

## SAUNCEY WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## **Dear Parents and Carers**

It has been a wonderful week of learning and wider curriculum opportunities here at Sauncey Wood. We are continuing to develop our children as leaders and giving them a greater say in how the school is led and improves. Our Prefects have their hoodies and can be seen around the school helping with special projects, showing visitors around the school or managing the resources we have for breaktimes. They will be supporting at Parents' Evening this year, asking for feedback about what parents want from our school and suggestions about how we can improve. Please fill in one of their questionnaires if they ask you! They have asked if they can plan an assembly on how we can care for school resources - this makes me so proud and shows that they are taking their role in school leadership seriously!



Our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors (ABAs) are easily identifiable on the playground with their baseball caps. They support other children on the playground by leading on games and helping to resolve any differences of opinion. They will soon be trained up to deliver anti-bullying lessons to the rest of the school.



Both Year 3 and Year 4 have had trips this week that focussed on their History learning and how it builds year on year. Year 3 visited Celtic Harmony where they learnt about Celtic life in Briton, before the Romans arrived to invade. Year 4 went to Verulamium Museum in St Albans where they learnt about life in Briton for the Celts when the Romans invaded and how Briton and especially our local area was changed as a result.





Year 4 had a great art workshop with Susan Dean on Monday. They worked with pattern and colour and produced some fantastic pieces of artwork!

I looked at learning in Science across the school this week, there are many opportunities for the children to deepen their scientific understanding and plan and carry out their own investigations. I saw children in Year 5 who had planned their investigations on air resistance and recorded their results and drew their conclusions based upon what they had learnt, I saw learning about the human body in different year groups and how their learning deepened each year and I saw many examples of 'sticky' learning, where children were able to draw on what they had previously learnt in science, explain it and then build on it with new learning.

The Friends of Sauncey Wood Halloween Discos are tonight. These events are so much fun for our children and raise much needed funds for the school. We are always on the lookout for help during these events so if you are able to support at future events, please join the FoSW Facebook page or let the office know. We really appreciate the support.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr Brewis Headteacher

Dates for the Diary	
Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Governor Day
Tuesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Girls' Football Match (Home)
Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Flu Vaccinations - Vaccination UK
	nurses on site
Half Term	27 <sup>th</sup> October - 31 <sup>st</sup> October
Wednesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photographs
	(individual and sibling)
Friday, 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Non-uniform Day - wear bright colours
Week beginning Monday, 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-bullying Week
Wednesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Willow Trip to Hazard Alley
Tuesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> November (R, 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6) (3.30 - 7.00 p.m.)	Parents' Evenings
Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> November (R and 1) (3.30 - 4.30 p.m.)	
Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> November (Year 5 only)	
(times TBC)	
Thursday, 27 <sup>th</sup> November	
(Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6)	
(3.30 - 5.00 p.m.)	
Friday, 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Occasional Day (school closed)
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair
	3.15 - 5.15 p.m. (FoSW event)
Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper day for
	Save the Children
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 Nativity
	afternoon performance
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 Nativity
	evening performance
Thursday, 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Christmas afternoon
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Governor Awards
	Break up at 1.30 p.m.



We have a school Amazon wish list <u>Sauncey Wood Amazon Wishlist</u> and we would be most grateful if you are able to purchase something from the list for the school - this gift would be most appreciated.