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Reading Workshop

We were very pleased by the turn out of Reception parents for a workshop on how to help your child with Reading held on Tuesday. Parents who attended told us they found it extremely useful: "It was fantastic!" said one. Thank you to all those who came. And to Mrs Flynn, Mrs Clifford and Miss Hollows who ran the workshop.



Remembrance Day



Please Remember:
No nuts in school

We have several children who are severely allergic to nuts.

Parents of children in Year 6

Meeting about next summer's
Year 6 residential

Tuesday 15th. November

after school in Mrs Kassam's classroom

At 11 o'clock on the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 the guns fell silent and the First World War was officially over. Today we mark the 11th November as Armistice Day and this morning we held a minute's silence to remember all the brave men and women who have served in our armed forces.

The Sunday closest to November 11th is always celebrated as Remembrance Day so on Sunday some of our children will march in parades with the Cubs or the Brownies and at the Cenotaph in London the Queen will lay a wreath of poppies.

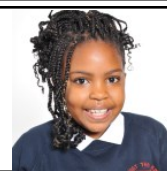
In class this week all the children have taken part in activities to commemorate Remembrance. Our picture shows the poppy created by Miss Hollows' class.



We started our week in Arabic, and finished in Swahili.

A salaam o alaikum,
Wa alaikum salaam

Jambo



Congratulations to...

Lennon Curtis who plays for South Reading at football; in a recent tournament Lennon's team came second.

Ethan Digweed who plays for Westwood Wanderers which recently won its league.

Leroy Hames, who excelled in a recent match for Wright Choice and was named "Man of the Match".

Our Year 5 and 6 footballers: Joshua Basa, Keren and Keziah Banduka, Danica Monreal, Patrick Newman, Veilache Caulker, Alfie Emmett-Church, Ethan Darcy, Aaron Digweed and Dontae Hamblin who distinguished themselves by coming third in an inter-schools tournament held at the John Madejski Academy.

Megan Ndasi and Theo Dirisu, who represented Christ the King school superbly in the Whitley Schools public speaking competition on Thursday evening. Megan did especially well and came third.



INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING PROGRAMME

A 14 week programme for parents of children from 4—8, which will run on Wednesday mornings from 25th. January to 17th. May

Any parents interested in this programme, please see Mrs Clarke.



In the Mornings and Evenings

When the playground is full of people, teachers can often be distracted by a parent who needs to speak to them, or a child who needs attention. Mr Powell, Mrs Clarke and Mrs Walsh perform a vital role for us in helping to keep the children safe. Mrs Walsh stands by the gate in the morning to make sure no child wanders out of the playground; Mrs Clarke is available to speak to parents, and Mr Powell stands to one side, keeps an over-view of the playground and is always ready to help children and parents and to step in if a situation looks as if it has the potential to become unsafe. We ask all parents please to respect the work that

Non-uniform day

Next Friday—18th November - in aid of CAFOD's "Brighten up for Harvest" campaign. Children are encouraged to wear something really bright and to bring a donation to help with CAFOD's work for some of the poorest people in the World.

How can I help my child do well? 9

Yes You Can..!

To do well children need to work hard; they need perseverance; they need good teaching; and above all they need to believe they can succeed.



Studies show, again and again, that it is not because some children are more clever than others that they do better. It is just not true that some people are born "clever" and other people are not.

Brains grow and develop, and with practice and hard work children can enjoy success at almost anything.

Henry Ford once said: "Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you're probably right!"

It makes a huge difference to children's chances of success if they believe in themselves. And sadly the opposite is true. A child who believes they cannot do something, will not be able to do it. There is nothing worse than hearing a child run down his or her own abilities.

Make sure your child knows you believe in their ability. Never let them say "I can't" The message should always be:

Blog of the Week

Our blogs are reaching all round the world: both Miss Clarke and Mr Krasnopolski have had visitors from 17 different countries. Miss Clarke's blog has received 594 hits; Miss Kerrigan's, Mr Krasnopolski's and Mrs Kassam's are well over 500. Which class will be first to 1,000 visits?

This week again there have been excellent posts from all over the school, with Nursery displaying some super advice about colours and information about Diwali, Bonfire Night and Remembrance. But this week's Blog of the Week award goes to Miss Clarke's class with two great posts each from Jesse and Emily and the fantastic Stone Age homework presented by several children.

Blogger of the week, for the second week running is from Mrs Kassam's class. The quality of writing from Mrs Kassam's children is absolutely superb and this week Angel Nwokporo wins Blogger of the Week for her scene in a Haunted House:

I stepped nervously into the haunted house. Spiders crawled here and there to their habitats. A gust of cold wind swept across from me like a ghost zooming off. It moved me side to side without control. The stench of dust flowed into my nostrils from books used in the library.... Read the whole piece on Mrs Kassam's blog.