

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week we have welcomed, in a Covid safe way, potential new parents into school. Our enthusiastic new prefects showed them around and all visitors commented on the eloquent and positive way the children talked about the school and were impressed with their warm and polite manner. Thank you prefects. We also had a visit from a headteacher and professor from out of county who were shown around by the head boy and girl. Again, they reported back saying how impressed they were with the children and the school. We should all be very proud of our school, the children and the staff. I certainly am.

On Thursday, we held a one-minute silence to mark Remembrance Day which the whole school took part in. The teachers explained its meaning to the children in an age-appropriate way.

We have been recently given a substantial cheque by the Words Week committee. Words Week has recently come to an end and they have very kindly donated all the money raised to the school. This has been put towards the cost of new reading books for our phonics teaching. We are very grateful to them for their generosity and support of the school over a number of years. Many of the previous members of Words Week come into the school to be reading champions.

To confirm, we are having a non-school uniform day on 19th November and not 19th December. This does coincide with Children in Need Day so please click the link to donate a minimum of £1 to this amazing charity if you can.

Mulbarton Primary School is fundraising for BBC Children in Need (justgiving.com)

On Friday 10 December, we will be taking part in **Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day**. For details on how to donate, please see letter here.

This year, we are once again supporting **Sugar for Shelters** who have been collecting sugar for the homeless, needy and vulnerable in Norfolk and Suffolk for over 30 years. Sugar for Shelters works together with a Norfolk farm-based Christmas food charity (BEFA), founded by Mike Buckingham in 1985. Huge amounts of sugar are needed in Shelters and Food Kitchens in the cold days of winter and particularly over Christmas. Collecting sugar is simple, affordable and helps children focus on the Christmas spirit of giving. Please send a bag of sugar in with your child by Monday 6th December.

Please remember, if your financial circumstances change at any point, you may be eligible for free school meals. Please apply directly <u>here</u>, or you can collect a paper form from the school office.

Have a lovely weekend.

Bev Theobald