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12<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

### God who speaks

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday and we think of those who have laid down their lives for the defence of liberty and free speech:

*"The greatest love you can have for your friends is to give your life for them."* John 15:13



On Thursday we were invited to join with Abbey Catholic Primary School for their annual Service of Remembrance. Four members of our Chaplaincy Team attended in person with Mr Reid and the rest of the school joined virtually. We thank Abbey for hosting such a poignant and reverent occasion.

### Dogs

We are concerned by the number of dogs being brought onto school premises. This week we have seen dogs becoming aggressive with each other on school premises and dogs/dog leads preventing children from reaching the infant gate. We appreciate that dogs are valued members of the family but the welfare and safety of children must come first. If you wish to bring your dog on the school run, please stop a distance away and send your child down to the gate or tie up your dog. Thank you.

### Wednesday Word

Please follow the link below to enjoy this week's Wednesday Word.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/faithfulness?pid=MTA101634&v=43.7>

### SEND Parent Briefings

Please find attached information on SEND briefings for November and December. If you have questions around Special Educational Needs and Disability please contact our SENDCo, Miss Ramsden at [senco@stnicholassutton.org.uk](mailto:senco@stnicholassutton.org.uk)

### Parental Questionnaires

A huge thank you to anyone who filled in our parental questionnaire Google Form. We will be publishing the results and responses to any queries in next week's newsletter.

### Information for Year 5 Parents - Alton Castle Residential

For your diaries, the Year 5 trip to Alton Castle will take place between Monday 11th and Wednesday 13th July 2022.

### Information for Year 6 Parents - Blackwell Residential

For your diaries, the Year 6 trip to Blackwell will take place between Monday 18th and Wednesday 20th July 2022. Dates of leavers' events will be communicated in due course.





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### **PFA Christmas Disco 3.30pm - 5pm**

The PFA Christmas Disco will take place on Thursday 9th December with arrangements as follows:

- The disco will begin straight after school and school staff will bring children to the hall
- Pupils will be invited to wear a Christmas jumper or some other festive decoration **with their school uniform.** This negates the need for children to bring a change of clothes.
- The disco ends at 5pm

The PFA will communicate costs and ticket arrangements shortly.

### **Traffic Dress up day**

Remember that Friday 19th November is 'Traffic Dress Up Day' as arranged by our School Council. For a £1 donation, your child can come to school dressed as a crossing warden, police officer, traffic warden or anything else related to road safety! Please remember that they will have to work in the classroom and run around on the playground so their dress up will need to be manageable & safe.

Please send in your £1 donation on the day of the dress up in an envelope marked with your child's name. Attached to this newsletter is a newsletter from the School Council asking for your help.

### **Phonics Links for Home**

**Reception - sounds to be covered in class; 'o' 'c' 'k' 'u'.**

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/w7kSYyGt/fYHT91rQ>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/FrRHEzGf/AP9VGzpb>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/76cEzcdG/AkWqjFXA>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/X4lyBJjw/3YDAIYCW>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/OFOBugpL/sZgazP1M>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/MG03bfAP/J24CKrLV>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/iRsFdZp/XYAGcjia>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/ncbRfLON/UNwRLrDh>

**Green - sounds to be covered in lesson; 'or'**

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/IYPnwPTy/jB91seCZ>

**Yellow - sounds to be covered in lesson; 'ow' (blow the snow)**

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/6ddwadiV/2UY53I5h>

**Blue - sound to be covered in lesson; 'ea'**

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/HSICS8oc/bgOz0SXi>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/XmKXv9Da/Q2KjLEzx>

**Grey - 'ai' 'a\_e'**

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/wk0qBEnz/vzMNouy2>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/6ilMVn6K/nVGQQoER>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Lt5luTID/jQMiiwdp>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/SCOxBMWq/htrpI9ZL>





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### Admissions - sibling in school & pink slip

If you have a child already in school and you also have a child who will be starting school in September 2022 please telephone the school office to let them know if you haven't already done so. Remember that you need to fill in a Supplementary Information Form which is printed on PINK paper and is available on the shelves in the office area.

### Piano

We no longer have use for our school piano. If you would like it (and can transport it!) you are welcome to have it free of charge. Please call the school office if you are interested.

### School Fund Contributions

You will be receiving a ParentMail notification about our School Fund which we ask parents to contribute to each term. Please keep an eye out for this and your support with it would be greatly appreciated.

### Dates

19th November	Virtual SEN coffee morning - (Please contact the office)
30th November	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 trip to Midlands Arts Centre
23rd-26th November	Year 3 swimming
30th Nov-3rd December	Year 3 swimming
25th November	Centrestage Recital
6th December	Feast of St Nicholas - Mass at 10am in church
6th December	Y4 celebration of FHC day - official p/graphers in school
9th December	PFA Christmas Disco straight after school
14th & 15th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity play - ticket only

God bless,

Mr Porter  
Executive Principal

Mrs Noble-Barton  
Acting Head of School

Miss Ramsden  
Acting Vice Principal





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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing this newsletter to inform you about the issues we are facing in regards to parking outside our school. Based on past events we have experienced issues due to the careless parking outside of school. There are numerous reasons why we are asking parents not to park outside of school;



- Children are endangered from distracted drivers.
- The cars can block the view of our crossing warden.
- Cars can also block pedestrian crossings.

In school council meetings we have been discussing ways in which we can fundraise money to help us produce a banner to spread the message.

If you can support this cause, it would be greatly appreciated.

Kind regards,

*School Council.*

