

BULLETIN – 4th March 2022

"AT ALL SAINTS WE ALL FLOURISH AND ACHIEVE AS A CHILD OF GOD"

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely half term break.

It has been a busy week in school with our children showing our school values in their learning and behaviour. Yesterday, school was full of book characters – it was fantastic to see all the different outfits. Your children will be coming home with their 'World Book Day' token today.







Our Values Certificates were awarded to:

Mars: **Luca** for perseverance

Saturn: **Adam** for perseverance and **Jessica** for kindness

Jupiter: **Archie** for perseverance Sun: **Kitt** for perseverance

Headteacher's Award: Tate for kindness Sports Award: Harry W and Maciek for passion

Jubilee Celebrations



Thank you for the offers of help in organising a school celebration of the Queen's Jubilee. There will be a meeting in school next Thursday at 2pm for anyone who is interested in being involved (there will be tea, coffee and cake!!!). If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would still like to help, please can you let me know and I will add your name to the list.

Ukraine

Russia's invasion of Ukraine has no doubt led to many conversations at home, as children try to understand what it means and why it happened. School has received guidance from the Department for Education about supporting conversations in school and answering pupils' questions. Although this is happening in another country, we should not underestimate how a child processes what they see and hear and the scenarios that they believe could happen. It is important that our children understand the world in which we live and of course, how they can make a difference, but we should also continue to reassure them that they are safe at home and at school and that they should let a trusted adult know if they are worried. Below is a Newsround link that you may find useful at home.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround#more-stories-2

In addition, First News has a six-page special report which has been written specifically to help teachers, parents and children understand what's happening in Ukraine, presenting the events in a nonsensationalised and unbiased way. It also showcases some of the positive actions and people that have come out of this terrible event, to show children there are more good people than bad in the world. I have attached a copy of the report.

Over the coming weeks, we will be looking at ways we can raise money to support Ukraine. I have taken advice from local charitable organisations and the message is that they are overwhelmed with physical donations and are unable to pass them on. They suggested we direct parents who wish to help to the Disasters Emergency Committee which has launched a Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. You will be aware that the DEC brings together a number of leading aid charities including Christian Aid, Oxfam and Save the Children in order to raise funds quickly when large-scale disasters hit countries without the capacity to respond. It is quick and easy to donate and the UK Government will match pound-for-pound up to £20 million donated by the public to this appeal. DEC charities and their local partners are in Ukraine and in neighbouring countries providing water, food, shelter and medical assistance.





Red Nose Day 18th March

Red Nose Day will be a non-uniform day and children can wear their own clothes (red if they have them) for a donation of £2 (payable on Parentpay). The Year 6 Charity Officers are also planning a Red Nose quiz (minimum donation £2, also payable on Parentpay).

Gabriel's Cycling Challenge!

Gabriel in Sun class has been inspired by Radio 1's Jordon North Rowing home to Burnley (100 miles) for Red Nose Day. Gabriel has decided he wanted to do something to help others in need especially with everything going on in Ukraine.

He converted the letters of Jordon's name into their number place in the alphabet and it came to 62. That's the exact distance from where Gabriel lives to Jordon's home town of Burnley and back! So as Jordon's rowed to Burnley from where he lives in London, Gabriel decided he would cycle the distance to Burnley and back from his home on a turbo trainer over just two days. Gabriel's only ever done 11 miles on the turbo trainer in one go before so he's really pushing himself.

Greg James even gave a shout out to Gabriel live on Radio 1 this morning sometime around 8.05-8.20am mentioning that what he's doing is inspired by Jordon.

We would be really grateful if anyone feels they could donate to Gabriel's fundraiser to help him raise as much as he can to help others. We'd love to try and smash his target before Red Nose Day on the 18th March. Thank you so much.

You can donate to his JustGiving page by clicking here: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rednoseday22-gabriel-l

Music Clubs

There is still time to sign your child up for KS2 Choir and Ukele Clubs we are hoping to re-establish and also for tuition in piano and violin from Peta Kendall. It would be great to hear music in our school again after so much time without it. If your child is interested please email petakendallmusic@gmail.com (and see attached flyer for more information)

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Honey