

# **Alfriston School**

Fair, friendly, fulfilling and fun!



# Newsletter - 29th November 2021

### **Drusillas Trip**

On Wednesday, last week, Sapphire class visited Drusillas Park to support their Science learning on this term's topic, 'Animals including Humans'. They consolidated their knowledge on vertebrates, invertebrates and the three types of skeletons. In addition, they met and stroked, Prince the royal python, Gerry the gerbil, Slate the skink lizard, John the chinchilla and Gretal the armadillo. Of course, they found time too to ride on the train and play in the adventure playground! Their conduct was exemplary and they were complimented on their fantastic knowledge and intelligent questions.



#### Anti-Bullying/Friendship Week

As part of our Anti-Bullying/Friendship week, children and staff were invited to come to school wearing odd socks to help celebrate what makes us all unique.

During the week the children took part in lots of other activities and during a special assembly thought of 'One Kind Word' which was the theme for this year.



These words were used to make a whole school display - something from every child!

# This term's events ......

Thursday 2nd December Monday 6th December Thursday 9th December Tuesday 14th December

Wednesday 15th December

Christmas Decor Open Classroom Pearl & Ruby Class Nativity performance to parents (pm) Class Christmas parties Year 5/6 cross country Christmas lunch Christmas film afternoon Christmas jumper day (in return for charity donation)

# **Armistice Day**

On 11th November, our Year 5 & 6 children joined The Royal British Legion, Reverend Stephen and other members of our village community on The Tye to pay their respects on behalf of the school. They represented us all

brilliantly, as always. A Remembrance Prayer, written by Isobel, was read out at the service by herself and her fellow House Captains, Lucy and Dakota, and then the Remembrance Wreath from the pupils, staff and our school community was laid in the church. All the children



sang the Latin canon 'Dona Nobis Pacem', meaning 'Grant Us Peace'. Thank you to Stephen and Kelly from Andrew's Church for teaching us this beautiful song.

#### **Ruby Class Autumn Walk**

On Wednesday, Ruby Class enjoyed an Autumn walk to the

Recreation Ground. Armed with coats and wellies, we went in search of signs of Autumn. The children were very excited and engaged as we collected evidence to bring back to the classroom for exploration. The children stepped into the role of scientists as they observed changes in the environment and looked carefully at leaves, mushrooms, trees, berries, seeds and more! There was also lots of jumping in crunchy leaves!





Molly competed in a National Gymnastics competition in Milton Keynes last weekend. It was a tough day where she competed on the beam, bars and floor. She came home with a bronze for floor. She is very proud of herself and so she should be.

Lucy, Nell and Joe recently took part in the Ron Easton East Sussex Hockey Tournament, playing for Lewes



Hockey Club. Nell and Joe's teams won the tournament and will go on to play the winners of West Sussex! Lucy received a medal for her great play both in goal and on the pitch.

