



# Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

## Dear Parents

It has been a great start for the term and I am pleased to report we have started the term with 100% attendance across the school – which is so important and fantastic to see! On top of that last term's fundraising from the PTA raised over £200 towards the £1000 target for this year and the play equipment.

Week 1 has already involved lots of learning, the enactment of the Gunpowder plot (if it had been successful!), our 1-minute silence on 11<sup>th</sup> November, an exciting afternoon of live workshops for KS1 with the BBC Symphony Orchestra and plans for Children in Need excitement.

Thank you to all the Extreme Reader entries – the winners can be seen overleaf along with all our other fantastic readers – thank you for making Reading for Pleasure such a success and fun for all.

We remain focussed on ensuring safety measures are rigorous with regards to Covid-19 in and around school and request that parents continue to distance and wear your masks to keep us all safe.

Mr Price

## Diary Dates

### Nov:

13<sup>th</sup> Children in Need  
16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> Parent teacher online meetings

### Dec:

14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Jumper and Lunch Day  
15<sup>th</sup> One Planet parent celebration (online)  
16<sup>th</sup> Christmas Zoom disco (4.00pm)  
18<sup>th</sup> End of Term

## Class updates & parent meetings

All classes have begun the term discussing “*What’s inside your imagination?*”

For Reception and Nursery it started with a journey to space and has moved on to a disaster in the classroom when a triceratops ran amok over night! Wanted posters helped to locate the culprit!

Key Stage 1 are studying the book “*Where Ocean meets Sky*” (a beautifully illustrated and written book) and have created some fantastic printed artwork and started considering how they might write a story set in an imaginary land.

We are running our first online parent meetings next week (16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>) and are grateful for your understanding of the adaptation needed from face to face discussions. Meetings will be limited to 10 minutes and require you to have Microsoft Teams installed on a device. You will have received an invite if you booked a slot but for any questions, please speak to the office.

## One Planet Principle and Value Culture & Community and Responsibility

Thank you to all families who have continued tracking your mileage – we are now at Cordoba in Spain having travelled 1,640miles. Ocean View have got to the border of the Democratic Republic of Congo having travelled 1,920miles.

We have discussed the meaning of Community with the children this term – both local, national and global and how we must appreciate our role. To acknowledge our community we are working with Launton Grange care home to build links between generations. Thank you to those who have made suggestions for the naming of their 4 corridors (feel free to send submissions in still) and look out for an online Christmas collaboration in the near future.



## Extreme reader winners

Ducklings / Goslings – Albie Bradbury

Swans – Tiana Yearwood

Kingfishers – Kara Fellows

