept of one more, working with numbers up to five. We read the book 'How to Catch a Star' by Oliver Jeffers and shared our views. Vocabulary used: compsequencing, count forward.



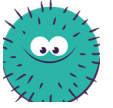
Beech Class

In Beech class, we have started to read the story 'Mrs Armitage on Wheels' and created a mind map. In maths, we continued to look at number bonds to ten. In science, we looked at what different animals eat and whether they are omnivores, carnivores or herbivores.



Chestnut Class

Chestnut class have started our shape unit in maths, counting sides and vertices. In DT, the children made a wheel mechanism. The children looked at the different parts of the Christingle in RE and what they symbolise.



Look at how busy we've been and how we've grown this week!

Elm Class

In English, using oracy skills, we discussed features of non-chronological reports. In maths, we worked on multiplication and division fact families. In PSHE we became aware of the importance of asking questions and how it helps with our learning.



Field Maple Class

This week Field Maple Class have been planning and have started to write their new chapter of 'Goth Girl'. In maths, we have been looking at finding a common denominator between fractions in order to compare and order them.



Grey Willow Class

Grey Willow Class had the opportunity to take part in the Guru Nanak celebrations this week. In history, we explored ancient civilisations in the Indus Valley, learnt about electricity in science, and created Christmas cards for the competition.



Thought for the week

I will help you, says the Lord; your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.
Isaiah 41:14

Something to think about

In the book of Isaiah, Israel is described as God's servant, a people with a monumental assignment. They are to be a light to the nations around them, drawing the whole world to find freedom and redemption in the Lord. It's a daunting task for a small nation! Yet for every 'you shall' instruction that God gives to Israel in chapter 41, there are twice as many 'I will' assurances. The promises of God to strengthen, uphold, save and vindicate his people are summed up in this short phrase: 'I will help you'. Ill-equipped as we may feel sometimes for our own life's tasks, we too can know God with us, providing all that we need to live out our calling as God's people.

Something to do

Spend time reflecting on your own sense of calling or vocation: is there particular work that you feel God has asked you to do in your life? Is there anything you've been avoiding because it seems too difficult to do?

Something to pray

Holy God, thank you for your promise to help me and equip me for everything that you ask me to do. I want to take you up on the offer! I can't do anything on my own, so please come alongside me and strengthen me in your service. Amen.



St Mary's School, Norwood Green: Dates for Autumn Term 2023-2024

Wednesday 22 nd November	Field Maple Class visit St Mary's Church at 9.00am – parents welcome
Thursday 23 rd November	Parent Tour for new Nursery and September 2024 Reception intake at 9.30am
Thursday 23 rd November	Field Maple Class Assembly 2.30pm – parents welcome
Thursday 23 rd November	Grey Willow at Khalsa School for Guru Nanak's Birthday at 9.00am
Wednesday 29 th November	Elm Class visit St Mary's Church at 9.00am – parents welcome
Thursday 30 th November	School Photographs
Friday 1 st December	Grey Willow Class Litter Picking-1.30pm
Wednesday 6 th December	Chestnut Class visit St Mary's Church at 9.00am – parents welcome
Thursday 7 th December	Parent Tour for new Nursery and September 2024 Reception intake at 9.30am
Thursday 7 th December	Field Maple Class trip to the Science Museum
Monday 11 th December	Pantomime
Wednesday 13 th December	Beech Class visit St Mary's Church at 9.00am – parents welcome
Wednesday 13 th December	Height & Weight for Reception and Grey Willow- 9.00am
Wednesday 13 th December	St Mary's Christmas Fair
Friday 15 th December	Reception and Nursery Nativity
Tuesday 19 th December	Beech and Chestnut Class Nativity 9.00am
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas lunch
Wednesday 20 th December	End of Term-finish at 1.15pm.

Spring Term

Monday 8 th January	Term Starts
Friday 12 th January	Field Maple Class Police talks
Friday 2 nd February	Young Voices-St Mary's Choir
Thursday 8 th February	Elm Class Assembly 2.30pm – parents welcome
Friday 9 th February	End of Term-finish at 3.00pm
Monday 12 th February	Half Term

PTA Christmas fair

Volunteers & donations needed

Dear parents and carers,

Our Christmas fair is during the school day on **Wednesday 13th December!**

We want to raise money for some much needed new toilets for our children and we need your help.

- **Donations** for class hamper raffle and tombola = we need quality items to make the day special.
- Help on the day to run a stall - this can be a half hour slot / whatever time you can give will be appreciated
- **Parent elves** - We need some behind the scenes help to wrap gifts for our little ones - Santa's sack is ready!
- We need help behind the scenes to put everything together

Please contact us or leave your details at the school office.

Amrita - PTA Events coordinator - 07912855760

Sharon - Chair - 07910747790

Lucky - Secretary - 07500114242

PTA class reps

It would be good to have 2 class reps from each class to help with communication.

We have some plans to raise even more money for our school and welcome your input. If you have any ideas please share them with us.

Christmas **Hampers**

We are in full festive mode and are asking each class to make up a **hamper for the Christmas raffle!** Each class has a **colour theme** and is asked to donate something in that colour.

We would like a range of **quality items** that you would be excited to win in a raffle such as chocolates, luxury candle or bath set, a bottle of special bubbly, scarf or festive treats!

Nursery - Red

Reception - Pink

Year 1 - Blue

Year 2 - Gold

Year 3 – Black and white

Year 4 - Purple

Year 5 - Orange

Year 6 – Green



Donations to be with class teachers
by **Friday 8th December 2023**

Buy Raffle tickets now from your
class reps!

MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL YEAR 1 - 4 MULTISPORTS



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FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL YEAR 3 – 6 FOOTBALL



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Christmas Fair

This year the fair will be during school hours and each class will be taken. Please ensure your child has some pocket money to spend at the fair. We hope this will encourage independence and how to manage money. The money raised will go towards some much needed toilets outside for the children.

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School day event

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GAMES, FOOD AND DRINKS,
GIFTING CRAFTS, GINGER BREAD
DECORATING AND LOTS MORE.



★★★★★
"Absolutely
MAGICAL!"

The Children's Pantomime

★★★★★
A Cast of Top
Performers

Cinderella

presented by
Chaplins Gold
Pantos



Appearing

at Heston Community Centre, Vicarage Farm Road, Heston, TW5 0EE

Saturday, 2nd December 2023 at 2.30pm

Tickets: Children under 16 £5 Adults £10. Cash only

Booking Office opening times: Mon - Fri 11am - 4pm

Tel: 020 8570 5076

NORWOOD GREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

in collaboration with

St Mary's Church & St Leonard's Church

NATIVITY PLAY

Thursday December 21st

from 6pm - 7pm

on Norwood Green, Tentelow UB2



Carol singing after the play and hot chocolate drinks will be available too, so please come join us to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas!



Christingle

St Leonard's Church Heston

Sunday 10th December 3pm

Why not kick start your Christmas preparations by joining us for our child focussed, heart-warming service, echoing the promise of light, hope, joy and peace for our families, our community and around the world.

All Welcome




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Email office@parishofheston.org
Charity number: 1159915

Saturday 9th December 1pm-6pm



The Plough Christmas Market

**Craft Stalls, Santa's Grotto, Live Music,
Carol Singers, Mulled Wine,
Great food & Beer**



WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

7:30PM



Charles Dickens's

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A CHRISTMAS CAROL

TICKETS £15 - £18

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Gentleman's Bake Off

Saturday 16th December
categories: sweet, savoury & puddings

Bring your entries to The Plough by 2pm
for judging at 2:30pm