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Newsletter Friday 5th November 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

The darker winter mornings and nights have really begun but we're all enjoying our wonderful grounds, especially the piles of leaves! Please remember to send your child in with a coat as the weather can change suddenly and it can become cold later in the day.

Poppies in school



Poppies and poppy themed items are now on sale in school. Please send your child with a contribution next week and we will take the box to each class. Thank you.

The Remembrance Day Service will be in the Market Square on Sunday 14th November at 10.45. School will be represented by Charlotte and Harrison in Year 6 who will be laying the wreath from our school.

Learning about the past

Year 6 are learning all about World War II. The class saw some quotes from the Darlington and Stockton Times and Mr A. Calvert was mentioned. Katie, who is a pupil in the class, did some detective work, found out where he lives now and wrote a letter to him, asking him about his experiences. He wrote Katie a wonderful letter back, full of information and detail about his memories of that time. Katie said, 'I learned a lot more about how the war affected this area from someone who experienced it for themselves. It is so much better than learning it from a book.'

Years 5&6 girls football



On Thursday, we hosted the final stage of the Wensleydale Cluster football tournament. This time it was the turn of the year 5&6 girls. They played brilliantly, showed good team work and encouraged each other. Overall, they came third which was a commendable result. Well done to everyone who took part.

Children in Need



This year, it will be held on Friday 19th November and the theme will be Stars, Spots and Stripes, the brighter the better. See what you can come up with and bring a donation for this worthwhile cause.

Football kit is perfectly acceptable too, of course...

PTFA news – it's that time of year again! We have held our first meeting of the year and are all looking forward to the festive season.

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We are asking for contributions from you all for the following:

Our very popular Christmas Hamper Raffle will be held on Friday 10th December.



Each class will be contributing a themed hamper more details to follow via Class Dojo as we don't want to spoil the surprise!

Secret Santa will be taking place on the 13th December. This is an opportunity for your children to buy their own present from a selection donated by you, staff and friends of the school, before having it expertly wrapped in school, ensuring that it really is a surprise!

Please send any gifts to the office.

Midday Supervisors

We have another opportunity for a midday supervisor in our happy, caring and supportive school. We are able to guarantee children who are well-behaved and love coming to school. Please contact the school office for more details.

Remember, Remember the 5th of November....



The children in reception have been making some wonderful firework pictures.

The weather looks good for this evening and we hope that you all have a happy and safe Bonfire Night.