



SEBERT WOOD PARENT/CARER WEEKLY UPDATES

The building works on site are progressing well and currently on schedule to be completed on time. Please do take extra care with your children in the playground before the doors open and at the end of the school day as the building works continue and areas are fenced off for safety.

Also a big thank you from the School Office team who appreciate that it has been difficult as the office has been closed and you have been unable to pop in and see us, or drop off and collect your children through the front office. Your kindness and understanding has been hugely appreciated, thank you.

This Monday 16th November is the start of Anti-bullying Week.

The children are being encouraged to **wear odd socks to school next week** to support this. This is always an important week and anti-bullying discussions will take place in class with the children and also during their PSHE lessons.

It has been a fun day in school today and everyone has enjoyed the dress down day for **Children In Need**. Some children were even lucky enough to receive a very special visit from Pudsey bear! Thank you to everyone for your kind donations, the money raised for **Children in Need was an incredible £603.84!** Photos to view on Twitter and Tapestry!



Have a good weekend,

Peter Dewhurst & all the team at Sebert Wood

We are very proud that Jayden (Year 4) is taking on a challenge as he wants to raise money for charity over the next few weeks. Jayden will be running and walking 100 miles over the next 6 weeks until his 9th birthday!

Jayden hopes to raise money for the Suffolk Mind charity and has set-up a Just Giving page at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jayden100> Any donations would be greatly appreciated, thank you for your support and well done Jayden from all of us here and good luck!

IMPORTANT CHILD SAFETY REMINDERS please...

- DO NOT walk through the staff car park to drop off or pick up your child
- DO NOT drive in and use the staff car park for Breakfast Club or ASC drop off and collections
- DO NOT ride bicycles or scooters down the path into school or through the playground as it's very busy at the beginning and end of the school day. Bikes/scooters should be walked to the bike park.

This is for the safety of every child and parent while they are on the school site, thank you

Among Us Game—INTERNET SAFETY UPDATE Please be aware of a new multi-player online game that some children are playing at the moment, and you might not be aware of. It has a PEGI rating of 9+. Please see the link below to the parental guidance on settings and child safety. <https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/news-blogs/is-among-us-multiplayer-game-safe-for-children/>

For many years now it has been a school tradition that year groups put together a luxury hamper, to be raffled on the day of the Christmas Fair. Sadly, due to Covid, FOSWS are unable to put on the Fair, but, we are able to do **the Luxury Hamper Raffle**. We ask parents and carers for donations for this and historically items have included anything from *candles, tinsel, bottles, toiletries and small non-perishable food items (please can food be in date) etc.*

Each year group has a colour theme and this Christmas, these are as follows:

Early Years (Nursery & Reception) - Gold and Silver

Year 1 - Green & Gold

Year 2 - Blue & Silver

Year 3 - Purple & Black

Year 4 - Black & Gold

Year 5 – Red and Green

Year 6 – Red and Gold



Donations can be placed in a container outside each year group during the week 23rd-27th November only. This will enable all items to be quarantined before FOSWS assemble these wonderful hampers. As a thank you, the children will be having a **Christmas jumper day on Friday 18th December**. Due to the high demand for **raffle tickets**, FOSWS will be issuing these *via your children on Monday 16th November* and need to be returned by Friday 4th December.

If you want any extra tickets, just contact Foswsteam@gmail.com.

The Raffle will be drawn on Friday 11th December at 3pm, in order for the hampers to be delivered to the lucky winners in time for Christmas. Thank you for your support and Good Luck! FOSWS Team

Year 6 Another productive week for Year 6: the children have begun a new English unit on balanced arguments and have consolidated and learnt about mixed numbers, improper fractions and ordering fractions with different denominators. We were extremely impressed with the majority of the research the children carried out for their homework over the last few weeks; they have produced some fantastic informative pieces as a result!

Next week, after the children have written up their balanced argument, we will be moving on to preparing verbal debates. Maths will continue working on fractions, with a focus on addition and subtraction.

Please could each child bring a cereal box (or equivalent) in next week so they can be used the following week to produce periscopes in Science.

Over the coming weeks, we would like the children to regularly utilise the spelling shed programme, at home, focussing on the Year 5/6 spelling list. On week beginning the 7th December, we will be carrying out a spelling 'check' on the complete list.

Finally, the winning team last half term for team points was Seacole. As a reward for this, they are able to come into school in non-uniform on Friday 20th November.

Have an enjoyable weekend,
The Year 6 team

Year 5 We've had another busy week in Year 5. As we were unable to go to Gressenhall for our trip on Tuesday, we had a Victorian day at school instead! The children enjoyed having their hands inspected by strict Victorian teachers. They learnt about the countries which were in the British Empire during the Victorian era, made a thaumatrope (a Victorian toy), learnt how Victorian children wrote in calligraphy script and watched some episodes of Hetty Feather, which was set in Victorian London. The children's costumes looked great, thank you!

Next week we will be writing a newspaper article based on happenings in the book Cogheart. We will be planning investigations linked to forces in Science.

In History we will be comparing Victorian schools to school life today. Our RE lesson will continue to explore the theme of happiness and in Art we will be learning how to use watercolours. We will focus on Anti-Bullying week in PHSE.

In recent days, several children have forgotten to bring their water bottles to school. Although we encourage the children to drink throughout the day, we are not loaning cups or water bottles at the moment due to Covid. As the children eat their lunch in the classrooms, they are not given drinks at lunchtime with their hot or cold dinners. Please ensure that your child has a named drink bottle at school every day, thank you.

Just a quick reminder that Seacole team won the team points last half term and can wear non-uniform (something red!) on Friday 20th November.

Have a great weekend,
Year 5 team

Year 4 Year 4 are really enjoying working on the story 'Mr Stink' and next week we will be looking at how Chloe is still trying to piece together Mr Stink's earlier life. The children will do some more work on using speech in their writing. In Maths, the children will apply their knowledge of subtracting larger numbers to solve word problems. In History, the children will be researching and writing about how the Roman army had to be very organised when invading Britain. We will then be discovering the instruments used to make music in Roman times. After an exciting Science lesson this week learning about the bones in the human body, we will be studying the different types of skeletons that insects and other animals have. The children will be learning and labelling household items in French; we wonder if they will be able to tell you any on Thursday evening?

Next Tuesday, the children will be having an additional PE session so they need to come to school on **both Tuesday and Wednesday in PE kits** please.

As part of the BBC Children in Need appeal, we have been looking at our emotional and physical wellbeing this week. The children enjoyed watching some videos led by Joe Wicks ahead of his PE challenge. We also looked at journaling as a way of exploring our thoughts and feelings. There are many excellent free resources available on the Children in Need website that you may wish to explore with your child. <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/schools/primary-school/five-to-thrive-hub/>

Have a great weekend,
Year 4 Team

Year 3 This week, the children loved the science lesson where they investigated with magnets. They enjoyed moving the magnets without touching them. Next week, the children will predict and investigate whether materials are magnetic or not. In Geography, they will learn about the problems occurring when the River Nile floods and about the Aswan Dam. In French, the children will continue to learn the vocabulary for colours. It is Anti-Bullying Week next week and the children will be discussing different types of bullying. In Art, the children are continuing to make and paint their Canopic jars. The children did very well learning their spellings for the test this week. As well as learning spellings, please continue to help them learn the 2s, 5s and 10s times tables (including related division facts). Next week, the children will be completing their first Maths Badge on these tables.
Have a good weekend
The Year 3 Teaching Team

Year 2 On Monday the children learned all about the Great Fire of London. We looked at what the buildings were made of, what caused the fire and how it spread so quickly. Ask your child what they can tell you about it – you'll be impressed! On Wednesday we used our knowledge to make storyboards of the events. We have also learned about newspapers, including headlines, newspaper names and quotes. If you have a newspaper at home you could demonstrate these. We will be writing newspaper stories about the Great Fire next week. The children have also been watching Newsround, which is available on iPlayer. In Maths we will be learning about money, looking at coins and notes and using them to make different amounts.

Finally – if children wear earrings they should be studs, not hoops. Please make sure earrings are removed on Tuesdays for PE – this is for safety reasons. Thank you.
Have a great weekend,
The Year 2 Team

Year 1 We have had a busy week thinking about firework poetry. We have worked hard to think of interesting adjectives to include in our writing, written fireworks noises using the sounds we have been learning in phonics and thought about how we could keep animals safe during firework season. Next week we will be basing our literacy on the non-fiction topic of "Pets". In Maths we will be continuing our work on subtraction. Please continue to hear your child read regularly even though it is a very busy time of the year! It is so beneficial to their development of skills. Thank you for your support. Next Monday 16th November is the start of Anti-bullying Week. The children are being encouraged to wear odd socks to school (these can also be worn over tights if they like) and we will be basing our PSHE lesson in the afternoon around this topic.
Have a lovely weekend,
The Year 1 team.

Reception This week we have been learning about Remembrance. We watched a video of the 2019 Remembrance Day Parade through Bury and talked about why we wear poppies at this time of year. The children have been making a range of poppy art, including poppy paintings, collages and sun-catchers. Next week is Diwali and we are using this to teach the children how people celebrate in many different ways, so if as a family you would like to share photos of Diwali, Thanksgiving or other special times please do put photos on Tapestry. It is important that children learn that we live in a wonderfully diverse country and to value our differences. Next week is anti-bullying week; we will be focusing on a being kind. We have lots of wonderful activities planned... playing lots of sharing, learning a special kindness song and thinking about what makes a good friend.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend,
Reception Team

Nursery We have had a fun-filled busy week. The children have enjoyed playing in our fire station role-play area and talking about fire safety. We watched some fireworks on our interactive whiteboard, which inspired everyone to make some wonderful firework creations using many different resources.

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We are very proud of all the children for being so sensible and respectful on Remembrance Day during our two minutes silence. To finish our week, we have had a fabulous Friday enjoying many Pudsey themed activities and for a special treat, we iced some yellow Pudsey biscuits and added chocolate coloured spots. We even had a visit from Pudsey!

Next week is anti-bullying week; we will be focusing on a being kind. We have lots of wonderful activities planned... playing lots of sharing games, learning a special kindness song, making some heart shaped bird feeders for the birds and creating our own Kindness potions.

It is also National Nursery Rhyme Week and we will have a focus Nursery Rhyme each day. We will post details on Tapestry so you can join in at home too.

We hope you have a lovely weekend
The Nursery Team