

## Odd Socks Day

We are supporting Odd Socks Day once again this Monday 15th November. Odd Socks Day forms part of Anti-Bullying Week and is a chance to celebrate that we are all unique. All the children and staff need to do is wear odd socks! There is no charge for this event.



Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-bullying week, where we will be looking at how we all have a role to play in ensuring bullying doesn't happen. This year's anti bullying them is 'We are all unique'. If you would like more information, please find the flyer attached or click on the link below;

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/odd-socks-day/what-odd-socks-day>

## Remembrance Day



To mark Remembrance Day this week, each class was asked to write a 'poppy prayer'. These were shared in Thursday's whole school collective worship, led by Reverend Jane, and will now be displayed in school.

Reverend Jane told the children about the 'Field of Remembrance' on the village green opposite the church where they are welcome to place a poppy, or pebble with a poppy symbol, to show their respect for the fallen. Every class also took part in a two-minute silence at 11am, showing great respect.

## Rotary Shoe Box Appeal



We were delighted to be able to give Mr Lawrence from Fareham Meon Rotary Club the shoe boxes that you kindly donated this year. Over 30 boxes were donated by our school this year which will be put together with donations from other local schools to go to disadvantaged children in Albania, Montenegro, Ukraine, Belarus, Romania and Moldova. Thank you so much for your support.



## Meon Valley Food Bank

At the end of last term, Eloise and Thomas, in Year 6, helped to deliver our Harvest donations to the Meon Valley Foodbank at the Wickham Community Centre. The centre were overwhelmed by the generous offerings made by the children and families of Wickham Primary school. Thank you to everyone who made a donation at the Harvest Festival - the food bank can now help many more families in a time of need.



## Snacks

If you provide your child/children with snacks for break times then we ask that these are healthy options such as fruit, vegetables and cereal bars. Packets of crisps and chocolate bars are not appropriate snacks for school. Many thanks for your co-operation.

## Staff News

Mrs Wilkie will sadly be leaving Wickham Church of England Primary School at the end of this term to take up a leadership position in another local school. After attracting a very strong field of candidates, we are delighted to inform you that Mrs Sally Johnstone has been appointed to replace Mrs Wilkie from the beginning of January. Mrs Johnstone is a very experienced teacher and will also join the school's senior leadership team as Key Stage 1 and English Leader. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Wilkie for her enormous commitment to the school over the last five years. She will be very much missed and we wish her all the best for her new role.

## Parent Survey

As part of our ongoing school improvement, we always welcome your feedback. We would therefore appreciate it if you could please take a few moments to complete a short parent survey. Whilst we are incredibly proud of the school, your feedback enables us to address any concerns and continually improve. Although the survey is multiple choice, in order for this to be most effective, we would be grateful for, where appropriate, your constructive feedback in the comments section. Many thanks.

Please click on this link to complete the survey: [Parent Survey](#)

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 3/4 visit to Butser Farm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Non-Uniform Day: <a href="#">Donate here</a>
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Patronal Festival St Nicolas Church
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Term
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET Day
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	First day of term

