

THE GRAPEVINE

THONGSLEY FIELDS PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

THINKING OF OTHERS

BY MR JONES, HEADTEACHER

The last few weeks have provided lots of public opportunities for thinking of others. Harvest, Remembrance, Anti-Bullying events, Children In Need... all give the chance to think beyond ourselves and do things that matter for others. A staggering 238kg of food was donated to our local Foodbank a few weeks ago and this year's recent Poppy Appeal raised a similarly amazing amount to support the Royal British Legion's work.

Grand gestures are great but it is the little things that really count. Day in, day out... supporting each other, asking how someone's day is; a smile and a cheery welcome in the morning; noticing when someone needs a boost. That spirit of kindness is one of the reasons why I love our school family so much. In assemblies, we have discussed being someone's light and the power of positivity when people are feeling down - the intelligent, insightful thoughts from our children never cease to amaze me. As adults, we can learn so much from them.

With so much conflict in our world, both near and far, the mantra we share at the start of every assembly is much needed: *All are welcome here.* Hannah in year 3 recently took this one step further and wrote a beautiful acrostic poem welcoming all in times of hurt.

What will you do to make someone smile this week?



All smiles in Forest School with Little Acorns.

TERM DATES

KS2 Into Film Cinema Visit	23/11
Flu Vaccinations	27/11
Hannah Gold - Book Signing	28/11
HSSP Futsal Competition	5/12
Rocksteady Concert	6/12
Faith Tour (Y5/6)	12/12
Burwell Residential (Y3/4)	13/12 - 15/12
KS1 Performances (TBC)	13 & 15/12
EYFS Sing-a-long (TBC)	14/12
Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day	19/12
Last day of term	20/12

More details and other diary dates will be available soon.

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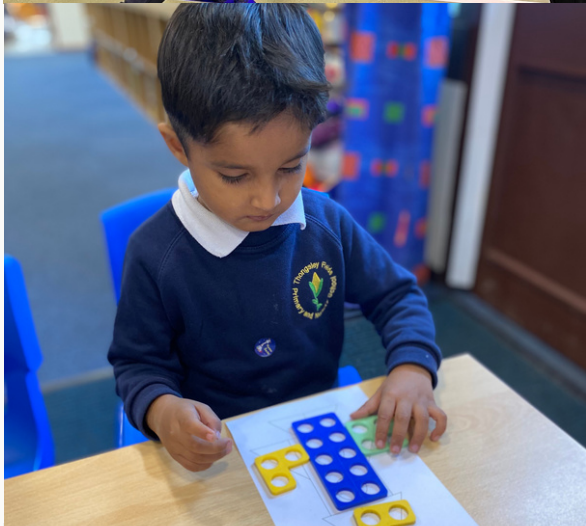
Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying Week!



Competing together at the HSSP Panathlon.



Blasting off with Numicon Rockets.



**Fall seven times,
stand up eight.**

-Japanese Proverb

NEWS IN BRIEF

FROM TEAM THONGSLEY

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

As part of this year's Remembrance Day commemorations, we raised funds for The Royal British Legion - Poppy Appeal. With the help of our school councillors, the merchandise box sold out and we are extremely proud to have raised a tremendous £175.17. Thank you to all who donated and to the marvelous school councillors who went around to each class collecting the donations.

A MORNING AT THE MOVIES

Every year we join the nationwide 'INTO FILM FESTIVAL' to help bring learning to life. The KS1 children have been on a very exciting trip to our local cinema and had a fabulous time. The KS2 children will be going on their trip on Thursday - make sure they have their coats with them!

SUPER SIX!

Last week, Miss Frampton & Mrs Campbell took a team of six of our super pupils to compete in the HSSP Panathlon. They participated in seven different sports including curling, table tennis and soft-ball darts. They all earned fabulous medals for their great sportsmanship and all round excellence!

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