St. Andrew's C of E Primary Academy

AUTUMN TERM 2026-27 NEWSLETTER ISSUE 8 FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, a group of our Year 6 pupils proudly represented the school at the Axe Minster Remembrance Service. During the service, the children laid a wreath on behalf of the whole school, placed crosses in remembrance and one of our pupils had the honour of reading the closing prayer. Despite the large attendance, they conducted themselves with confidence, respect and maturity, making us all incredibly proud. The children back at school held a two-minute silence as a mark of respect and showed great empathy after learning why it is important to remember the sacrifices of others during times of war and to reflect on the peace we pray for.

Thank you to everyone who generously donated items to the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal. The shoeboxes were wrapped, sorted and then delivered to Kilmington Church on Wednesday, ready to begin their journey overseas to children who may otherwise have little access to basic toys, gifts and essential hygiene items. Your kindness and support will make a real difference to many young lives. Thank you to our older School Council members for wrapping boxes and sorting some of these logistics.

The children ended this week by enjoying a fun non-uniform day on Friday in support of the national fundraising event, Children in Need. It was wonderful to see pupils taking part while helping to raise money for such an important cause.

We are incredibly proud of the children's generosity, empathy and sense of community shown throughout the week. We hope you enjoy the photographs below, which capture some of the many charitable activities our pupils have taken part in recently.









Best wishes,
Mrs Donna Butler (Head of School)

Next Week…
Parents Evening: Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th November (pre-booked time slots)
Immunisations Nasal Flu: Thursday 19th November

Our Core Value this half term is:
Making Good Choices

Autumn 1 Clubs –

Monday – Stay and Play Club (Rec –Y2) Mrs Gilfillan

Monday – Maths Club (Y5 and 6) Mrs Whitehead

Wednesday – Darch Martial Arts (Y1–Y6)

After school childcare is also available Monday – Thursday 3.30–5.30pm

Thought for the Week:



Attendance – last week

Whole School – 91.67%



Classes:
Hedgehogs Class – R
Squirrels Class – Y1/2
Owls Class – Y3/4
Foxes Class – Y5/6