



NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th November 2024



Year 6 - RE

This week, Year 6 had a visit from the Stevenage Liberal Synagogue. The children have been learning about Judaism and Mrs Lederman shared her first-hand experiences about some of the religious festivals studied last half term - Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The children had the opportunity to try on items of Jewish clothing and sample challah bread (which they said was delicious!). Year 6 also had the opportunity to ask Mrs Lederman questions about her faith and learnt many interesting facts about Judaism to complement their learning.



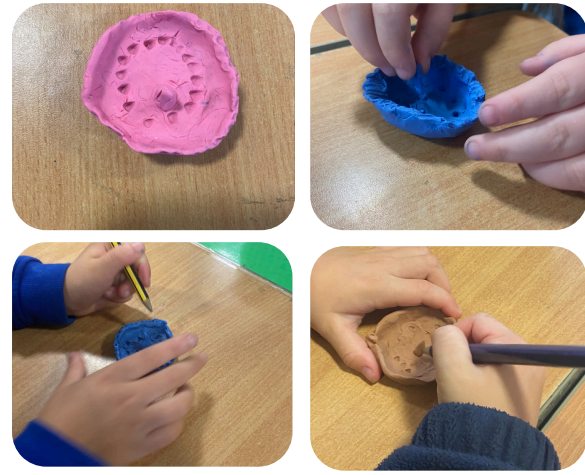
Reception

The children in reception have had a very busy week. They have been practicing their phonics and taking part in a commemorative poppy day cutting challenge. In the hall they have been creating new games that they enjoyed playing with their friends



Year 1 -RE

In Year 1, the children have been learning about the ways that Hindus celebrate Diwali. They have learnt about the story which is associated with this festival of light, where Hindus light candles called diva lamps for good fortune. They then went on to create their own diva lamps.



Early years tours

We still have places available on our early years tours, so if your child is due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2025 then please come along to one of our Early Years tours to find out more about our great school.

Reverse advent on behalf of people for people

We were visited this week by "People for people" who took an assembly about this year's reverse advent. Last year, Martins Wood gave the most donations out of all Stevenage schools and they are hoping that we can emulate that this year. We're hoping to get this up and running soon. It will run for a week and they are looking for people to donate one item a day for 5 days. These items will then be collected and donated to the Stevenage food shed.



Staffing update.

We are sorry to say that we are going to be saying goodbye to Mr Harris at the end of this term who will be taking up a new role at a school nearer to his home. We have also said goodbye to Mr Kenneford who has left us due to personal reasons.

UPCOMING DATES

13th November - Yr 6 Stevenage Synagogue visitor

25th November - Yr 4 HCL Healthy food workshop

25th November - EYFS Tour (2pm)

26th November & 27th November - Flu Vaccinations for whole school

Friday 29th November - School closed

9th December - EYFS Tour (9.30am)

10th December - Early years stay and play

9:15 - 10:15 Nursery Ash + Aspen

10:30 - 11:30 Saplings

2:00 - 3:00 Nursery Oak + Apple

12th December - Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day

16th December -

9:15 - 10:00 KS2 performance 1

10:00 - 10:45 FOMW provide hot drinks and mince pies

10:45 - 11:30 KS1 (Cast A)

1:00 - 1:45 KS1 (Cast B)

1:45 - 2:30 FOMW provide hot drinks and mince pies

2:30 - 3:15pm KS2 performance 2

Friday 20th December - Term ends

Whole school attendance is currently 93.7%

Remember to achieve 100% attendance your child needs to be in school, every day and on time.

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