

Dear Parents/Carers

We have a variety of news to update you on so far this half term.

Remembrance



In our Remembrance Assembly we honoured the memory of the fallen and pledged to care for the living. We discussed how Remembrance Day is conducted in different countries around the world and reflected together in a two-minute silence.

Children in Need

Thank you to the School Council for organising Children in Need at Cedars this year. The children and staff certainly enjoyed dressing up! We raised £264 for this very worthy cause.



Staffing Update



As you are already aware, after 9 years of dedicated practice at Cedars' nursery, Alison Smith (Nursery Nurse) recently took up a new post.

We have successfully appointed Lily Crawley as our new nursery nurse. Lily has five years' experience of successfully supporting early years children within the private sector. She is currently enjoying getting to know the school and our wonderful children.

Mrs Alison Cowling (Teaching Assistant) will be leaving Cedars on Friday 2nd December 2022 after 15 years to take up a new challenge outside of the education sector. I want to thank Mrs Cowling for all of her hard work and dedication to Cedars and wish her well in her new post.

From Monday 5th December 2022, we have appointed Mrs Stephanie Woods as our new Early Years Teaching Assistant. As you are aware Steph works in our Breakfast and After School Club. She will be continuing with her Breakfast Club position. We are currently recruiting for after school club.

Choir

On Saturday Cedars' Choir sang beautifully at St. Peter and St. Paul's Church. Thank you to Miss Pollendine, Mrs Lockley & Mr Tearle for preparing the children well and Miss Parker-Routh for supporting the staff team on the day.



PTFA Disco

Thank you to the Cedars' PTFA for organising three super discos for the children, Children's Christmas Card Designs and a Pizza Tea. This has raised just under £600 for the school!

This will pay for a Christmas Gift for each child and money towards purchasing additional copies of year group core Reading Texts for the children to enjoy.

Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 8th December



On Thursday 8th December 2022, we will be taking part in **Christmas Jumper Day**. Christmas Jumper Day is an annual fundraising campaign in the UK and Ireland organised by charity 'Save the Children in the UK'. If you would like your child to take part, please send them to school on this day wearing a Christmas Jumper alongside their school uniform. We will send a Parentmail nearer the time detailing how you can make a donation.

Basketball Festivals - Years 3-6

During the last term years 3, 4 5 and 6 have been developing their basketball skills and learning the rules of the game. A group of year 4 and 5/6 children took part in a festival with other local schools. There was an opportunity to again develop their skills, as well as play small games. At the end of each festival, the children in each team were asked to vote for their most valued player. The year 4 most valued player was Gregor and the year 5/6 player was Sonny.

The members of the basketball teams were: Ewan, Warith, Sonny, Clarke, Ellie-Mae, Francesca, Ruby, Krystal. Kendall, Suri, Meadow, Letchan, Gregor, Harrison, Eddie. S, Eddie. E, Harry.

These children were a real credit to Cedars during the festival and have also been given a sports cap. Well done Team Cedars!

Celebration Assembly

Each week the Class Teacher chooses children for a special award: 'Certificate of Achievement and Recognition' and 'The Cedars' Way Award'. Many congratulations to the following children for their special awards this half term so far:

Certificate of Achievement and Recognition

Quincy, Albert, Charlie, Lilianna, Anna, Eli, Rosalie, Amy, Alex, Ozir, Ryan, Archie, Riley, Joshua, Bonnie, Maddie, Amelie, Amaya, Lucy, Joseph, Lyla, Clark, Nellie, Jack, Archie and Liam.

The Cedars' Way Award

Edie, Harvey, Maryam, Willow, Lucas, Eli, Ewan, Poppy, Lewis, Summer, Gerogia, Ryan, Meadow, Amelie, Summer, Jason, Alex, Riley Willow, Bastian, Cayden, Poppy, Jemima and Ellie.

Cedars' Church Service - Reception - Year 6



In true Cedar's tradition, we are very

much looking forward to being able to finally hold once again a Christmas Church Service at St Peter and St Paul's Church on the last day of the Autumn term. We look forward to you joining us on Friday 16th December 2022 at 2pm.

Kind regards

Lisa Munday