



We Remember

At 11am on Thursday each class held a 2 minute silence. Here are Y3 making Remembrance poppies.



Out of School clubs update

We have a couple of new out of school clubs starting this half term, Y3/4 beginners mixed football and Y3/4 mixed netball. We have a club running on most nights now and everyone seems to be really enjoying themselves keeping fit and active: thank you Mr Allely for arranging these. There will be more clubs, including ones for KS1 children, starting in the New Year.

Y4 trip

As part of their classroom learning, Y4 visited the Deva Roman Discovery Centre in Chester on Tuesday. Everyone had a great time learning how life was in Roman times and then discovering the history of Chester dressed as Roman soldiers! What a fabulous hands-on learning experience.



Y1 Autumn walk

Y1 went on an autumn walk around Walsden yesterday. They had a lovely time seeing the beautiful colours of the autumn leaves, spotting wildlife and splashing in puddles!



Y2 News

Y2 are learning all about the history of flight this half term and have had a busy week of hands-on learning. On Wednesday they visited the Runway Visitor Park at Manchester Airport. They had a lovely day seeing all the retired aeroplanes including the supersonic airliner, Concorde and a former RAF military spy plane, Nimrod. They then went 'on board' an aeroplane and got to play at being a pilot! It was a great trip and everyone had fun and learnt a lot.



As part of this work Mrs Knudsen also challenged everyone to build a flying machine to carry 'teddy' on an exciting journey. There were some very imaginative designs: well done Y2. Yesterday afternoon the class tried them out in the school yard to see whose would travel the furthest: congratulations Buddy on your winning design!



Mayors visit

The Mayor of Todmorden, Councillor Pat Taylor, paid us a visit this week. She joined our KS2 assembly and some of our pupils showcased their 'Design a Christmas light' artwork. Well done Nell and Brooke whose designs were chosen by the judging panel at Todmorden Town Council to have them made into Christmas lights; what a fantastic honour! They have also been invited to take part in the ceremony to turn on the Christmas lights this year. Well done girls.



Todmorden Food Drop In Christmas appeal

We have been contacted this week by Todmorden Food Drop In who are based in our parish, at St Mary's church, with an appeal to support their service users this Christmas:

"We are going to provide extra bags of Christmas goodies to our service users in the week before Christmas, as we usually do. Since we are currently sufficiently well stocked with our basic foods for the time being, and conscious of the difficulties that donating and collecting food can pose during the pandemic, can we ask that any of you who might wish to donate to us send any of the following items for our Christmas bags":

Mince pies

Christmas cakes

Christmas puddings

Tins of ham

Packs of luxury biscuits

Boxes of chocolates

Bars of good chocolate

Christmas sweets for children

Boxes of crackers

The people we give these bags to at Christmas are always delighted to receive them, and the children are overjoyed! Thank you all for everything you do.

If anyone from school wishes to donate we will take donations from Monday 6th December and take them down to the drop off point on Monday 13th December.



Todmorden Food Drop In

Serving Todmorden, Hebden Bridge and surrounding areas

Children in Need

We are not holding any 'in school' fundraising for Children In Need however we will make a donation on behalf of the school community to this very worthy cause.

CHRISTMAS - dates for your diary

Christmas plans are afoot! Here are some dates for your diary so far...keep an eye on future newsletters/letters home for more information from both school and FOW.

- **Thursday 9th December** - Y3 & Y4 Christmas Film Hippodrome Theatre
- **Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th December** – FOW Walsden Winter Wonderland (*see information below*)
- **Tuesday 14th December, 4pm** - KS2 outdoor Carol Service
- **Wednesday 15th December** - Christmas School Lunch
- **Thursday 16th December** - KS1 Christmas party
- **Friday 17th December** - KS2 Christmas party



Friends of Walsden (FOW) – Walsden Winter Wonderland – 11th and 12th December

- Hot chocolate 🍫
- Mulled wine 🍷
- Festive food & cake 🍪
- Crisp nights walk 🌨️
- Fairy lights & decorations 🎄
- Christmas markets 🎁
- Children's crafts

This year Winter Wonderland is combining the LOT!!!! 🎄

FOWS will be hosting their popular two night event from The Mill on the 11th & 12th December.

If you are interested in entering a display or holding a stall please contact us with your details on our email winterwonderlandwalk@outlook.com ASAP

Great fun for all the family and a chance to get some Christmas gifts and goodies!

Stars of the week

This week's stars are: Bobby Bester, Lana Bates, Buddy Bowes, Hudson Southwell, Anthony Cannon, Logan Dransfield and Isabelle Berry. Well done to them all.



Lunchtime awards

Our midday staff have chosen: Henry Whitehead, Emma Madden, Bertie Waller, Luisa Watt, Jace Howarth, Austin Bates and Isaac Rushton for their excellent behaviour at lunchtime.

Emma Crowther and Esther Logue