Waverley Abbey School

All things are possible for one who believes. Mark 9:23

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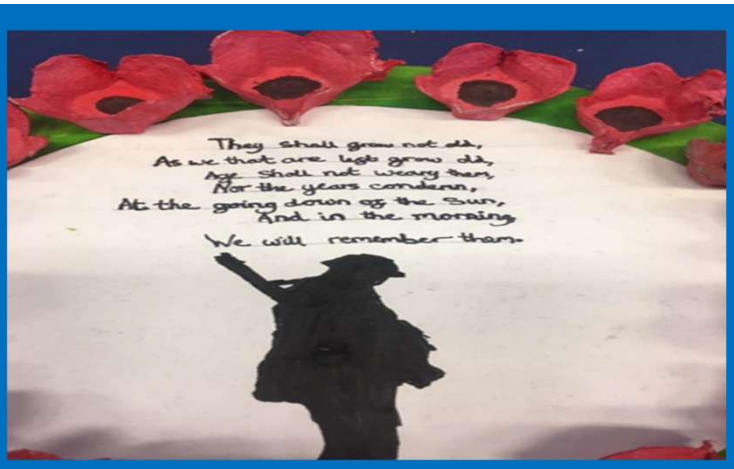

School Newsletter 5
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Next week's worship theme – Giving Praise

Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.
1 Thessalonians 5:11

Next week is a full but exciting week! On Monday we begin our Anti Bullying Week. We would love the children to come in on Monday wearing odd socks – be as crazy as you can! We celebrate 'odd socks day' at Waverley as it highlights how we are all completely unique – which is something we love to celebrate. This year's theme, ***Break the Silence***, encourages children, young people and adults to start conversations about bullying, speak up, listen and take action together. The theme was developed in collaboration with the anti-bullying sector and shaped directly by the voices of more than 200 children and young people, many of whom spoke about the silence that can surround bullying and the barriers they face in asking for help.

This week the children stopped on Armistice Day for two minutes to remember all those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. Before this, the children in Year 6 lead our worship, reciting war poetry, reflecting on the significance of the poppy and leading us in prayer. Thank you to all of those children who contributed and to the rest of the school who marked this occasion with the upmost respect.

Thank you for supporting this year's book fair. If you have not yet had the chance, there is still time to purchase books. For every two books bought in the fair, the school is able to buy a book for the library. Parents have always been brilliant here, supporting us to purchase a wide variety of books every year. Our library really would rival any local one thanks to your kindness.

As it becomes colder and wetter, please continue to make sure your children have warm coats to wear for playtimes. Recently the children have had to come in when the rain is still light due to the number who have not bought a coat in to school with them. We would like to keep children outside at break and lunch, even when it is blustery and raining as we know how much benefit they get from being in the fresh air. Your support in this is greatly appreciated.

A reminder from FOWA that next Thursday is our autumn film night. To sign your child up for this and to pay for the event, please go to the SCOPay website. If you have a DBS and are able to come along to support the event, please let the FOWA team know.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Marshall

Aiden's Fundraiser

Aiden is a former Waverley Abbey pupil and has a sibling in Year 4, he is fundraising to help Nakuru Grace Academy in Kenya. He will be helping at the school next summer and any funds raised will directly help the children of Nakuru Grace to continue to receive free education.

Last weekend, Aiden took part in a River Thames litter pick as part of his sponsored activities. He filled a shopping trolley (that he'd pulled out of the river) with items, he was able to recycle a fair amount of these.

If you are able and would like to, any donations would gratefully be received.

https://gofund.me/856a34dc0

Thank you.





Caterlink Survey

As part of our commitment to continually improving our catering service, we would be grateful for your support in completing our Parent & Pupil survey.

The survey takes approximately 9 minutes to complete and will provide us with valuable feedback on what we are doing well and, importantly, where we can improve our service.

The survey will remain open until 20 December, and we encourage as many families and pupils as possible to take part.

Thank you for your support in helping us gather this important feedback. The insights provided by you will help shape our service moving forward.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCYZD5L

Calling All Parents

School grounds working party on Saturday 21st November from 10am – 1pm.

Please join Miss Haines and Miss Mackenzie-Gray to help tidy up the garden areas ready for Spring.

No sign up required, just turn up.

Please contact Miss Haines if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Uniform Reminder

Please ensure children continue to wear shoes to school rather than boots. Boots are not part of our school uniform policy.

Thank you.

Diary Dates 2026

November	
Monday 16th	Odd Socks Day
Thursday 19th	Non-Uniform Day FOWA PG Film Night - 3:30pm - 5:30pm
Saturday 21st	School Grounds Working Party 10am - 1pm
December	
Tuesday 1st	Rocksteady Christmas Concert - 2pm
Wednesday 2nd	4LH Clarinet Concert - 2:30pm
Thursday 3rd	Edwin's Bake Sale - Year 6 Playground - 3pm
Monday 7th	Year 6 Showcase - 2:30pm
Tuesday 8th	Year 5 Christmas Production -2pm Year 3 Christmas Production - 5pm
Wednesday 9th	Year 3 Christmas Production - 2pm Year 5 Christmas Production - 5pm
Thursday 10th	Year 3 Pantomime Visit FOWA Christmas Fair
Monday 14th	Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
Tuesday 15th	Year 5 Church Service, All Saints Church, Tilford - 9:30am Year 3 Church Service, All Saints Church, Tilford - 2pm
Wednesday 16th	Year 6 Church Service, All Saints Church, Tilford - 9:30am Year 4 Church Service, All Saints Church, Tilford - 2pm
Friday 18th	Last Day of Term
January 2027	
Monday 4th	INSET Day
Tuesday 5th	Return To School
Tuesday 14th	Year 4 Anglo Saxon Day
Monday 25th	Year 3 Butser Ancient Farm Visit