

Laying Foundations for Life-long Learning!

Ridgewell C of E Primary School Newsletter



31st October 2023

AUTUMN DAYS October News



Thank you to all who joined us in the church last term for our Harvest Festival service and also for the many generous donations of food and products given for the Haverhill Trussell Trust Foodbank. We have received a thank you letter this week from the charity who shared that we collected a huge **80.5kg** of food!

The children performed, danced and sang so well and were an absolute joy to watch as they took part. For many, it was their first time in our church and they were all so confident in front of an audience.

Our reception children have settled in so well and it is a pleasure to watch the whole school outside at lunchtimes and see how our oldest Y5/6 children have taken younger children under their wings, including them in their games and sports.

Our playground has brightened up immensely after a tree surgeon visited last term and pruned and removed a number of overhanging trees. We are looking forward to making further plans to enrich our break times this year with the support of our FORS (PTFA) group.

Mrs Stuart



Attendance

Please encourage your children to come to school every day and avoid taking term time holidays. It can be tricky for children to drop in and out of a learning sequence and take them extra time to catch up on missed learning.

If your child is unwell, remember to let the office know before 9:30am so their absence can be noted on our register.

It is lovely to see so many smiley children arriving early each day, ready for their learning.

Remembrance

Our school will be visiting the village memorial on the village green on Friday 10th November at 11am to take part in an act of remembrance. Often, parents, carers and villagers choose to join us as we lay a wreath on behalf of the school, read a prayer and pause to reflect on past conflict. There is the name of a teacher who taught at the school in the 1940s, Jonathan Cann, before leaving join up to the RAF towards the end of WWII. Please feel free to join us if you are able.

We will be selling poppies and other remembrance wrist bands in school from today – please send you child in with a donation if you would like them to buy something.

FORS

Thank you so much to everyone who helped in some way with the Quiz this month. It was so lovely to see so many come to support the school and enjoy taking part. It was a tricky but fun quiz and raised £700 for FORS to support with projects.



**Looking
forward
to...**

- Fri 3rd Nov – Open Morning 1
- Mon 6th Nov – Open morning 2
- Tues 7th Nov – Cavewoman experience day Y3-5
- Weds 8th Nov – Autumn Welly Walk
- Thurs 9th Nov – Bikeability day 1 (Y6)
- Fri 10th Nov – Bikeability day 2 (Y6)/School visit war memorial
- Tues 14th Nov – KS1 Parent Consultation Day
- Weds 15th Nov – Jupiter Parent Consultation Day
- Thurs 16th Nov – Saturn Parent Consultation Day
- Fri 17th Nov – Children in Need