



Dear Parents and Carers,

Participating in Remembrance services teaches children empathy and respect for others. They learn to honour the bravery and sacrifices of soldiers and civilians who have been affected by war. We believe these services provide an opportunity for families and communities to come together, reinforcing a sense of unity and shared values. It also allows children to see the importance of community support and collective memory. On Monday, our children walked smartly to the cenotaph to take part in the Tilstock Remembrance Service. The service was led by Reverend Sue and our children read the names of the fallen, before placing wreaths from each class on the cenotaph. We listened to the Last Post and held a 2 minute silence. By taking part in these services, children learn about civic responsibility and the importance of participating in community and national events. We hope that this can inspire them to be active, engaged citizens as they grow older. Thank you to our children, staff and families for joining us for such a special service.

Today we supported Children In Need with our 'wear something spotty, yellow, or something that makes you happy! It was wonderful to see so many colourful outfits and raise awareness of this important charity. The charity's vision is to ensure every child in the UK has a safe, happy, and secure childhood. Supporting BBC Children in Need helps make this vision a reality, addressing the challenges children face and building their skills and resilience. Thank you for your support!

Have a lovely weekend.

*Mrs Rowena Kaminski*  
**Headteacher**



### REMINDERS & NOTICES

#### Contacting staff via email and class dojo.



Teaching and supporting the children in our care, and managing the wellbeing and work load of our staff team is paramount. We also want to continue to support our parents and carers by responding to parental queries at the earliest opportunity.

Whilst our teachers and staff are prioritising the teaching and learning of children, and the smooth running of our school, they may not be able to respond to emails straight away.

In addition, for the wellbeing of our staff, as a Trust, we do not expect staff to respond to emails or class dojo messages during their personal/family time. Please be mindful of this when sending messages or emails to staff in the evenings or weekends.

#### Expectations for email communications between parents / carers and our staff:

1. Typically emails from parents/carers will be responded to during school working hours (8am-4pm).
2. Our staff will respond to you as soon as possible and within three working days. This does not include weekends or holidays.

**If a response is urgent, please use another form of communication, such as telephoning the school office.**

#### Teaching good hygiene habits

During the winter, cases of diarrhoea and vomiting and respiratory illnesses in schools inevitably rise.

Hand-washing is one the most effective ways to stop germs from spreading. Using a tissue to catch coughs and sneezes and then binning it, can help to stop infection from spreading. Teaching children this habit and providing them with tissues will help them to not pass on germs when they are unwell.

During our PHSE lessons this term, we will help explain to your child what good hygiene habits are, how they can practice them and why they are important. We will continue to ensure that good hand washing is practiced after children go to the toilet and before they eat lunch or snack.

#### Knowing when to keep your child at home and when to send them to school

Knowing when your child should stay at home from school or nursery if they are poorly can help slow the spread of many winter illnesses. Children with a runny nose, or slight cough for example, who are otherwise well and do not have a high temperature can continue to attend school.

If your child is unwell and has a fever, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better, and the fever has resolved. If your child has diarrhoea and/or vomits, they should stay off school or nursery for at least 48 hours after their symptoms clear up.

#### Is my child too ill for school? – NHS

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

#### Children in Need



#### Well done Toren!



**Toren has had a great start with Manchester Storm Academy U12's Ice Hockey Team** having completed his U10's season. His most recent game was a Remembrance match on Saturday against rivals, Sheffield. Toren was also an ice mascot with two of his Storm team mates for the adults Manchester Storm match against Belfast Giants! This was also a Remembrance match and Toren's Dad, who serves in the British Army, was there with him, along with mascot 'Lightning Jack' to observe a silence and support the game. A proud and significant occasion for Toren to share with his Dad.

### WORSHIP



**This term, in worship, we are focusing on the Christian value of Nurture.**

Our chosen worship songs this week were: [Kumbaya](#) and [When I needed a neighbour](#)

This week in worship we learnt about the meaning of [Remembrance](#). To watch and sing along with this term's hymns, click the blue links above.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

#### Events at a glance:

- 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> November:** Parents evenings
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November:** KS2 Panto trip (Otters & Badgers)
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November:** KS1 Panto trip (Squirrels)
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December-** Christmas Fair 3-5pm
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December -** Flu vaccinations
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 Christmas Play (afternoon and evening performance times to be confirmed)
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December:** EYFS Nativity 9:30am in church
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December:** KS2 Christmas Play (afternoon and evening performance times to be confirmed)
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December –** Christmas holiday
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January –** Children return to school

#### Meet our House Captains!



#### Happy birthday to

Duke and Mrs Prince

**Who celebrate their birthdays this week - We wish you a very happy birthday!**

### NEWS



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