

10th November
2023



St Mary's and St Benedict's RC Primary School

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	Star of the Week	Reader of the Week
Benedict	Nicole and Jaxon	Daksha
Finch	Chloe and Layla	George
Haydock	Joshua and Olly	Casper
Marsden	Lily F and Imogen	Nora
Mary	Hannah and Tommy	Ife
Rigby	Ethan and Athena	Jerahmeel
Southworth	Luca and Noah	Elliot
Ward	Jessica and Lucas	William
Woodcock	Rocco and Scarlett	Liliana



13th – 17th November 2023

World Nursery Rhyme Week – World Nursery Rhyme Week is fast approaching, and we are delighted to confirm Barlow and Beesley classes will be taking part. The initiative, launched in 2013, promotes the importance of nursery rhymes in early childhood development and education with a particular focus on how nursery rhymes boost early language and literacy skills.

Singing nursery rhymes is a wonderful activity you can also enjoy doing together at home. You can access all of the free resources at home by registering at www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com

Poppy Appeal – This week we have been selling poppies and other goods in school in aid of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Please keep all servicemen and women in your thoughts at this time. There will be a special Remembrance Service in church at 10:30am this Sunday 12th November during which our two Head Pupils will lay a wreath in remembrance of those who have lost their lives in service.



Pre-school Feed Our Birds! – The children in pre-school have had a lovely time this week making bird feeders with discarded pumpkins. They then hung them in our Forest School area for the birds to enjoy!



Anti-bullying Week – Next week is Anti-bullying Week and the theme is 'Make a Noise!' You will be able to read all about it in next week's newsletter, but to start the week off we are holding 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 13th November. Children are invited to come to school wearing odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!



Welfare Assistant Vacancy - We have a vacancy for a lunchtime Welfare Assistant 1 day (1.25 hours) per term-time week, with a possibility of extra days. If you are interested, please speak to Mrs Altham in the office.

Healthy Choices – A letter has gone home today to support the work of the NHS in promoting healthy lifestyle choices for our children. In summary, it is a reminder that you send your child to school with a water bottle that only contains water, for juniors who want a mid-morning snack, please supply a 'healthy' choice and we encourage pupils to eat a school dinner or to bring in healthy packed lunches. Thank you for your co-operation.