



Wow, another busy week full of learning, sport and all things Remembrance Day. On Wednesday we had our first Parents Evening of the Year. It was a nice opportunity for the staff to be able to celebrate the pupils' achievements. The children were very respectful during our 1-minute silence today as a mark of respect on Remembrance Day. Have a lovely weekend!

In November We Remember

The children have all been doing work to celebrate Remembrance Day. There has been poppy making, poem writing, songs, letters and not to forget our wonderful St. Aidan's Remembrance Book. The book is a touching and wonderful celebration of any family members / friends / Saints / heroes who the children want to be remembered. We will display this book at the Entrance to the Office. Thank you to Miss Zographou and Mrs Ryan for organising this.



Dates to remember:

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| 13 th November | Odd Socks Day |
| 16 th November | Parents Evening |
| 17 th November | Tag Rugby Croydon Finals |
| 12 th December | Nativity for Reception Parents |
| 13 th December | Nativity for Y1 Parents |
| 18 th December | Carol Service |

Year 6 World War Assembly

We were blown away this morning by the amazing Year 6 remembrance Assembly. The children had us laughing, learning and also feeling emotional. Their acting, singing and dancing was fantastic!

It was a wonderful celebration of all our fallen heroes. Thank you to Mrs Luke, Mrs Tuffrey and Mrs Day for helping the children put on such a wonderful performance.





Football Team

On Tuesday, the Football Team played against Smitham. The boy's teamwork was amazing and they won 8-0. Another amazing result. Thank you to Coach T for his premier league style coaching. Goal scorers were Sammy and Callum with a hattrick and Liam and Michael got 1 each too. Next game is on Tuesday 14th November at Smitham again.

Netball Team

Mrs Gray and Mrs Ryan are very proud of our netballers for giving 100% effort in their first match despite a loss. Overall both teams gave excellent performances and the children enjoyed themselves.

Well done to our B Team with an incredible 11-0 Win. Mrs Gray's players of the day are Ella and Jaxon. Amazing play from both of you. In the words of Mrs Gray... "SuperStars."

Thank you so much to Mrs Gray and Mrs Ryan for your fantastic coaching and organising. The children are very lucky.

Year 6 Visitor

On Thursday, Year 6 were delighted to welcome to St. Aidan's, Graeme Roy from Croydon Airport Visitor Centre. Year 6 were treated to a fascinating insight in to the historical significance of the Airport on Purley Way; how it became "RAF Croydon" during the Second World War and was a Battle of Britain airfield.

If any families of St. Aidan's would like to see the visitor Centre for themselves, it is open on the first Sunday of every month.



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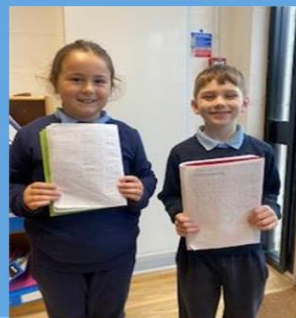
Message from Mrs Logue

A huge well done to Year 6 for such a successful assembly this morning! Mrs Hughes has been updating me throughout the day and told me you were all amazing! Over the past two weeks I have thoroughly enjoyed hearing you talk about the exciting and interesting things you've been learning and seeing you dress up in your WWII costumes, showing lots of enthusiasm about your topic and the importance of learning about significant events in the past which has an impact on our lives today. I was very disappointed when I realized I would be missing your assembly but I'm certain I'll hear about it next week. Well done to the Year 6 staff for their ongoing hard work and dedication and for also striving to make the children's learning both creative and fun.

Who has visited Mrs Hughes this week?

Willow Y2 visited Mrs Hughes with her fantastic Maths work that she decided to do at home without being asked. She had been adding 3 digit numbers. Well done Willow!

James in Year 2 visited Mrs Hughes to show his incredible and independent writing. James has written an adventure story where 'Red' meets a 'wolf' on a snowy mountain. Well done James!



St Mary: Nicholas Coni
St. Francis: Anne Subasinghe Arachchige
St. Joseph: James Ransom
St. Bernadette: Eliana Adedipe
St. Theresa: Oyeme Omozuapo
St. Peter: Michael Campbell
St Paul: Delphie Powell



St Mary: Liam Kearns
St. Francis: Avril Lam
St. Joseph: Charlotte McLaughlin
St. Bernadette: Jake Walsh
St. Theresa: Ethan Downing
St Peter: Rosa Bimpong
St Paul: Isaac Bleach Thorne

Year 4 Roman Shields

Year 4 children all made incredible Roman shields over half term and on Tuesday, Mr Stanley and the class went out into the playground and learnt some Roman battle tactics. The children had brilliant fun and learnt all about the might of the Roman Empire. Thank you to all the grownups who helped the children to design and create their incredible shields.



Eucharistic Adoration

Year 4 and 5 welcomed back Pam, Sarah and Gerlinda for Eucharistic adoration. The children enjoyed some lovely time of reflection and impressed with their wonderful answers.



Whole School Remembrance Assembly

This week our pupils have been learning about Remembrance Day and why we celebrate it. Each class presented who they have been learning about from World War I and World War II. Each class presented very well and taught the rest of the school something they have learnt. Remarkably, one pupil discovered they were related to one of the significant figures. We ended our assembly by having one minute silence to remember those who have fallen.

Reception- Queen Elizabeth II

Year 1- Edith Cavell

Year 2- Walter Tull

Year 3- Elsie Inglis

Year 4- Neville Chamberlain

Year 5- Anne Frank

Year 6- Winston Churchill

Lastly, we want to thank you all for contributing to our St Aidan's Remembrance Day book. All the staff at St Aidan's have been touched by all the great people you wrote about and we shall keep them all in our thoughts and prayers.



Message from Mrs Logue - You may have noticed that I was not in our special Remembrance assembly today. This week, Thursday and Friday, I had the privilege of being able to attend the Headteachers Conference along with other heads in the Southwark diocese. It was a very insightful few days and not only did I gain a lot from it, I also met an old friend and colleague of St Aidan's, Mr Skehan! Mr Skehan asked me to send on his well wishes and say a big hello to all the children, staff, parents and governors. Hopefully Mr Skehan might pop in for a cup of tea to say hello in the not so distant future.

Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 Cross Country

Yesterday morning Years 1 and 2 children took part in a Cross Country Race at Lloyd Park. Mrs Gray and Mrs Montavez went along to support the children and they were so proud of them. Mrs Gray would like a special mention to Lydia in Year 1 and Aren in Year 2, who both came 21st. Well done to all our children, who made us proud with their resilience and positivity.

In the afternoon, Miss Zographou and Mrs Montavez were there to support Years 3 and 4 runners. Again, the children did very well and powered through despite the cold weather.

A huge THANK YOU to Mrs Gray and Miss Zographou for going with the children and supervising and helping with the event and a very special THANK YOU to Mrs Montavez who was at the event ALL day and helping keep the children safe.



Year 7 Reunion

This afternoon we are welcoming all our past pupils back to school from Year 7. We cannot wait to see them and find out how they are getting on in their new schools. Photos to follow in next week's newsletter.

Achievement

As you can see from a busy newsletter, it's been a very busy week in school. But it's been an equally busy week outside of school with a wide range of activities and awards, from athletics and ju jitsu to gymnastics and pony riding!



Coffee Morning Message from Mrs Logue

Thank you to the parents and careers who were able to join me for our 'Meet and Greet' coffee morning on Tuesday. You made me feel very welcome and I was delighted to be able to talk to you and let you know a little bit about myself, but most importantly be given the opportunity to hear about you and your children and the wonderful school community we have here at St Aidan's. Hopefully now I'll recognize a few more friendly faces at the gate!

After School Club

Mrs Blackburne and Mrs Swain have asked if anybody has an Air Fryer they no longer need. If you do, please contact the school office.

