

# The Blue Letter: 5th November 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a great start to our second half term. Owl Class really enjoyed their Victorian School day on Tuesday, although I don't think they would be too keen to repeat it too often! See their report later on in the newsletter.

Poppies: From Monday 8th we will have Poppies available for the children to buy in return for a donation to the Poppy Appeal. We only have poppies this year and not any of the other merchandise that is sometimes available. If children bring in money in a sealed envelope in their bag. Year 6 will take them around the classrooms during the afternoon. We will be marking Remembrance day on Thursday by placing poppies by the cross in our quiet garden and observing a two minute silence.

Open Day: We have our second open day on 9th November If you know of anyone whose child is due to start school next September, they can book for the open day by contacting the office.

Parents evening: Our parents evenings are coming up very soon, on 16th, 17th November for Owl Class and 17th, 18th November for Fox and Squirrel Class. Bookings will be made via parentmail and you should receive a notification when the bookings are open. We were hoping that this would be today but we are experiencing a few technical issues. If these are not resolved at the start of next week, we revert to a paper booking system.

Christmas Fair Planning: If you would like to be involved with planning the Christmas Fair, there is a planning meeting on Monday 8th November at the start of the day, 8.50am in school.

Free Second Hand Uniform: During a clean up of the school on Monday, we came across some old (pre-pandemic) lost property and some donated uniform. This is all un-named and in reasonable condition and would fit children in key stage 2. There are trousers, jumpers and fleeces. These will be on a table at the front of school on Wednesday after school. Please help yourself if it is of use to you.

Topic Letters: Topic letters and homework for this half term have been sent home in paper form and can also be found under the topic overview in the curriculum area of the website.

Monday 8th November	<b>PTFA Christmas Fair planning meeting 8.50am</b> Archery club 3.15pm-4.15pm
Tuesday 9th November	<b>Open day for Reception 2022 viewings</b> Christmas Enterprise Club—Year 5/6 3.15pm– 4.00pm Basketball/tag rugby club 3.15pm— 4.15pm
Wednesday 10th November	Fox Class PE Second hand clothes available after school
Thursday 11th November	Squirrel Class PE Owl Class PE
Friday 12th November	Fox Class PE Squirrel Class PE

### Outdoor learning.

This week we learnt to use the saw horse and the bow saw to saw a log. We made mint tea, most of us enjoyed it. We made mini fires in shells and used them to help light the big fire. We made hapazome which is using leaves and stones to make a pattern on material. We also made art using leaves and twigs. - *Jaci and Elodie*



**THE NEXT OUTDOOR LEARNING SESSION IS IN TWO WEEKS - THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER**

### Victorian day

On Tuesday, Owl Class were Victorians. It was really fun. We did maths, handwriting, history, geography, drill, and an object lesson where we described and drew an apple. We could only write with our right hand which was annoying for some of us who are left handed. We had to write on a slate and the year 6 girls could use ink and pens with a nib. No one got the cane but someone did have to stand and face the wall for one minute. Every time a visitor came in the room, we had to stand up. - *Isabelle, Libby and Summer*





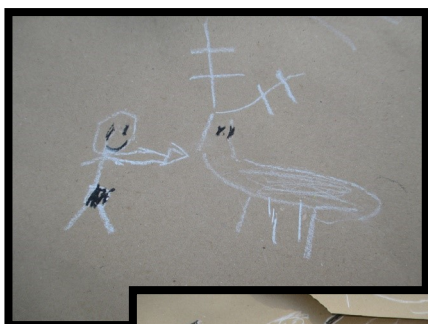
### Advent Calendar Collection

Lucas, Hugo and their mum Georgie will be collecting advent calendars again this year, the advent calendars collected go to women and children living in 3 local refuges and to outreach programs, supporting those who have fled or been effected by domestic abuse. All calendar donations are welcome! Last day of collection will be Friday 26th November.

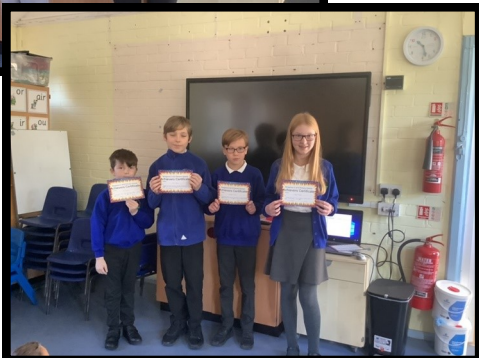


### Fox Class Stone Age Cave Art

Fox Class started their new topic on Tuesday by creating some stone age cave art.



### Achievers Well done to all our achievers this week:



Squirrel Class: Well done to Millie, Molly and Isla

Fox Class: Well done to Kacy and Elsie

Owl Class: Well done to Leon, Zach, Fletcher and Libby