



**Edition 9: Friday 12th November
2021**

Dates for your Diary

Mon 8 th -Fri 12 th Nov	Selling poppies for British Legion
Mon 15 th Nov	Odd Socks Day
Mon 15 th Nov	Launch of Christmas Toy Appeal
Thurs 18 th Nov	EFYS Sept 2022 Tours
Friday 19 th November	Children in Need. Non school uniform day.
Tues 23 rd and Weds 24 th Nov	Individual Photos
Mon 29 th Nov-Weds 1 st Dec	Hedgehog class visit to Minstead
Weds 1 st Dec-Fri 3 rd Dec	Badger class visit to Minstead
Mon 6 th Dec	Flu Immunisation Day
Fri 10 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Weds 15 th Dec	Christmas lunch
Fri 17 th Dec	3.15pm Break up for Christmas

This week at Parsons Down...

- ✓ It has been a challenging week for many of us as we digested the incredibly sad news that Mrs Marsh had lost her beautiful baby girl, Phoebe. Thank you for your messages of support. We are exploring how we can come together as a community and support Mrs Marsh, her family and those that have helped them through this tragic loss.
- ✓ **Attendance this week** in EYFS and Key Stage 1 was 95.7% this week and for Key Stage 2 it was 96.8%. We are noticing a number of families are late on a daily basis. 10 minutes late every day means that your child misses 50 minutes education every week. It is really important children are on time for school.
- ✓ Please see the attached flier about upcoming tours of the Partnership for families looking for a school place for a **Foundation Stage in September 2022**.
- ✓ Many thanks for your support with this year's Poppy appeal. Yesterday, we marked **Remembrance Day** with age appropriate acts of remembrance.
- ✓ Monday 15th November marks the beginning of **Anti Bullying week**. This year it has the motto, one kind word. We will start the week by encouraging everyone to wear odd socks as we celebrate diversity and difference.
- ✓ On Monday 15th November 5 representatives of our school council will be accompanying Mrs Bull to the launch of the **Swift Couriers Annual Toy appeal** launch. If you would be willing and able to donate a Christmas gift for the appeal we will take them along on launch day. Gifts need to be unwrapped and the age range is from 0-19. Gifts can be brought into class or reception. Thank you to those families that have already donated a gift.
- ✓ On Friday 19th November it is **Children in Need** and the School Council have organised a non-school uniform day to raise money.
- ✓ **Individual school photos** will be on 23rd and 24th November. I'm afraid we are unable to offer sibling photos this year due to our Covid risk assessment and the reality of mixing multiple siblings in the hall. I appreciate this will be disappointing for families that cherish these photos.

Finally, be kind, be safe, be respectful, Mrs Bull



