

It has been a very busy week in school this week, starting off with our odd socks day as part of anti-bullying week. Over the course of the week, we explored how we are all unique and that we have many differences that make us who we are. We discussed how we celebrate these differences and accept one another for what we look like, our likes and dislikes, and our beliefs and opinions. We also discussed behaviours, and what bullying is and isn't. We use the acronym STOP to help us remember what bullying is, representing



We discussed that bullying is not a one off incident or someone accidentally bumping into you, but something that happens more than once and is intentional. We also made sure that the children know to talk to an adult if they think that bullying is taking place.

Just a reminder that the pictures and videos for our new prospectus will be captured on Wednesday next week. The prospectus will be hosted on the school website and we will use your website photo and video permissions that you have already provided on the day. If you do want to change these, please let the school office know as soon as possible.



Thank you for your support and generosity today. The amount of clothing that has been donated this morning as part of the PTA initiative is really impressive! The children are also enjoying being dressed in their spots or wearing Pudsey ears today. Any donations made will be passed on to the Children in Need charity.

Have a lovely weekend.

Suzanne Marson



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS THIS WEEK

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

(these children will also sit on the Golden Table)

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Gurraj	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Liberty	Spectacled Owls: (Miss Cowlen)	Esme
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Avaya	Tawny Owls: (Miss Ansell)	Arundeeep	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Amelie

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR OF THE WEEK (children will share a piece of work they are proud of)

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Robin	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Isla	Spectacled Owls: (Miss Cowlen)	Hattie
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Bhuva	Tawny Owls: (Miss Ansell)	Eliza	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Otto

Lunchtime Stars

Little Owls: (Mrs Rawes & Miss Shrimpton)	Kit	Barn Owls: (Miss Lodge)	Sienna	Spectacled Owls: (Miss Cowlen)	Matilda
Elf Owls: (Mrs Carrington)	Vienna	Tawny Owls: (Miss Ansell)	Penelope	Snowy Owls: (Mrs Menzies)	Esme

Nursery Learner and Lunchtime Star of the Week

Owlets	Learner : Neve Lunchtime: Rosa	Spotty	Learner : Paige Lunchtime: Aphra	Stripy	Learner: Margot Lunchtime: Catharyn
--------	-----------------------------------	--------	-------------------------------------	--------	--

ACHIEVEMENT CHILDREN IN THE GOLD BOOK THIS WEEK (based on the half termly value):

Year 2: Arthur, Esme and Madeleine

Achievements from home: Year 1: Henry, Liberty, Brooklyn, Niyah and Effie Year 2: Lyra

Spotlight on

The Dunchurch Infants behaviour policy

At Dunchurch Infants, we have a restorative approach to behaviour, based upon research carried out by Paul Dix.

We have three school rules that encompass everything that we do.

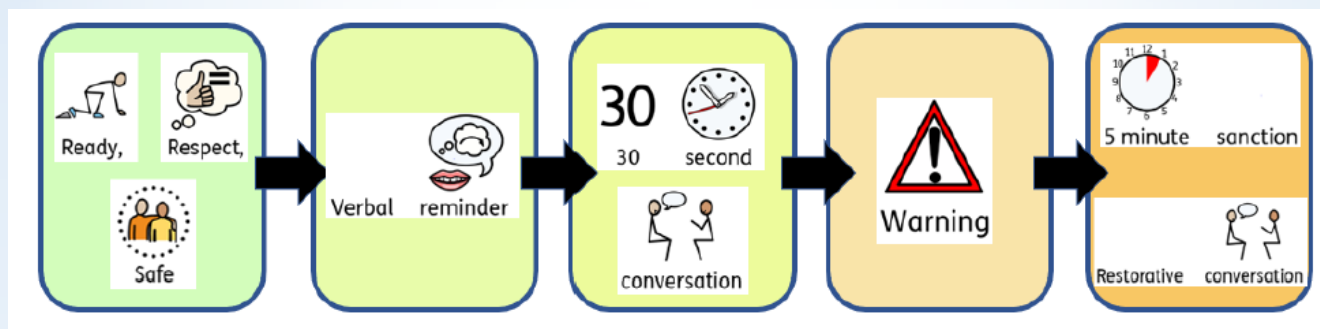
- **Ready** (to learn)
- **Safe** (behaviours)
- **Respect** (for ourselves, for others, for property and the world in which we live)

These rules are underpinned by the routines of:

- Fantastic walking (walking around school with a quiet or silent voice)
- Amazing line ups (standing sensibly and facing the right way in silence)
- Clean corridors and classrooms (items away and on pegs / in drawers)
- Superb sitting (sat cross legged, lips closed, facing the teacher / board and hands in lap, folded or by the side of the child)

Each class has a 'recognition board'. One specific learning behaviour, rule or routine will be the focus of a period of time determined by the class teacher (hour, lesson, morning, afternoon, day or week). The aim is that by the end of the period of time, all children have had their name placed on the board, focusing on teamwork and collaboration.

We have a range of rewards on offer for the children, as can be seen on the rewards page in each newsletter. This is in addition to lots of positive praise taking place throughout each day. The graphic below details the sanctions within our behaviour policy.



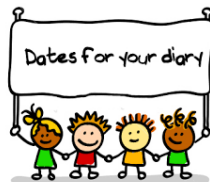
During a 30 second conversation, which always takes place in private with the child concerned, the child is helped to recognise the behaviour that needs to change and reminded of the school expectations.

During a restorative conversation, children will be asked the following questions, asking all children involved the same questions. Children are supported through the use of visual aids where this is needed.

- What happened?
- What were you thinking or feeling?
- How are you feeling now?
- Who has been affected by what has happened? In what way have they been affected?
- What can you do differently next time?
- What can you do to make things right?

The aim of a restorative conversation is that the child learns how to change their behaviour in future situations. This is then followed by a five minute sanction, referred to as reflection time, which always takes place on the same day. Every day is a new day and a chance for a fresh start—consequences do not carry on into the next day.

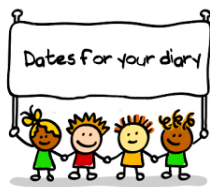
Our full Relationships and Behaviour policy can be found on the [policies page](#) of the school website.



Any new dates will be added in red

Upcoming dates:

Wednesday 20th November	Prospectus visit There will be photographs and videos taken for the new school prospectus in school and nursery today. We will use the website photo permissions we hold for the children as this is where the prospectus will be hosted. If you would like to change your photo permissions, please let the school office know.
Friday 22nd November	Sponsored welly walk (afternoon) All children in nursery and school will take part in a sponsored welly walk during a slot in the afternoon. Please send your child into school with wellies / walking boots / old trainers that they can change into on this day. Nursey children will walk around the grassy area within school, reception to year 2 will walk around the Junior field.
Future dates:	
Monday 25th November	Christmas play / carol concert bookings open Two tickets per child (across the two performances) can be booked via the information sent home from the school office from 7pm today.
Monday 25th No- vember	Year 2 Coventry Cathedral visit Some children from year 2 will take part in a choir concert at Coventry Cathedral.
Sunday 1st December	St Peter's open air Nativity service Join Mrs Marson, Mrs Owen and other staff members in the nativity crib service outside St Peter's church at 4pm.
Tuesday 3rd December	Nasal Flu Spray in School Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will receive their nasal flu spray in school for those that have parental permission.
Wednesday 4th De- cember	Year 2 trip Year 2 will be visiting St John's museum to take part in a Victorian Christmas trip. More information will be sent home via the year 2 Class Dojo pages.
Wednesday 11th December	Christmas plays Parents are invited to see their child perform their Christmas play in the school hall. Two tickets per child (across the two performances) can be booked via the information from the school office from Monday 25th November. Reception at 9:30am Nursery at 10:30am Year 1 at 2:30pm
Thursday 12th De- cember	Christmas plays Parents are invited to see their child perform their Christmas play in the school hall. Two tickets per child (across the two performances) can be booked via the information from the school office from Monday 25th November. Nursery at 9:30am Year 1 at 10:30am Reception at 2:30pm

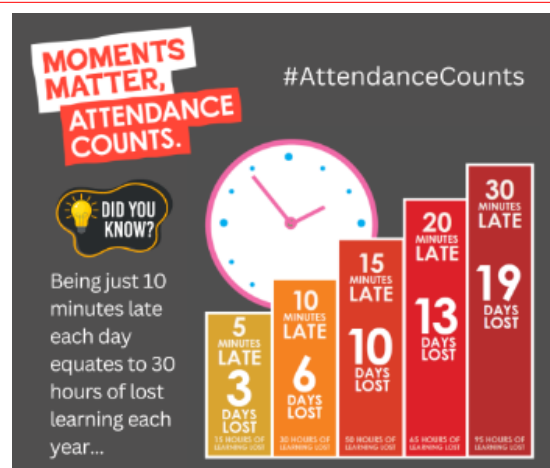


Friday 13th December	Christmas jumper day / Christmas craft day / Christmas dinner day / Christmas lunch Children are welcome to come into school wearing non-uniform, including a Christmas jumper, for Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. Any voluntary donations are welcome. Children will take part in a Christmas craft day on this day. (Please note that this is on Friday not Thursday)
Monday 16th December	Visit to St Peter's Church All children in school will take part in a Christmas service at St Peter's church. If anyone is able to support walking the children to and from church, please let the school office know. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite other parents to attend due to space in the church. Exact time to be confirmed once final details are arranged with the church.
Monday 16th December	Passport to world views afternoon The children will be learning about the festival of Hannukah in school.
Tuesday 17th December	Warwick Arts Centre visit—The Smeds and the Smoos The whole school will visit the Warwick Arts Centre in the afternoon to see The Smeds and The Smoos as a theatre performance. More details to follow.
Wednesday 18th December	Year 2 carol concert Year 2 parents are invited to take part in a carol service performed by the year 2 children at either 9:15am or 2:30pm. Two tickets per child (across the two performances) can be booked via the information from the school office from Monday 25th November.
Thursday 19th December	Christmas party Thank you to the PTA for arranging a Christmas party for the children across nursery and school. Children are invited to wear party clothes to school on this day if they would like to.
Friday 20th December	Christingle Service The whole school will take part in a Christingle service in the school hall. Please be aware that your child will bring home a Christingle at the end of the school day.

Attendance Weekly Summary

Whole school: 98.5% (Target 97%)

		
Little Owls	Elf Owls	Snowy Owls
95%	99.3%	100%
		
Barn Owls	Tawny Owls	Spectacled Owls
99.3%	98.7%	98.3%



PE Days

Children should wear their P.E. kits to school on the following days. On other days, normal uniform should be worn.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Tawny Owls Barn Owls Little Owls Elf Owls	Tawny Owls Barn Owls		Snowy Owls Spectacled Owls	Snowy Owls Spectacled Owls

After School Clubs: Autumn Term 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Martial Arts Y1—Y2 3:20-4pm	Spanish Y1-Y2 3:20—4:20pm	Football Y1-Y2 3:20– 4:45pm	Football Y1-Y2 3:20-4:45pm	
	Bounce and Beat Rec—Y2 3:20-4:20pm	Musical Theatre R—Y2 3:20—4:20pm		

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Title: The Three Little Superpigs
Author: Claire Evans
Recommended by: Spotty Owls



Spotty Owls have been enjoying learning all about traditional tales and this week's story of The Three Little Pigs. However, have you ever wondered what happens next?

After defeating the Big Bad Wolf the three little Superpigs spend their time fighting crime and enjoying their new found fame. But one day chaos descends - The Big Bad Wolf returns, can the Superpigs find him and foil his dastardly plans?

TERM DATES 2024/2025

Autumn Term 2024

End of Term: 20th December

Spring Term 2025

Teacher Training Day Monday 6th January

Half Term: Monday 17th Feb to

Friday 21st Feb

**Teacher Training Day Monday 24th
February**

Term Starts Tuesday 25th Feb

Term Ends Thursday 10th April

Teacher Training Day Friday 11th April

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts Monday 28th April

Spring Bank Holiday: 5th May

Bank Holiday: 26th May

Half Term: Monday 26th May to

Friday 30th May

End of Term Friday 18th July

**Disaggregated Teacher Training Day
Monday 21st July**

CHRISTIAN VALUE THIS HALF TERM



LEARNING BEHAVIOUR THIS HALF TERM

*Concentrating
crocodile*





**Thurlaston Meadows Care Home
&
1st Dunchurch Scout Group
CHRISTMAS MARKET AND GROTTO
Saturday 7th December 2pm-6pm**

Come and join us for an afternoon of festive fun.

Stalls including:

- Tombola
- Craft stalls
- Mulled Wine and Mince Pies
- Rugby Sling Library
- S'mores and More!

Meet and greet with Father Christmas!*
With a present for every child. **£10 per child**

*GEN Slots available 5.30pm-6pm

Book your slot with the QR Code or at TMCH Reception.



SCAN ME

TMCH Contact:
Main St, Thurlaston
Rugby CV23 9JG
01788 522405

Thurlaston Meadows Care Home

1st Dunchurch Scout Group



Warwickshire Family and Relationship Support

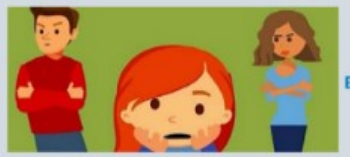
Keeping Your Child in Mind Programme

4 Week FREE Programme for parents/carers at:
**Boughton Leigh Children and Family Centre,
Rugby CV21 1LT**

Date: 21st November – 12th December 2024
Day: Thursday's 12:00 – 14:30

This programme focuses on relationships within the family and the influence of parental relationships on children, including when there might be conflict and tension **What is covered:** Positive relationships within families, styles of parenting and promoting positive approaches to reduce parental conflict. There will be opportunity for parents to share their experiences with others.

QR code

THE CENTRE FOR EMOTIONAL HEALTH

For any enquires please contact
ehparenttrainers@warwickshire.gov.uk

RUGBY Art Gallery & Museum

Festive Fun!

Create • Learn • Enjoy • Discover

at our **FREE** drop-in holiday workshops and our Lost Decorations scavenger hunt!

21st December to 4th January




Find out more at
www.ragm.co.uk



YOUR LOCAL AIR AMBULANCE

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

13th December 2024, at St Andrew's Church, Rugby

STALLS REFRESHMENTS MUSIC





£5 EACH, UNDER 16'S FREE
SCAN FOR YOUR TICKETS
OR CALL : 0300 3045 999



keep their memory flying

FR Registered with FUNDRAISING REGULATOR Part of The Air Ambulance Service. Registered in England and Wales as a limited company. Donations gratefully received enable The Air Ambulance Service to meet the clinical needs of patients by covering the operational costs to ensure all our vital services are ready to respond.

Collective worship

In collective worship on Monday, we focused on learning about Remembrance Day, including holding a minutes silence to remember those who served or are serving in the military during times of conflict. We used the CBeebies Poppy video as a stimulus for this discussion. We have explored a range of faiths as part of interfaith week, exploring that many faiths have lots of things in common. It has also been antibullying week this week, which has formed part of our collective worship discussions. Please see earlier in the newsletter for full details.



Mental Health in Schools Team
Tips For Wellness



13th November –
World Kindness
Day!

Strength

We all have a unique set of strengths and abilities that we can rely on to overcome challenges. Focusing on your strengths does not mean ignoring your weaknesses, but rather using your strengths to overcome them. This can also help you to build confidence, achieve your goals, and lead a more fulfilling life.

Kindness is a strength! **World Kindness Day** aims to acknowledge acts of kindness in the community, focusing on the positive power and influence this has. Regardless of our differences, kindness brings us together. Being kind to ourselves and others is a genuine strength that we possess, and it is important to remember how powerful it can be.

Our tips for strength:

1. **Appreciate your strength** – when you experience a difficult time, it's easy to forget how strong you are! Try and remember other times in your life when you've got through something challenging. Remember how strong you were to get through those circumstances and know you have the strength to get through other difficulties too.
2. **To practise kindness**, you could try...
 - Giving someone your time.
 - Listening to what others have to say.
 - Kindness can be choosing not to judge.
 - It can be a simple smile, or an understanding tone of voice.
 - Practise mindfulness.
 - Showing respect towards others.
2. Remind yourself **"all we can do is try our best"** and **"you are good enough"**.
3. As a class, have a go at playing 'kindness bingo' by following the QR code:



In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the RISE Crisis Helpline available 24/7, by calling NHS 111. Alternatively, call 999 or visit A&E in an emergency, for example if medical attention is required.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

E-SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

If your child has access to apps like videos, either on your phone or tablets, make sure there are filters in place, to stop them seeing anything inappropriate that can give them their Early Warning Signs. Hackers have been known to adapt popular TV characters, to create unkind content which can cause upset amongst children.

To do this follow these steps:



- ◇ Safari: Settings à General à Safari (then set it up in a way which is appropriate for your child).
- ◇ Youtube: Settings à tick safe search filtering à tick strict.



Click on [Family Information Service](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families) for a wide range of information to support families, or to request support.
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families



Connect for Health

Find lots of useful links click [here](#).



Warwickshire Local Authority SEND newsletter can be found here. [Click link](#)