

## St Amand's Primary School—Information for Parents

# **NEWSLETTER**

23 November 2020

#### **Dear Parents**

I would like to bring to your attention some school activities in the coming week and during Advent. Please find the PTA Christmas letter with details of a few things that we will be able to safely do this December.

#### This week

On **Wednesday 25 November**, children are welcome to come to school dressed in red in support of #RedWednesday. This is the annual global, campaign to raise awareness for those who suffer the human rights violation of religious persecution. You can find out more about #RedWednesday here: <a href="https://acnuk.org/ourcampaigns/redwednesday/">https://acnuk.org/ourcampaigns/redwednesday/</a>

We will have a Zoom assembly using primary based resources, which explains the idea of Red Wednesday being a chance for us to stand up for those who suffer for their faith, just like how we should stand up for each other in school. Staff will add to their prayer tables to create a Red Corner and we will pray together, remembering how fortunate we are to be able to live out our faith.

On Friday it's the PTA Pyjama Day to raise some funds for the school. The fine is £1.

#### **Nativity**

Our Nativity will follow the book Voices at Christmas. It has been decided that Owls and Rabbits will dress up and they will create group 'stills' in church, which will be photographed. The Year 6 class will narrate using voiceovers to each still. Each class will sing a Christmas carol to fit in with the readings. This will be cleverly put together by staff. It will be on our Facebook page and our website for you to view.

Any child in the infants who is unable to be on social media, can be dressed up to disguise their face (e.g. a sheep, donkey, cow) if parents prefer, so that they can take part. In the juniors, children can be placed at the back of the class and hidden or removed. Please would you contact Debbie to let her know what you would prefer if this applies to your child.

Teachers will let Owls and Rabbits' parents and carers know what character their child will be and if they need a costume. We do have a vast number of costumes in school that we can use.

#### **Christmas Lunch**

This year's Christmas lunch will be over three days in the last week of term. This will enable two classes to eat together in the hall at one time; classes will be seated at opposite ends of the hall. On the two days that your child is not eating Christmas lunch, they will need to bring a packed lunch please. Debbie will send more information in due course. Children will be able to wear party clothes.

#### **New parents September 2021**

If you know of any new family looking for a school place for their child next year, please ask them to ring the office for information.

#### **Building Fund**

If you have not yet made your Building fund contribution please can you do so as soon as possible.

### **Emailing Teachers**

If you need to contact teacher please do so by emailing the school office, <a href="mailto:office.3855@st-amands.oxon.sch.uk">office.3855@st-amands.oxon.sch.uk</a> rather than emailing them directly.

Kind regards Mrs H Ellery