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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

"Following in Jesus' Footsteps with Love in Our Hearts"

Friday 6th November 2026

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back to school this week and to see our children returning with such enthusiasm and positivity.

During this week's Gospel Assembly, we reflected on a very special question: *What is our life's goal as Christians?* Together, we explored the idea that we are all called to become saints. Whilst this may seem like a big challenge, we reminded the children that becoming a saint starts with the small choices we make every day.

At our school, we can work towards this goal by following our school rule of love in all that we do. When we show kindness, forgiveness, respect and compassion towards others, we are living out Jesus' teachings and helping to make our school a place where everyone feels valued and cared for.
As we begin another busy and exciting half term, let us all strive to put love at the centre of our words, actions and decisions. In doing so, we take one step closer to becoming the people God calls us to be.



Please find below this week's link to the 'Wednesday Word' leaflet, inspired by the coming Sunday's Gospel. It includes fun, family-friendly activities for children, and I encourage parents to spend a special 10 minutes each week exploring it together. I hope you enjoy it!
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Nursery

This week, Nursery enjoyed learning all about Bonfire night. The children enjoyed observing a real fire and tasting some delicious, toasted marshmallows. What a wonderful afternoon!



Reception

This week we have celebrated Bonfire night; lighting our own bonfire, toasting marshmallows and painting firework pictures.



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Year One

This week Year One have been making Poppies for our Remembrance service.



Year Two

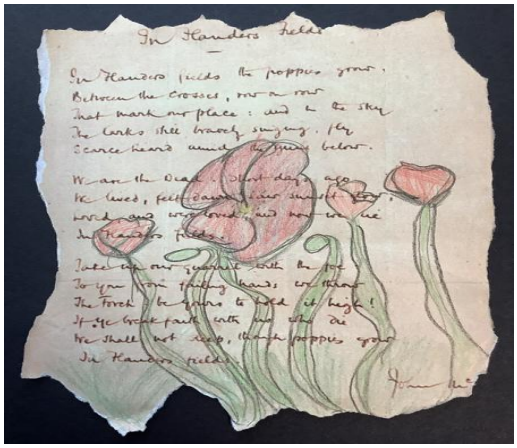
Year Two became digital photographers in Computing today! We explored how to take a great photograph, what makes a good picture and the importance of asking for consent before taking someone's photo. We also developed our understanding of staying safe and respectful when using digital technology. Super work, Year Two!

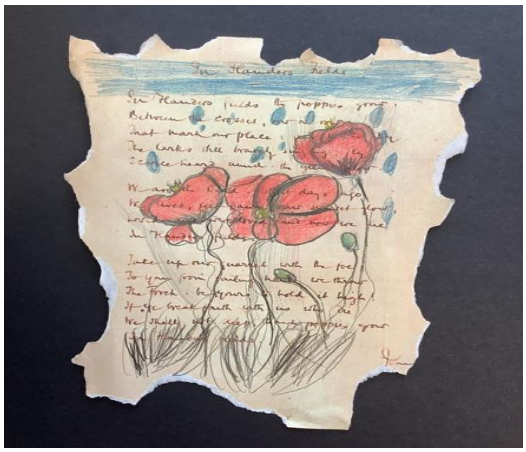


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Year Three

Year Three explored the poem 'In Flanders Fields' and learnt how it inspired the tradition of selling poppies in remembrance of those who lost their lives in war. The children created beautiful mixed-media poppy artwork to remember and honour them.





Year Four

Year Four worked together to create beautiful poppies for our remembrance wreath, showing great care, creativity and respect as they reflected on the importance of Remembrance.



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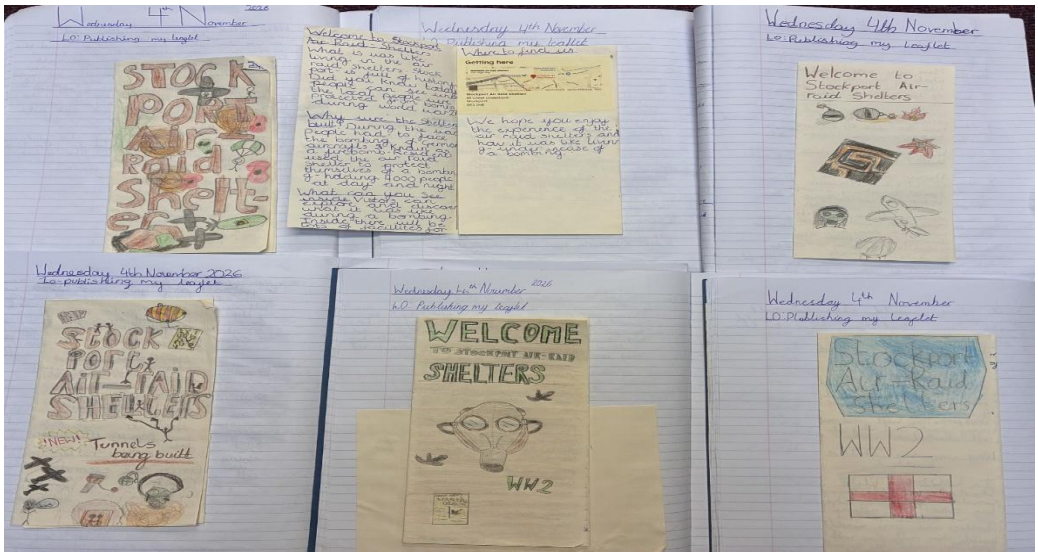
Year Five

This week Year Five have made the wreath for our choir to lay at the remembrance service on Saturday at Ryecroft Hall.



Year Six

Year Six thoroughly impressed us with their beautifully presented air raid shelter leaflets, produced after their recent visit and filled with fascinating historical information.



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Forthcoming Events

Autumn 2 - 2026

Monday 9th November – Odd socks day to mark 'Anti-bullying Week'

Wednesday 11th November – Remembrance Day

Friday 13th November – Wear blue accessories to mark 'World Diabetes Day'

Friday 20th November – Year Three Advent Assembly **09:15am-** Parents invited to watch

Friday 20th November – Final Day to place order for Traditional Christmas Lunch and Party Lunch *(If your child already has a school dinner, they will be included in the numbers)*

Thursday 26th November – Year Four Advent Assembly **09:15am** Parents invited to watch

Friday 27th November – INSET Day – School closed for children

Sunday 29th November – Advent begins – St Anne's Church Christmas Fair **10:30am**

Monday 30th November – EYFS Nativity – **09:45am** Parents invited to watch

Tuesday 1st December - EYFS Nativity – **09:45am** Parents invited to watch

Wednesday 2nd December – KS1 Nativity - **09:45am** Parents invited to watch

Thursday 3rd December - KS1 Nativity - **09:45am** Parents invited to watch

Friday 4th December – Year 5 Advent Assembly **09:15am** Parents invited to watch

Thursday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day, Traditional Christmas Lunch & School Christmas Markets from **15:30-17:00pm**

Friday 11th December – Year 6 Advent Assembly **09:15am-** Parents invited to watch

Tuesday 15th December – Pantomime in school **10:00-11:30am** for all children

Wednesday 16th – Advent Mass in school & Party Lunch

Thursday 17th December – Santa Dash! Children to wear Santa hats and run for charity

Friday 18th December – School closes at **13:30am** for Christmas.

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Attendance

Year Six are our attendance winners this week! 98% Well done!

Reception	86%
Year 1	97%
Year 2	97.2%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	94%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	98%



Birthdays:

Delilah, Matan, Azryah, Narla and Molly