# School Newsletter

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#### Friday 8th November 2019

We have had a fabulous day reading Children In Need books, listening to stories, making book marks, reviewing books and going on vocab hunts. Please see our Facebook page for photos of the fun!



#### School Readiness

It is really important that every child turns up to school on time. School gates open at 8.45am and the school day starts at 8.55am. The expectation is for children to come in at 8.45am as your child's learning starts at 8.55am. If your child is 15 minutes late every day, it will add up to 2 weeks of the school year being missed!

#### The Book Bus

People Book Fair will be visiting.

#### Bun Day

On Wednesday we celebrated Bun Day. This annual tradition sees the vicar and sexton throw buns down to the schoolchildren and is something that the children love to be a part of. It is thought that this unusual custom commemorates the landing William of Orange at Torbay in November 1688.



Please dress up in spots- 50p per child or £1 per family. There will be a Cake Sale after school, please can you hand your cakes into the office in the morning. Please bring in coins to Fill our Pudsey with coins on the playground in the We are having a Colouring competition - 20p entry, hand in your finished colouring with your name to the office by Friday morning. There will also be an obstacle course at lunchtime -20p entry.

By Cain, Head of School Council



#### Poppy Appeal

Poppies are for sale in the school office. We are asking for a small donation for On Monday 25th November The Book the paper poppies and other merchandise is available for between 50p and £1.



#### Bag2School

Bags must be dropped off to the school office no later than 9am on Thursday 21st November.





#### Dates for the Diary

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Saturday 9th November	Christmas Fair
Monday 11th November	Remembrance Service
Monday 11th November	Netball
Friday 15th November	Children In Need
Friday 22nd November	Non-uniform day
Monday 25th November	The Book Bus
Wednesday 27th November	Flu Vaccinations



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## INFORMATION SESSIONS

(Parents, teaching assistants, teachers, child-minders and all other interested parties very welcome.)

Sessions are 1:30 – 3pm, repeated 3:30 - 5pm, in the community room at

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	Topic	Date	Notes
	How to talk so kids will listen and learn	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Back by popular demand! © - helps for home and school.
	Communicating & Interacting, Language & understanding	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	How would I know if my child had a language problem? Why language problems are so often seen as behaviour problems. Retired Ed Psych co-presenting.
	Friendship issues	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Great session for understanding different sorts of friendship issues seen in classroom or at home with strategies. Retired Ed Psych co-presenting.
	Preparing for Christmas for those children who have suffered <b>loss</b> or any <b>change</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	How to help a child suffering from one of these debilitating issues, in the classroom or at home, including working through the stages of grief. How loss, grief, separation and change are linked. Ways you can help a grieving parent. How children of different ages react. Covers divorce and bereavement too.
	Aspects of DYSLEXIA — 'Can you be a bit dyslexic?' and 'How to help children learn to read better'	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Hints and tips for empowering those who struggle to read. Straightforward and effective strategies for school and home, resources supplied.  Ideal for volunteers hearing reading in school. Also CODE book scheme info.
	Understanding boys' learning and motivation	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Boys can under-achieve, show disruptive behaviour and lack motivation for learning. We will learn about boys' brains, matching needs to activities and creating boy-friendly lessons, classrooms and homes. We'll look at shame too. Retired Ed Psych co-presenting.
-	Preparing for Christmas; keep calm and MISP	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Children who overreact /are not maximising their potential; could this be the way forward for your child (in class/at home)? Learn strategies to keep yourself and the class calm. Massage in Schools Programme – feel free to ring for more details.

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