

# 10TH NOVEMBER 2023 ISSUE 8





Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope this newsletter finds you well despite the very wet weather! It is a very busy time of year and we have a number of exciting events taking place over the next week.

**Remembrance Day** – Thank you to everyone for purchasing wristbands and poppies this week to raise money for the Royal British Legion. Remembrance Day is a time to reflect on the sacrifices made by military personnel, both in the past and present. The act of wearing a poppy can also help us instill important values such as respect, empathy, and remembrance.





## **Anti-Bullying Week**: https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week-2023make-noise-about-bullying

Anti-Bullying Week is approaching, and as a school, we are dedicated to promoting a safe and inclusive school environment. This year, the week will begin by celebrating "Odd Socks Day" on Monday 13th November. Children (and staff!) are encouraged to wear odd socks to embrace diversity and promote kindness

**Positive Noticing Day:** On Wednesday 15th November children and staff will be actively looking for and acknowledging acts of kindness, respect, and positive behaviour.

**Parking Reminder - Seacourt Road**: We kindly request that parents and guardians remain considerate of other motorists and local residents when collecting or dropping off their children along Seacourt Road. Inconsiderate parking can cause traffic congestion and block access to the road. Please use designated parking spaces to ensure the safety of our children and help us to maintain positive relations with the local community.



Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in these matters. We appreciate your support in fostering a positive and respectful school community.

If you have any questions or require further information about any of the events mentioned in this newsletter, please do not hesitate to contact our school office.

Best wishes, Mrs Oldfield and the WBP Team

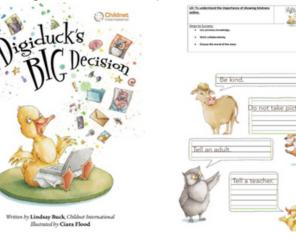
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Pupils have been given the opportunity to apply for a digital leader role from Year 1 to Year 6. After completing their application forms, two pupils have been selected. Their responsibility as digital leaders will be:

- Trying out new apps and programs
- Demonstrating how to use technology and introduce new apps in computing lessons.
- Modelling the right behaviour when online
- An advocate for online safety lessons in the classroom and across the school
- A big congratulations to our Digital Leaders for this academic year!

In Year 1, we explored the book Digi Duck. We looked at Digi Duck and his friends and how to be responsible online and gave advice on how to stay safe online. Children were enthusiastic about the book and gave fantastic responses!

Year 1



Year 3

During our computing lessons in Year 3, we have been looking at creating our own animations. We have been doing this by using the iMovie app to help us. Initially, we started creating our own animation by taking different photos of ourselves at different angles. After taking these photos, we combined them into a video to create our own animation. We also touched on e-Safety and how to be safe online.



In computing we have been looking at photography. The children have asked lots of questions and have enjoyed becoming more proficient in taking photos. They are learning which picture requires different aspects, be it portrait or landscape.

We are looking forward to further modifying photos







In Year 4 Computing the children dived into the world of audio editing as they recorded and re-recorded their voices, fine-tuning their skills to create captivating recordings. In a whirlwind of creativity, they mastered the art of removing those pesky long pauses and background sounds. Also in Year 4, the students are taking a proactive step towards online safety by creating eye-catching and informative online safety posters.









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In Year 5 classroom, students actively engaged in creating their own posters about online safety and learning about different cyberbullying scenarios.



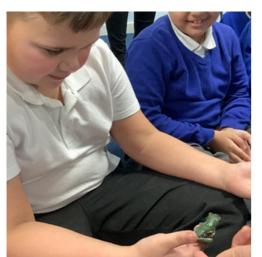
In year 6 children explored and navigated the layers of a website, from the visible surface to the intricate code hidden beneath. They explored the diverse range of media that can be integrated into websites, from captivating images and engaging videos to captivating sounds that enrich the user experience. They then annotated around a website to highlight its features.



Alongside their exploration of websites and their functionalities, Year 6 students delved into the crucial realm of e-safety, recognizing the importance of staying safe and secure while navigating the digital world. They learned about the various threats that can lurk within the online environment, from malware that can harm their devices to phishing attacks that aim to steal personal information



Year 5 had an incredible experience with a visit from Exotic Explorer team! Children were so excited to learn about different rainforest animals! 7 🐾 EducationThroughNature



















There is also a link to a video parents and children can watch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kfzr4e-shc8





Don't forget that your child should be reading with you every day at home and sign in the diary when you have done so. It is helpful to write which page they have read up to and maybe even a short comment on how well they did with reading/answering questions. Adults will be checking reading records everyday.

> EYFS and KS1 Parent Reading Morning Every Thursday from 8:40-9:10am



### All parents and carers welcome!

We are looking for Read with Me volunteers at Willow Bank! These volunteers will visit our EYFS, KS1 and KS2 classrooms and listen to our children read. If you are interested in volunteering with us for 30 minutes or an hour each week, then please pop into the office to express your interest and pick up our application pack.

### Next week:

Anti Bullying Week 13 - 17 November Monday 13/11/23 - Odd Socks Day



### Forthcoming dates:

Friday 17/11/23 - Sycamore assembly 9-9:20am Friday 24/11/23 - Walnut assembly 9-9:20am Tuesday 28/11/23 - Flu Immunisations

### Parents Evenings:

Wednesday 29/11/23 - 3:45pm - 7:15pm Thursday 30/11/23 - 3:45pm - 6:15pm <u>Wednesday 29/11/2023</u> - Bexley CAMHS Mental Health Support Team on site during Parents Evening.





Well done to:	Our target is over 96%
Magnolia - 95%	Yew - 90%
Hornbeam - 87%	Redwood - 92%
Laburnum - 97%	Almond - 91%
Hazel - 99%	Walnut - 94%
Larch - 92%	Sycamore - 98%
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