

St. Anne (Stanley) C of E **Primary School**

Newsletter





November 2020



A very warm welcome to our November newsletter. We hope that you are all keeping well and staying safe. We have really appreciated everyone's help and support over the last few months in helping to keep our school a happy and safe place to be. Vigilant mask wearing and parents and carers keeping to specified drop-off and pick up times to avoid people unnecessarily congregating in the playgrounds has all played a part in this, so again, a massive thank you for the part you have played and are continuing to play - it is very much appreciated.



The whole school fell silent on November 11th for Armistice Day. Fay, one of our Year 6 pupils, read out a poem to mark this special day on our school intercom system before Mr Lucas played the last post on his trumpet. This was broadcast live throughout our school with all classes from Nursery through to Year 6 taking part in the traditional two minute silence to remember those that have fallen.

The whole school also got 'arty' for our Church's act of Remembrance at St. Anne's. Children across the school painted and crafted poppies which were then displayed on the 'Souls Altar' for Father Gary's Remembrance Day Service on the 8th. The service was broadcast live on Facebook, and as you can see from the picture below, our children did us proud with their tributes and own acts of Remembrance. A big 'Well done!' to everyone.





We had a lot of fun raising money for 'Children in Need' earlier this month too. Children across the school took part in all sorts of activities ranging from arts and crafts to keeping fit with Joe Wicks with his live online workout! Our kitchen staff also worked very hard to prepare a special 'Children in Need' themed lunch with hotdogs, fries and 'spotty' donuts for dessert! As a school we raised an impressive £359.80, so again a big 'Thank you' to everyone for your kind donations.



You may also have noticed the lovely new play area outside our Nursery and Reception classrooms. Work started over the half term holiday and due to bad weather, continued into our first week back after the break. Our Early Years staff would like to thank parent's for their patience at drop off and pick up times whilst the work was going on - we're sorry for the inconvenience caused but we're sure you will agree that it was worth the wait! Our Early Years children have had a lot of fun exploring their new and exciting playground and hopefully our contractors will be returning over the coming weeks to help us move our playhouses and toys back on to our colourful, new yard ©







It is with great sadness that we are writing about the loss of our dear friend and colleague, Linda Nee.

Linda passed away peacefully on 10th November after recently being diagnosed with cancer.

We have so many lovely memories of a such a wonderful lady.

Linda always had a smile to share and was kind to everyone.

She was an inspiration to others.

Along with her lunch time supervisor role, Linda gave freely of her time, listening to children read on a weekly basis, supporting on school trips and helping in school whenever she could.

Linda really loved being amongst the children and they in turn loved her.

The whole school community will miss Linda but fond memories will forever be in our thoughts.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to her lovely family who are truly devastated by her loss.

Rest in Peace our beautiful friend and colleague, Linda Nee.

