



Remembrance

13th November 2020

Nationally and internationally this year's remembrance was different. However, this did not stop pupils and adults at THS taking the time for a vital act of contemplation.

Of course we stayed in our bubbles – but second perfect coordination resulted in all classes watching a recorded address. This year, more than ever we thanked others for their service and sacrifice.

Matters were given added gravitas with readings from Dexter Percy (his superb poem is printed below) and James Tonge who read "In Flanders Field" by John McCrae.



Remembrance Day poem

Remember for the heroes old
The young men who once had futures bright
Remember for the ones who were so bold
And the ones who said their last goodnight

Remember the life they gave
In a war so far away
Remember what they wanted to save
"for king and country" was what the soldiers say

Remember the blood they shed
In a field where they didn't belong
And in the poppy fields our men lay dead
So the poppies still sing their eerie song

Please retell the stories of war for another year
Close to the heart feel their sorrow and pain
Because for the world I fear
We may be forgetting again

By Dexter Percy



Our impeccably observed two minute silence was preceded by Barnaby Warrillow playing The Last Post.

Thank you to all for your amazing generosity – our collection for the Poppy Appeal totalled **£394.49!**



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Some of the boys in the Junior School proudly wearing poppies which they had made themselves on Wednesday



AUTUMN WALK



On Thursday 12th November, Y1 went on an Autumn walk to help with our learning for our Science topic - 'Seasonal Changes'. We went to Richmond Park and collected 'signs of Autumn' such as conkers, conker husks, leaves and acorns. We also spotted mushrooms and berries! We learned about deciduous and evergreen trees and thought about why some trees lose their leaves in the Autumn. We enjoyed a playtime by running through the leaves and climbing on fallen tree trunks before walking back to school.





MERITS AND WOWS

Congratulations to the following Junior School boys who are this week's merit and wow winners!

Year 1 - Digby Martini (merit) and Charlie Danos (wow)

Year 2 - Wilfred Pitchford (merit) and Max Lloyd-Jones (wow)

Year 3 - Freddie Miers (merit) and Edward Townsend (wow)



NOTICES

Polite Request

For as long as we can remember, daily face to face interactions with parents have been part of our days. Those quick salutations have helped cement our community into the force it is today.

Perhaps the most 'alien' aspect of the guidelines we are currently following is asking parents to not come into school unless absolutely necessary.

With this in mind we are conscious that drop off and pick up create pinch points on the atypically narrow pavements outside school. Such congregations may cause passers-by or local residents to be a little anxious; so, in line with practices adopted by other schools we ask if parents could wear a face covering whilst waiting.

Many thanks in advance for your cooperation.



BOOK WEEK 2020

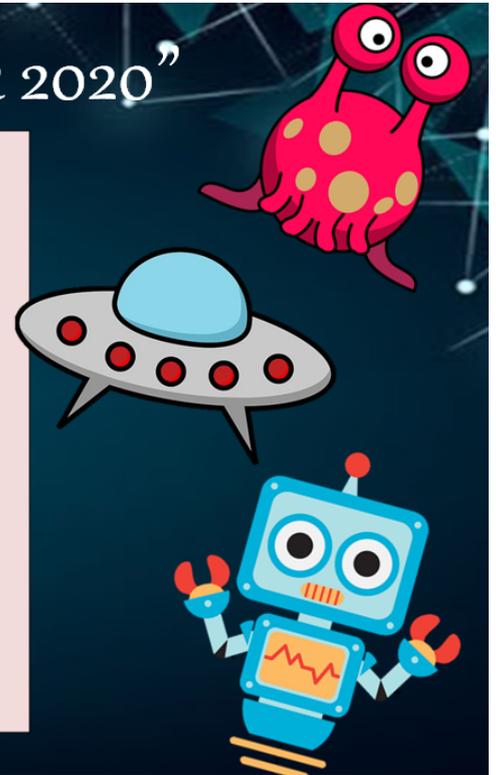
Book week will commence across the whole school on Monday 16th November. Many thanks go to Mrs Macdonald for organising yet another fantastic line up of workshops, activities and competitions.

This year's theme is Sci-Fi!

It's Coming...Book Week 2020"

What's On?

Reception to Year 4 - Boo Theatre and Entertainment Workshops
Reception to Year 4 - Karen Inglis Author Talk
Year 5 to 8 - Christopher Edge Author Talk
Dress Up Day
Door Decorating
Competitions and Quizzes
Prize Giving
Sci-Fi Lunch - *Space Dogs, Light-Sabagettes and Alien Slime Pudding!*



EARLY RISERS



Eschewing the concept that teenagers are 'creatures of the night' at least half of Year 8 turned up at daybreak to participate in our before school fitness training this week.

Mr Mullan put them through their paces and the day started in an energised fashion! Other year groups will get the opportunity for an early morning workout on a rotation basis as the year progresses.



CRAZY CHRISTMAS

THURSDAY 3rd DECEMBER

9 HOLE CRAZY GOLF
SANTA'S GROTTO
SNOW MACHINE
STORY TIME
XMAS MUSIC
PRIZES & GIFTS!

Tickets (£5) on sale now at FOTH.org.uk

Activities during school day.

Crazy Golf Y2-Y8 and Santa's Grotto Rec-Y2





FOTH'S 'SHOP LOCAL' RAFFLE

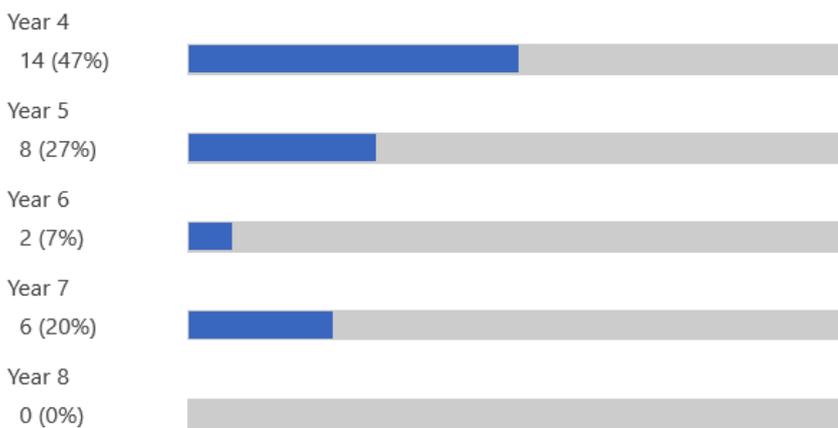
There has never been a more vital time to support our local community. Thanks to the generosity of our THS parents we have some fabulous prizes to win - worth over £2,000 in total! Browse the high street in East Sheen, Barnes or Putney. You could be treating yourself at one of these wonderful places:

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| Orange Pekoe | Nina, Independent Boutique |
| Oh Darling | Will's Art House |
| Create & Wild | Butikken |
| Olympic | The Brown Dog |
| Marta's Beauty | Garage Studio |
| Iris Fashion | Sheen Book Store |
| Valentina's | Culver & Nelson |
| Sheen Uncovered | Pandemonium |
| May London | |

Visit FOTH.org.uk to buy your raffle tickets now. Tickets will be on sale until the 4th of December. The raffle will be drawn and the winners announced on the week commencing 7th December. Proceeds will benefit our school in the usual way as well as the local food bank chosen as THS's charity for this year. Your support is so very much appreciated! Thank you.

READING WALL

1. Your Year Group



Fantastic reviews coming in every week - well done boys!
Please encourage your sons to use the reading wall whenever he finishes a novel - it's great to have the recommendations and they're a pleasure to read.

Review of the week

This book is amazing! My favourite character is Gollum. This is because he brings with him a mood of 'what-is-he?' when Bilbo meets him. Who is this raw-fish-eating googly-eyed creature that keeps on saying "my preciousssss"? At first Bilbo thinks Gollum is talking about himself but we find out that he is actually talking about the ring. To start with I thought the book is quite difficult to understand, but I eventually knew what was going on and am now really enjoying it. More to follow soon! (To be continued...)

by George Gill



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

BOOK WEEK EVENTS:

Book week author workshops via Webex - Mrs Inglis - Reception to Year 4

Book week live Boo theatre drama workshops - Reception to Year 4

Book week author workshops via Webex - Christopher Edge - Years 5-8

- MON 16th
- Book week assembly
 - Year 6 games at school
Boys to be collected at 4:10pm from school, not Palewell Park
 - Year 6 individual online interview practise
- WED 18th
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 - Year 6 individual online interview practise
- FRI 20th
- DRESS UP CHARACTER DAY
Dress up as your favourite sci-fi character or alien
 - Book week and prize giving assembly
 - Lunch - Book week Super Space Age Lunch
including space dogs, lite-sabaguettes and alien slime

This week's overall house point winners are ... **NELSON**

Two weeks running - congratulations!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Gregory Evans, Headmaster

TYPING'S COOL

Typing's Cool will be running touch typing courses over the Christmas holidays for 7-16 year olds. The sessions will run on:-

Monday 14th - Thursday 17th December

and

Monday 28th - Thursday 31st December

The classes will be run at St Luke's Church Hall, 62 Gibbon Road, Kingston upon Thames, KT2 6AB from 10.00am-12.15pm

Beginners, improvers and advanced learners are warmly welcome.

Cost £160.00

Child care vouchers accepted with a 10% sibling/ bring a friend/ returner discount

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