Growing together, learning forever"

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# **WOODSTONE NEWS**

12th November

WOODSTONE WILL BE OPEN ON FRIDAY 3rd DECEMBER (unlike some other local schools). WE WILL BE TAKING OUR ADDITIONAL BANK HOLIDAY FOR THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE ON FRIDAY 8th JULY 2022.

# REMEMBRANCE

This year you will have noticed our Woodstone Remembers banner by the school gate and the 'Lest We Forget' flag flying proudly from our flagpole. The children, this year, also laid a couple of wreaths—the first at the war memorial at Ravenstone Church and the second at our own memorial oak tree.

In our special assembly we also learned about how animals such as dogs, elephants, camels, horses and pigeons have helped in many wars over the past 100 years.

We also heard about a very special, brave soldier called Walter Tull who was not only one of English football's first



black players (playing for Tottenham and Northampton) but also the first ever black officer in the British Army to command white troops. His story is one of real hardship but his bravery and his commitment to the British Army and it's cause was amazing.

Sadly, Walter was killed in a very fierce battle in Northern France at the age of 29.

PLEASE HAVE A LOOK ON PAGE 2 OF THIS NEWSLETTER FOR A FEW PHOTOS FROM OUR REMEMBRANCE ACTIVITIES

### **CHILDREN IN NEED**

### FRIDAY 19th NOVEMBER

This year the theme is 'Fancy Dress Friday'. For a small donation (we are asking for £1 per child) children can come to school in any item/items of

fancy dress. It's a really open theme so anything goes - within reason!

We will also have a biscuit sale at breaktime for the children - more details to follow.



## Attendance for the week beginning 1/11/21

Reception	97.3%	Year 1	97.5%
Year 2	92.3%	Year 3	95.5%
Year 4	99.3%	Year 5	94.8%
Year 6	96.7%		
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Well done to Year 4 who have now had the best attendance for 5 weeks running!!! Fantastic!

### **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK**

This year anti bullying week will run from 15th-19th November 2021. The theme for the week is 'One Kind Word'.

Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break



#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us.

To mark the start of the week children and staff will be wearing odd socks on Monday

15th November which is supported by CBBC and CBeebies star Andy Day and his band Andy

and the Odd Socks!



There's a serious

message behind the fun: let's pull on odd socks to show we're ALL unique and different, and let's be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality.

Throughout the week the children will be carrying out activities with One Kind Word as the theme.

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#### **CHRISTMAS DATES!**

Christmas is approaching very quickly so we wanted to let you know dates as soon as possible. There are still Covid restrictions in place for schools so this will be reflected in our ticket allocations and the distancing we have to adhere to. More details to follow.

Monday 6th December - Year 4 Christmas songs with mince pies and mulled wine (6pm)

Tuesday 7th December - Reception and Year 1 Nativity Play (2pm and 5:30pm)

Wednesday 8th December - Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas Play - Sugar Plum (2pm and 6pm)

Friday 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Sunday 12th December - Santa's Grotto and mulled wine in the woods (noon - 3pm)

Monday 13th December—Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Carol Concert - Christchurch, Coalville (6pm)

Tuesday 14th December - Whole School trip to the pantomime Theatre Royal, Nottingham - Robin Hood - (uniform as normal)

Wednesday 15th December - Christmas Dinner

Thursday 16th December - Party Day (non-uniform)



Friday 17th December - last day of term (non uniform - bring an inexpensive toy/game)

Saturday 18th December - lie down in a darkened room!!

#### Golden Book Assembly.

We are really looking forward to once again inviting parents to our Golden Book assemblies which start after the half term break. Here are the dates:

- Year 3 Friday 19th November 9:05am
- Year 2 Friday 26th November 9:05am
- Year 1 Friday 3rd December 9:05am
- Rec. Friday 14th January 9:05am

We try to distance parents as much as possible when

they come into School so could I please ask that only one family member attends please also wear a mask when entering the building. You can take it off to watch the assembly. Thank you.



### WOODSTONE REMEMBERS



Laying our wreath at the Ravenstone war memorial



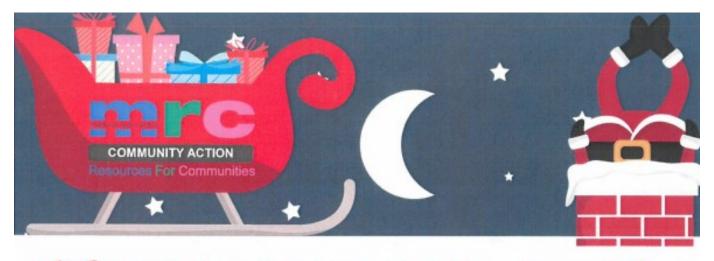
Laying our own wreath at our memorial oak



Mrs Capstack playing The Last Post and Reveille

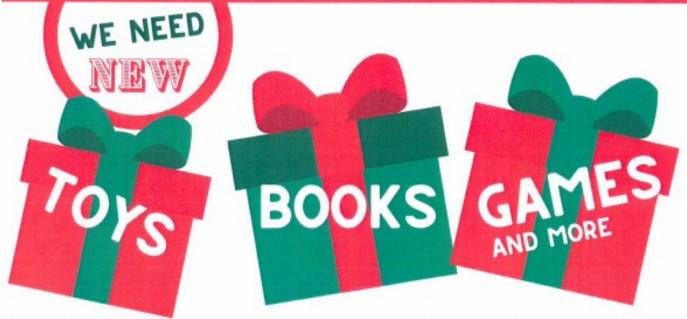


Woodstone's wreath lying proudly on the Ravenstone war memorial ready for Remembrance Sunday.



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# Local Family 5K Santa Run/Walk Kids, grandparents, dogs and pushchairs, wheelchairs, different fitness levels All Welcome! Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December 09:30 Starting on Chiswell Dr (Snibston Country Park)

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Help us to raise £1000 to support Glenfield Breast Care Unit & Leicester Royal Oncology Department

> Adults £12 Includes Suit and Medal Child £7 Includes Santa Hat and Medal





