



Newsletter

We were all deeply saddened to hear the news that Lucy R had passed away on Monday morning. As a former pupil Lucy had touched the lives of many in our school community. The thoughts of our whole school community are with Lucy's family at this extremely difficult time.

Members of staff have been given the opportunity to attend Lucy's funeral. This may mean that some of the classes will be put together in the hall for a part of the afternoon. I am sure that you will understand in this exceptional circumstance.

Thank you for your recent donations to the Lucy's Bluebird Trust. Over £800 was raised. Last week we celebrated Children in Need and raised an incredible £1,145 thank you for your kind donations.

It has been a very busy few weeks with children and adults from the school involved in a number of community events. Teachers and children were involved in the First 50 march, children performed at the church for the First 50 performance and others also performed at The Genting Arena in the Lest We Forget concert. Children have also represented the school at a number of sporting events. Well done to all.

Miss Davies and Mrs Rowsell left to begin their maternity leave at the beginning of November. I am sure you will join with me in wishing them well over the next few weeks! I would like to welcome Miss Cowie to the school and I'm sure she will enjoy her time here as a part of our team and teaching Penguin Class.

Winter is upon us so please ensure that your children have appropriate clothing in school. All items of clothing must be named.

It has been wonderful to see so many parents joining us for the Reading Cafes and Cake and Calculation mornings. We will be holding more of these workshops throughout the year.

I hope that you have an enjoyable weekend. Thank you for your continued support.

Paul Driver
Headteacher

Friday 8th November the Victory Voices choir performed at the First Fifty event at St John's Church in Hugglescote. They sang a selection of WW1 songs including Pack up your troubles in your old Kit bag and It's a long way to Tipperary. Despite a cold rainy evening, the children managed to keep the home fires burning in our hearts as we commemorated the centenary and sang out for the fallen!

We were so proud of the children and several parents commented on the children's excellent behaviour and beautiful sound. They represented our school perfectly. Bless 'em all!

A special mention must go to the soloists Sarah Allen, jasmine baker, Ella Mai and Campbell who performed in the play and sang 'When the Lord is by my side', a hymn composed by the playwright.

Thank you to parents for supporting us in this worthy cause. We will remember them.

Polite Reminder

We would like to remind all parents/carers that if you wish to speak to your child's teacher after school and they are not either available on a door or on the playground that you call in at the school office where they will check the teacher's availability.

For safeguarding reasons, we request that parents/carers do not enter the building through the KS2 back doors or enter classrooms unaccompanied.

Thank you for your understanding.

The Recreation of the First Fifty March on 28.10.18

On **30th October, 1918**, fifty soldiers marched from their base to the church of St John Baptist in Hugglescote, where a service was held for them. As they left, the church bells rang and they were led by a marching band as they marched to the train station to travel to Luton. The streets were lined with people cheering them along. Here they would continue their training until they left from Southampton to France.

On 28th October 2018 this march of the first fifty volunteers was recreated. Hundreds of people lined the streets and followed behind the marching soldiers. Amongst these 50 were our very own **Mr Ward** and **Mr Watts**.



These re-enactors worked hard before the event to perfect their marching skills. It was wonderful to see them display such dignity and professionalism.



After the march the soldiers arrived back at Hugglescote Community Centre, where the Marlborough Church Choir performed. They sang songs from WWI and narrated a war time story. Again Hugglescote School staff, who are part of this choir, did us proud. Well done to **Miss Watson, Mrs Hurst, Mr Nash, Mrs Kirby, Mrs Smith and Mrs Ford**.



Girls County Table Tennis final. Our girls represented NW Leicestershire superbly, finishing a respectable 5th after qualifying from the group stages with the eventual winners & runners up! When you consider that over 100 teams entered, it's a great result! [#NWLSSP](#) [#LR_Sport](#)



Sports Hall Athletics results are in! And...

We finished 2nd out of 18 schools! A great result in our first Sports Hall Athletics competition for a long time. Daily Mile beginning to work? Congratulations to the whole team for such a fantastic effort!



Cross Country - Well done to all of the competitors on a breezy morning at Prestwold Hall. Some great results!



Lest We Forget

On Saturday 3rd November a group of pupils, who sing as part of the Bel Canto choir, performed in a remembrance event at the Genting Arena in Birmingham. Thank you so much to the parents/carers who accompanied the children for this memorable event.

The Christmas Craft Club have made their first decoration 🎄



Dates for the Diary

Please find diary dates below

November

30th- Non-uniform day- bottles/choc donations please

December

- 1st – Prestwold Hall
- 4th- Y2 first swimming lesson
- 4th- 5GW Tudor Christmas Visit
- 5th- 8RW Athena Christmas Party
- 7th-Christmas Fair 6-8pm
- 7th-5LC Tudor Christmas Visit
- 10th- EYFS Nativity (afternoon)
- 11th- EYFS Nativity (evening)
- 11th- KS1 Nativity (afternoon)
- 12th- KS1 Nativity (evening)
- 13th- Christmas Dinner
- 13th- Book Fair (all day)
- 13th- Flu Immunisations
- 14th- Christmas Panto
- 14th- Christmas Jumper Day
- 18th- Y5 to Church
- 21st- End of Term

A huge thank you to [@M_ECEngineers](#) for teaching our children the importance of road safety in assembly. Thanks for the reflective tags too [#RoadSafetyWeek](#)

