

CORBY OLD VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday October 11th 2021

Black History Month

This month the UK celebrates Black History Month. This is an opportunity to understand Black histories and shine a spot light on pioneers, activists, inventors, authors and scientists of colour.

Black History Month gives everyone an opportunity to celebrate and understand black heritage and culture. Many campaigners believe the contributions of people from African and Caribbean backgrounds have been undervalued. It's also an opportunity for people to learn more about the effects of racism and challenge negative stereotypes. We will be celebrating inspirational people and learning about the impact they have made through our assemblies, and explore our diverse culture through the whole school text 'Change Sings'.

You can get more information online, the Newsround website is an excellent resource for children to access.

Individual and sibling photographs

Individual and sibling photographs will be taken Friday 15th October. We are only able to accommodate in-school sibling photographs at this time. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform on this day.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will take place virtually on the week commencing 8th November. More details will be sent out when we return from half term.

Harvest Assembly

Harvest assembly will be Friday 22nd October. St John's Church will lead an assembly for KS2 at the school. Unfortunately parents are unable to attend the Harvest Assemblies this year. KS1 will have a service in the church. Due to the current situation we will not be accepting food donations, please continue to donate food that you would have donated to Corby Food bank or any supermarket food donations.

Half Term

We close for half term on Friday 22nd October and school re-opens to children on Monday 1st November.

Poppy Appeal 2021

Poppy Appeal merchandise will be available in classrooms from Monday 1st November. The prices of items range from 30p - £1.50. If you would like your child to be able to purchase any of these items, please send some money to school with them. Please make sure that you send the correct money only as no change can be given.

Squid Game warning

Netflix is currently airing a programme called Squid Game. This programme is rated a 15 certificate and it contains an alarming and disturbing level of violence and is not suitable for primary age children. We are aware there are children in school who have watched Squid Game and we would urge you to check that your children are watching age appropriate programs. If they have watched this show, please talk to them about any negative and upsetting feelings they may experienced as a result.

Secondary school applications

If you have a child in Year 6 and you have not already applied for their secondary school place, you need to do so by **5pm on 31st October**. Applications need to be completed online at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions.

House captains

House captains for each school team are:

Rowlett – Ruby D and Jack

Stewart – Ruby F and Jude

Tresham – Zac and Harry M

Lloyds – Skye and Alex-Lee

Star of the week

Stars of the week for the last two weeks are:

W/C 27th September

Pixie – Ava

Unicorn – Ethan

Pegasus – Elsie

Griffin – Jake

Centaur – Reece

Dragon – Declan

Phoenix – Sandy

W/C 4th October

Pixie - Isaiah

Unicorn – Hollie

Pegasus - Emily

Griffin - Lyla

Centaur - Noah

Dragon – James

Phoenix - Zac

Well done to all of the children!

Safeguarding

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our children, please contact the school and ask for Miss Thomas or Mrs Lowe (Designated Safeguarding Leads).