



Dear Parents,

This week in our collective worship, we focused on tolerance, following Sunday 16th's UN International Day for Tolerance. I began by sharing my love of Liquorice Allsorts, which led to a discussion about the variety of opinions we all have. We then moved on to the range of opinions about as when we should start decorating for Christmas. Some felt it should be at the start of Advent, some thought it should be sooner and we considered the suggestion that we could wait until Christmas Eve. This activity helped children explore tolerance through a topic they know and care about, giving them the chance to reflect on expressing their views kindly and respectfully.

As part of our OPAL initiative, this week we have added reels, tyres, bikes, and trikes to the playground. Children of all ages have loved racing each other and giving rides. It's been great to see them coming to school prepared for the colder weather so they can enjoy outdoor play.

Christmas is already a topic of conversation among staff! Exciting plans are underway for our Nativity celebration, which will be a whole-school collaboration supporting our FSU children in retelling the Christmas story. We can't wait to share this special event with you all.

It was fantastic to see half the school taking part in the Parkrun on Sunday! We shall host another meet up on the 14th December, but hopefully lots will return before then.

Inspired by this success, we have combined our new found love of running with a chance to do something good for the community. The school will take part in a Santa Fun Run at school on December 17<sup>th</sup>, raising money for Helen & Douglas House. More information will follow!

Wishing you all a warm and dry weekend,

Nadia Gosling

#### **Medical Reminders**

If your child uses an inhaler or any other medication, please ensure that we have it in school at all times. Medication should be kept at school, rather than travelling between home and school each day.

Please pop into the school office to complete the necessary medical forms and hand in any inhalers or medication. These will then be stored safely in your child's classroom so they are always available when needed.



**Headteacher Award**  
**Aria**  
**Well Done!**



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## Our Stars of the Week

Henry

Irina

Pollyanna

Alina

Ralph

Eliza

Edie

Lilly E

Roman

## Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is FSU with:

**100% attendance!**

**Whole school attendance**

**91%**

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:40. It makes such a difference!

## Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.40am  
8:30am—8:40am

Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.40am

CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm or  
3.15pm-5.30pm.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club or CAST, please book a place using the Arbor app. You do not need to book for Drop & Play.

All clubs are open to Reception through to Year 6 children only. If you could please try to get your clubs booked by **Midday Friday** for the week ahead, so that snacks can be arranged. As our numbers are increasing, we may not be able to accept last minute bookings due to the adult ratio's required. Bookings made after 12pm on Friday will incur a £2 late booking fee per session booked.

## Diary dates

- **21st November-12th December—Dance Club 3.15pm-4.15pm (pre-booked only. No club on 28th November)**
- **25th November—Dance Club (moved from 28th November)**
- **27th November Year3&4 Ruby Festival**
- **28th November—School Christmas Fair 3pm-5pm**
- **14th December—Park Run at Whitelands**
- **16th December—School Pantomime Trip for Reception-Yr6**
- **17th December—School Christmas Lunch**
- **17th December—Santa Fun Run at school**
- **18th December—School Nativity at St Marys Church 5.45pm**
- **19th December—School Nativity at St Marys Church 1.30pm**
- **19th December—School Finishes**



## PTA

We would be grateful for any cake donations, shop bought or home baked (**nut Free please**), for our Christmas Fair next Friday. Please drop them off at the school office from Wednesday 26th.



We are also holding a pre-loved Christmas clothing stall at the Christmas Fair, so if you have anything to donate, please drop it off at the school office by Wednesday 26th. We look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fair!

## FSU

We have been focusing on The Very Hungry Caterpillar this week and have created lots of crawly crafts. We have also been discussing healthy foods and categorising them into fruits and vegetables. The class loved our smoothie making session on Wednesday, we had lots of 10 out of 10 for taste!



## Year 1 & 2

This week has been assessment week throughout the school and I am very proud of how hard the children in Year 1 / 2 have worked. The Year 1 children completed phonics assessments to track their progress, and Year 2 children have had their first experience of doing assessment papers each day. They all did very well and took the process seriously. To let off steam between assessments we've been running around in icy weather at Forest School and performing shadow puppet shows in Science!



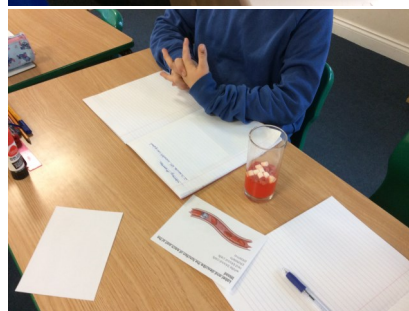
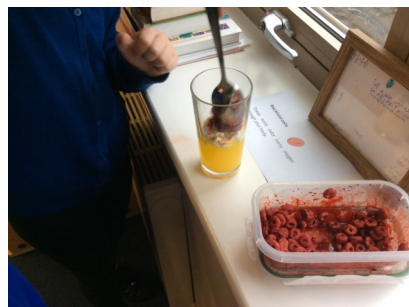
## Year 3 & 4

We are so proud of how the children in Year 3 and 4 have stepped up during assessment week. They have shown focus, determination and resilience to give them their best go. We hope they are as proud of themselves and we are for trying their hardest to use what they know to be the "best they can be." Well done! To balance these we have also enjoyed some brain breaks including parachute games, singing, dancing and a stacked cup challenge!



## Year 5 & 6

We made blood soup: the red Cheerio's represented the red blood cells; the white blood cells were mini marshmallows; the sprinkles represented the platelets; and the orange squash was the plasma.



## Safeguarding

Please contact Mrs Gosling or Mrs Clarke should you have any safeguarding concerns.



# Forest School





# Park Run



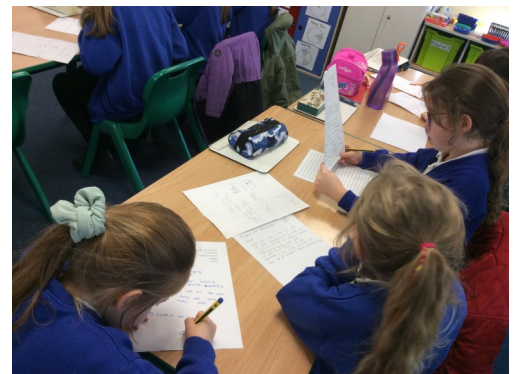
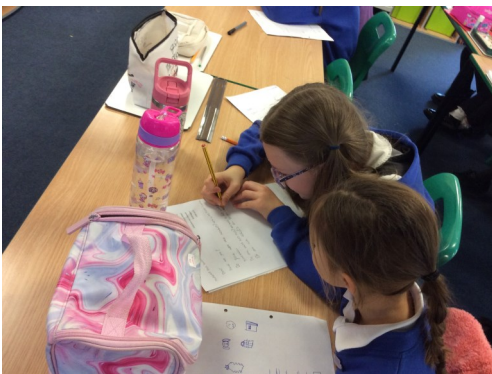


# OPAL



# Penpals

Some of the children have been busy writing letters to our pen pals from the local community.



We are looking for more members of the local community who would be interested in becoming a pen pal with a child at Charlton school. If you would like to be a pen pal, or know someone who would like to send and receive a letter, please contact the school office.