



NEWSLETTER

6th March 2020

CUDHAM

CE Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow what a fabulous Book Week we have had here at Cudham! The children have all been thoroughly engrossed in their book activities and some great book themed learning has taken place. We are really looking forward to our book evening tonight, where we can share our favourite stories with you under the stars (fingers crossed the rain stays away!). The book character costumes in school today have been second to none; I'm not too sure which member of staff embraced the day the most but I'm sure you would agree some of our staff are just a little bit bonkers?!

This week we also had the pleasure of taking part in the Aquinas Maths Challenge; our team of Beatrix-Bo, Adam, Kian and Bella represented the school fabulously and did really well. The questions were incredibly challenging but this didn't deter our young mathematicians. Well done team Cudham for being stars. As a flavor of what the children had to answer here is the final question:

In Greater London there are 8.9 million residents. There are 32 London Boroughs and Bromley is neither the largest nor the smallest. Estimate how many residents are in Bromley.

This week we were also visited by Bishop James; he came to our staff prayer meeting and led our collective worship. He is clearly looking for a new Bishop and I think Renee will be the next candidate as she modelled his Bishop's regalia very well. He was very complimentary about the school and both he and Reverend Musson had a great time with us.

Also this week, we had our inaugural meeting to change our Friends of Cudham PTA over to a registered charity. Our FOCs members work tirelessly throughout the year, giving so much of their time for the good of the school. By becoming a charity, we will be able to claim Gift Aid and therefore raising even more money for the good of the school. Thank you to all who turned out on a chilly evening; we will let you know more details when our registration is finalised.

There has been more information coming out this week about the Covid 19 virus (Coronavirus). As a Trust we are taking this very seriously and have emergency plans in place to deal with any issues. As individual schools, we are following DFE guidelines and constantly reminding children to wash their hands, dispose of tissues carefully and be aware of general hygiene.

We are aware that as time passes there will be people within our community that have come into contact with others who may have in turn been in contact with carriers of the virus, but we must remain sensible and follow government guidelines.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

God bless,

Mrs Shackleton and Mr Finch

Against Breast Cancer – Thank You!

A huge thank you from Mrs Wickens and her son Dan for all your amazing support at their cake sale. They raised an incredible £143.00. This will be donated to the Against Breast Cancer charity which Dan will be running for in the London Marathon in April.

Sports Relief

Next week is Sports Relief and to join in the event, we invite all pupils to come to school wearing sportswear on Friday 13th March. The event is organised to help raise money to tackle poverty so we kindly ask for a £1 donation from each child.

Mother's Day Sale

FOCS are arranging our very own Mother's Day Sale on Friday 13th March. Please look out for full details on a letter that will be coming home this afternoon.

Attendance

The best class for attendance week ending 6th March is Forget-Me-Not with 98.1%. Well done we are all really proud of you! (Whole School attendance is currently 94.9% for the academic year)



Forthcoming Dates:

March

- 7th Year 3/4 Cross Country Crystal Palace
- 13th Sport Relief – wear sportswear plus £1 donation
- Mother's Day Sale – FOCS event
- 10th Honeysuckle visit to Kent Life
- 12th Headteacher Coffee Afternoon
- 16th – 20th Year 5 PGL visit
- 18th Year 3 Collective Worship
- 26th Monthly theme day (Marigold hosting)
- 30th Easter Bonnet / Egg Sculpture parade

April

- 1st Marigold Class Collective Worship
- 3rd Easter Church Service
- Last day of term – Children finish at 1.30pm