

# All Saints Primary School Weekly Parent Email

W/E 13th November 2020

Dear All,

One of our main concerns over the post 'lockdown 1' period has been the mental health and well-being of our pupils. We have spent a lot of teaching time discussing the worries and concerns of pupils, answering questions and trying to put a bit of perspective on what is happening. Pupils are regularly reminded on what to do if they have any worries and each class has a worry box where pupils can write down their worries either anonymously or named; these are all followed up on. If your child(ren) has any worries or concerns you would like us to address, please do get in touch.

We had a lovely Remembrance Service on Wednesday. With each group in their bubbles, we explained the significance of the day, why it is important we remember the sacrifices that were made by millions. We reflected that whilst times may be difficult now, things have been a lot worse in the past. Pupils were given the opportunity to discuss their thoughts and concerns in their bubbles after the service.

#### **Applying for School Places**

As a reminder, 15<sup>th</sup> Jan is the final date for applying for school places in Reception for next September. If you have a child who is coming here next year, please do apply online with Dorset Council sooner rather than later, we would hate for any of our current families to miss out. If you need any help or advice with the application, please do give Lou a call.

### **Parent Consultation**

From the staff: it was lovely speaking to so many of you this week during the parent consultations. If you were left with any outstanding questions or if you were unable to make the available dates, please do phone Lou to arrange a further appointment.

#### **Christmas Hamper Draw Tickets**

ASSA Christmas Hamper Draw Tickets are coming out today. Please see the attached ASSA letter explaining about how to purchase tickets. This is one of our major fundraiser of the year so please do support if you can.

## Non School Uniform Day - Friday 27th November

To top up our already overflowing Christmas hampers, we are holding another non-school uniform day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Again, ASSA ask children to bring in goods for the Christmas hampers in exchange for wearing their own choice of clothes for the day.

## **Children in Need**

For a variety of reasons, we have not raised money in school for Children in Need this year. We do, however, encourage you to support this excellent and worthy charity from home.

Have a lovely weekend, Nigel Roberts