

### Key Dates

- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day.
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Y5/6 Netball Tournament 4:00pm-5:30pm.
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February – Year 4 Family Assembly.
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Mock Day, Year 10 English Literature.
- Tuesday 12 February – Y5/6 Netball 4:00-5:30pm.
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Staff Training Day.  
**NON PUPIL DAY.**

### Holocaust Assembly



This week, Primary and Secondary school watched a short assembly commemorating Holocaust Memorial Day. We not only remembered the devastating amount of Jews killed, but also the lesser known groups that were forced to concentration camps by the Nazis. From this we take away the key message that prejudice, discrimination and intolerance must be challenged in any form, whenever and wherever we see it, lest we let society degrade to a point in which such a tragedy can take place again.

### Literacy Focus

#### National Storytelling Week

January 26<sup>th</sup> to February 2<sup>nd</sup>



Oral storytelling is one of the most ancient artforms, and continues to this day as a vibrant part of culture throughout the world. National Storytelling Week is celebrated by all ages enjoying- Folk tales, fairy lore, figments, phantoms, dragons, serpents, storms at sea. A good teller will conjure intriguingly.

Stories are one of the greatest gifts a parent or grandparent can give to their child. Reading to your child is a great way of spending quality time together but there is always the book between you and them. When you tell stories there is much greater opportunity for your child to contribute to the story, it also gives you the freedom to tailor the story to suit your child or tell stories that have never been written down.

Traditionally stories have been used to teach children important lessons for life, the importance of kindness, courage in adversity and that no matter how bad things get there is always hope for the future. True stories about family members can draw children and adults, into a deeper understanding of their family. The stories you remember from your childhood can be shared and enjoyed again with your children.

Advice to parents on family storytelling can be found here <https://sfs.org.uk/content/family-storytelling> so gather round to share a story and enjoy some quality family time.

### **New member of staff in the Science dept.**

The Science department is pleased to introduce to parents and students alike, its newest member of staff. Professor Bones comes highly recommend to the school by a Mr Philip Harris, who says that Professor Bones is an expert in the fields of anatomy and orthopaedics. Professor Bones looks forward to meeting students and helping them in their studies.



*Professor Bones*

### **Netball**

On Tuesday this week the Year 5/6 netball team took part in their first netball games. Losing their first game 1-0, before triumphantly winning their second game. Well done girls!

