

Key Dates

- **19th November – Staff training Day- school closed to all pupils**
- 28th November – Reception-Y9 Flu Nasal Vaccinations
- 29th November – Y8 & Y9 Safety Theatre event.
- 29th November – Primary Parents' Evening – 4pm-6:30pm.
- 30th November – Careers Fair
- KS1 Nativity performances – Monday 3rd December @ 9.30am , Tuesday 4th December @ 2pm
- KS2 Nativity performances –Monday 3rd December @ 2pm, Tuesday 4th December @ 9.30am
- 6th December @ 2pm Secondary Carol Service

Pages of the Sea



Y5 marked the 100 years of Armistice by staging their own Pages of the Sea event

down at Roker Beach last week. The children drew silhouettes, recited war poetry and scattered flowers into the sea. It was a poignant and memorable day.



A lasting memorial



Our final 2018 act of remembrance, marking 100 years since the end of World War One, was to scatter Flanders Field poppy seeds around the front of the school site. Children from every year group from Reception to Year 13 were represented and scattered seeds which we hope will serve as a lasting memorial to those who paid the ultimate price for our freedom.



Creative Writing Workshop and storytelling evening



We are very much looking forward to another evening with master storyteller, Chris

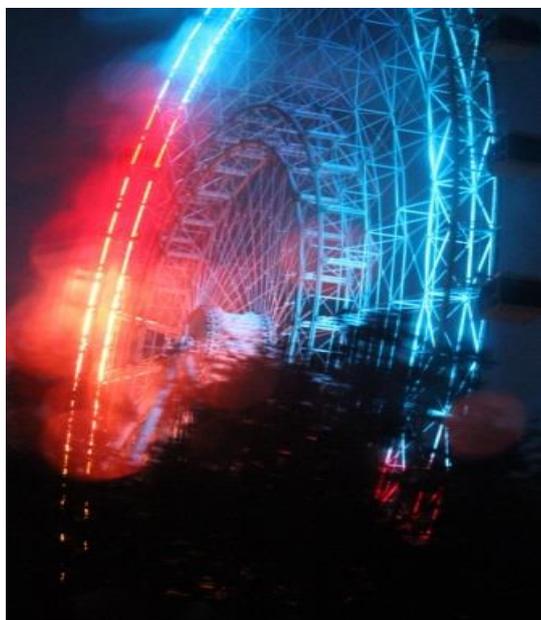
Connaughton, on Thursday December 6th December (£10 per ticket, further details will be released via a letter). Chris will also be delivering a creative writing and drama workshop, based upon A Christmas Carol, to all KS2 classes on the same day.

Y5/6 Football

The football team signed off the autumn campaign with another hard working performance against St Leonard's Primary. The Man of the Match award went to Will Howe, who is playing with maturity, strength and a focus beyond his years. Competitive fixtures will recommence in February – plenty of time to get in extra training!

GCSE Photography

The Image of the Month photography competition (October) was won by Evie Hodson for her night-time photograph of a big wheel. Well done Evie!



through the atmosphere, following Newton's third law, "for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction". In the picture shown (courtesy of O. Crennell and a video capture) you can just see the gases being forced out of the bottle as the reaction force moves the bottle upwards.

Anti-Bullying Week

Children have had a successful and enjoyable week taking part in a wide range of activities which promote kindness, respect and a deeper understanding of the impact of bullying. We have had lots of fun along the way but have a clear understanding of the key messages. Our competition winners will be announced next week after judging on Friday.

Odd Socks



STEM Club years 7-9



Wednesday evening saw the inaugural flight of the "Green Goblin", a hydrogen /oxygen powered bottle rocket. This was a 2 litre pop bottle filled with two thirds hydrogen and one third oxygen, which when lit,

exploded in a highly exothermic reaction, producing a large volume of rapidly expanding gas, forced out the neck of the bottle. As the gases are forced out, the bottle is forced upwards

Wall of Respect statements



Slogan and poster competition



Respect and friendship



These activities have helped our children to understand the definition of respect and that respect is a choice that we make in everyday situations.

Our 2018 Advent Challenge

On Thursday Rev. Young and Rev. Bagnall from St. Mary's and St. Peter's Church visited secondary students during their assembly. We have been challenged to consider an advent challenge. It would be wonderful if all members of our school community would consider being involved too Please see the link below for more information.

<https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/get-involved/adventchallenge/>



This year, take on 24 acts of kindness to show those around you there's more to Christmas than they might have first thought...

With a choice of three challenges each day, can you take practical actions throughout Advent to share the meaning of Christmas with those around you? Join us to unpack the nativity story in the light of Scripture in daily reflections — and put the lessons into action.

Year 1 Great Fire of London Bakers

This week, the Year 1 classrooms transformed into a 'London bakeries' as we learnt about the Great Fire of London. We followed a 1666 recipe to bake bread then ate some bread that in Blue Peter style had 'been made earlier'.



Have a wonderful week everyone.
We wish you and your loved ones every blessing.

Year 1 Maths lesson

Some of our Secondary students came into Primary last Friday to complete some research for their project. When they came into Year 1, they were eagerly welcomed by the pupils who enjoyed having some help from the older pupils with a few of their Maths questions.



Appointments

Could all parents please ensure appointments are booked outside of the school day or at the weekend. It is important that students are present for the AM register and the PM register otherwise this impacts their attendance percentage.