



This week has been a mixed time of contemplation and fun, marking Remembrance Day on Wednesday in the year of the 75th anniversary of VE Day and then raising money for Children in Need today with our pyjama day. These very different days have both given us the opportunity to come together to mark the events and as always, I feel fortunate to be part of our strong school community. As you may know, unfortunately we have had another positive COVID-19 test result in school this week, this time in Year 1 and it has been necessary to close the year group bubble. We can't wait until the children are back in school, but as always, we will be checking on their progress whilst they learn from home.

Inset day tomorrow

Please note that tomorrow, Friday 13th November, will be a staff training day when the school will be closed to pupils. Term dates and staff training dates are available on the website.

Staying warm

Due to COVID-19 measures, we are ensuring that windows in classrooms stay open at present to improve ventilation. As the days turn colder, you may wish your child to wear an extra layer, either a vest or plain white T-shirt etc. under their school uniform to help them stay warm.

Online game Among Us

Among Us is a popular game on the internet at the moment, which many of our pupils have reported they are playing. Whilst it is rated as being suitable for 7 year olds and above to play, please note that the game does allow players to 'chat' to each other and the chat stream is not monitored for content. We therefore ask you to be vigilant in checking the conversations that children are being exposed to and to talk with them about being safe online to back up the information we give them in school.

Face coverings

Please remember that we ask that all adults coming onto site now wear a suitable face covering to help us to keep our school community safe. This will be in effect until further notice. When dropping off or collecting pupils, if you do not have a face covering, you will be asked to wait outside the school until the playground is quieter so that you do not come into contact with other families.



Reception applications for 2021 entry

It has been so lovely to speak to new families in our virtual information sessions so far and talk about everything that makes our school so wonderful. If you know anyone whose child will be starting Reception next year, please encourage them to visit our website for more information about these sessions, which will be held on:

- Monday 16th November 2020 at 2:30pm
- Thursday 26th November 2020 at 10:00am
- Wednesday 2nd December 2020 at 9:30am, with Arabic translation
- Monday 7th December 2020 at 9:30am, with Urdu translation



Remembrance Day

Thank you to Year 6 who led us in a well thought-out Remembrance Day assembly yesterday. Pupils from Years 3-6 gathered on the playground in their bubbles at 11am, whilst our younger pupils spent time in their classrooms as we all observed the two minute silence, which started and ended with the school bell being rung. We thought of all of those, including pupils from the school, who were killed or injured physically or mentally in all conflicts, so that we can have the opportunity to come to school to learn, have fun and live freely.



We will remember them.

Children in Need pyjama day

We have had a snuggly day in our PJs at Tindal today! Thank you to everyone who came dressed for the occasion, showed off their best bedtime wear and donated towards this very worthwhile cause.

Children in Need is a BBC charity set up 40 years ago to raise money to help ensure that “every child in the UK is safe, happy, secure and has the opportunities they need to reach their full potential.” Children in Need day in November, along with fundraising throughout the year, raises money which is donated to over 3900 local charities and projects which echo this aim.



Safeguarding Information

Our Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all of its pupils. We believe that everyone has an important part to play in child protection. If you have any concerns about the wellbeing or safety of any child, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Leads, Miss Francis, Mrs Mockbil, Mrs Vigers or Miss Saboor. For your information, our Safeguarding Governor is Daniel Richards and the Local Authority Designated Officers (LADOs) are Nora Malik, Salma Shabir and Tracey Johnson. Our Safeguarding Policy is available on the Academy website.